

**10 Effective Strategies for Research:** *for all levels of family history pursuits at <http://www.kuzmich4.com/Facebook/10%20Effective%20Strategies%20for%20Research.pdf>*

New to family history research? Or perhaps you'd like to make sure you are heading in the right direction. In either case, check out [Ten Effective Strategies on How to Build a Family Trees](http://www.genealogyintime.com/GenealogyResources/Articles/ten_effective_strategies_for_building_a_family_tree_page1.html) at [http://www.genealogyintime.com/GenealogyResources/Articles/ten\\_effective\\_strategies\\_for\\_building\\_a\\_family\\_tree\\_page1.html](http://www.genealogyintime.com/GenealogyResources/Articles/ten_effective_strategies_for_building_a_family_tree_page1.html) by **GenealogyInTime Magazine**. You'll learn about focusing your research efforts, dealing with older documents, handling conflicts in the information you find, and more. You can find additional tips for research strategies in Project 4, [Goal 3](https://www.thefhguide.com/project-4-discover03.html#a) at <https://www.thefhguide.com/project-4-discover03.html#a> ([See all tips](https://www.thefhguide.com/project-4-discover03.html#a) at <https://www.thefhguide.com/tip-of-the-day.html>)



Don't expect to find Elvis or any other famous people in your family tree (and yes, that really is Elvis doing karate).



Not every family tree looks as simple as this one in Lucerne Switzerland.

## Closing Comments

In summary, successful genealogists are ones that go slow, focus their efforts, don't expect to find everything conveniently packaged for them on the internet, question all their sources and keep good records. If you want to be successful in building your family tree, you need to think in these terms. By knowing these attributes before you get started, hopefully you can avoid some of the common mistakes people make when building their family tree.

Genealogy can be a lifetime hobby. It takes only a few weekends to start a family tree. For the dedicated genealogist, it can take months and years of effort to complete. However, in a sense, a family tree is never really finished because it is a living reflection of your family and your family is constantly changing. There is always more to discover. Happy hunting!

Hitting "Brick Walls" in family history can be discouraging. Persistence and fortitude are amazing ingredients for obtaining success. With over 600+ posted "how to", self-paced postings on this Facebook Group, check out the user-friendly table of contents for a multitude of links for your instant perusal at <https://foothills-family-history.org/>. For a glimpse of this table of contents as of September 3, 2020, click here at <https://foothills-family-history.org/node/97>.

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If your family tree starts to look like this then you have probably done something wrong. See our article [Inbreeding of Spanish Hapsburgs](#).



Check old family bibles for handwritten family records.

1706.  
 Bapt: Rowland the Son of John Owen of Bulch y Dafar Labourer, and Mary his Wife, was Baptized the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of July.  
 Bapt: Margaret the Daughter of John Evans Tuller of Cloth of the Parish of Lan Fochell, and Elin his Wife, was Baptized the same said Day.  
 Bur: Thomas Owen Infant was Buried the 6<sup>th</sup> Day of August.  
 Bur: Elizabeth Hughes of Capn dny ffriwd Singlewoman was Buried the 8<sup>th</sup> Day of September.  
 Bapt: Anne the Daughter of Owen Owens of Tancy-Cord Labourer, and Anne his Wife, was Baptized the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of September.

Not all old records are as easy to read as this English baptism record from the 1700s.

