# Need Help? Many Experienced Genealogist Read This Facebook Group: There's Even More Help Available... Read On!

As much as this Facebook group welcomes to learn of your genealogical successes gleaned from postings, it is equally if not more important to learn about your family history needs! There are many followers on this Facebook group who are experts in many areas of family history. If you should have a particular issue that's been troubling you or you need to be redirected on how to find certain information, please voice your needs with a posting and you might have some of your prayers answered sooner than later. For example, there are several ethnic Facebook groups that I belong to in Eastern Europe. If you look at their daily posts cited below, you will note that there are other people looking for similar information that they can't find But also there are other people reading these same posts daily who can sometimes offer hints, tips or tricks of where to look and search for those missing skeletons in your family history tree.

- Lemko Genealogy: <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/2046696855611256/</u>
- Slovak Genealogy: https://www.facebook.com/groups/469941473052446/
- Ruthenian Genealogy: <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/710043202373418/</u>
- Krolik Polski and Krolik Woloski Descendants: <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/461731681041450/</u>

Need more help beyond our Facebook group? Social media offers an infinity of assistance world-wide for nearly every country. Start with this FamilySearch URL below and you will be in shock for what awaits you at: <u>https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/FamilySearch\_Genealogy\_Research\_Groups.</u> I'm not kidding, you will be very surprised.

Here's a short exposé of FamilySearch Genealogy Research Groups located at:

https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/FamilySearch\_Genealogy\_Research\_Groups. There are well over 200 FamilySearch Communities world-wide listed and far more FamilySearch Facebook Groups available as I gave up counting to investigate for "expert" help from others interested in those communities and Facebook groups. Did you know that FamilySearch has been in existence since launching in May 1999 and more than 150 million people have visited FamilySearch.org to learn more about their family heritage? It is one of the most popular genealogical resources in the world, is sponsored by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and is free and available to the general public.

## What are FamilySearch Genealogy Research Groups?

FamilySearch Genealogy Research Groups are resources where individuals can post specific genealogical questions or translation requests regarding a country or region in the world. The community consists of individuals who wish to collaborate and help one another find answers.

- To find a research group, you can go to one of two places: FamilySearch Community: found on the FamilySearch website. You must log in using your FamilySearch account to view and post questions.
- FamilySearch Facebook Groups: found on Facebook and maintained by FamilySearch. You must have a Facebook account to view questions and "join" the group to post questions.

#### **Quick Links**

- Click here for available International Research Groups
- Click here for available North America Research Groups
- Click here for available list of **Specialty** Genealogy Research Groups

#### **International Research Pages and Groups**

### Click on a letter to be directed to 150+ countries in that section of the alphabet: A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

Here's a list of FamilySearch Genealogy Research Groups that I belong that overlap where my ancestors have lived. Never hesitate to clarify what you need help on to solve long-standing family history riddles. Be sure to keep the <u>request simple</u> and <u>concise</u> and believe me, *there are guardian angels out there!* And one of them is now a regular follower of this Facebook group who I never knew before living 2,000 miles away.

- <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/1586240471620043/</u> Eastern European Genealogy Community
- <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/1545466572399947/</u> Southern European Genealogical
- <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/726298684144821/</u> Central European Research Community
- <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/1473896099560205/</u> U.S. Midwest Genealogical Community
- <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/965066490187186/</u> U.S. Northeast Genealogical Community
- <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/855993304493098/</u> Canadian Genealogy Research Community
- https://www.facebook.com/groups/345572125645357/ Northern European Research Community

In the meantime, don't hesitate to go to your stake family history center. My stake's family history center is the Jewell Bldg. Family History Library where you will find experienced stake consultants highly qualified and experienced to assist as well as potentially some of their patrons who may also be guardian angels for you.

Beyond that, NETWORKING is the single most important ingredient in doing original family history research both within your extended family circle and with strangers world-wide via Facebook groups and other social media. Here's my best advice I can share with you.

- 1. Identify the initial step to clarify your need(s),
- 2. Know where to ask for advice and above all,
- 3. ASK, ASK, ASK for assistance!!!! Brother Kuzmich has failed more times in his genealogy efforts than President Abraham Lincoln did in all of his political pursuits. But after 50 years, his genealogical endeavors are noteworthy as his December 8<sup>th</sup> Denver Regional Single Adult Fireside 31+ will be exhibited not based on his intelligence or luck but in his faith in the Lord and in his persistence to learn from his failures much like Thomas Edison in the creation for the light bulb. See his October 27 posting for details or at

http://www.kuzmich4.com/Facebook/Kuzmich%20Fireside.pdf.\_The theme is "Let's Connect Rather Than Evaporate."