

Emigration Applications for Mennonites of the Chortitza Region: 1929

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I (Glenn Penner) came across a photocopy of [emigration applications for the months of January to May 1929](#) in the Mennonite Heritage Archives (Winnipeg). These were obtained in 1996 by the archivist at the time, Lawrence Klippenstein.

Very few of these applications were successful. Some were able to flee at the end of World War II, some, or their children, were able to leave after the fall of the communist state, and a few simply disappeared.

Note that for most applicants, there is a short physical description!

These applications mention additional documents, such as photos and certificates produced by the applicants. It is possible that these are also in the Zaporizhzhia archives.

Summary of Emigration Applications of Mennonites from Chortitza: January – May 1929

No.	Surname, Name Father's name,	Date and place of birth	Last place of residence and profession	Relatives in the USSR	Relatives abroad
1	Bergen , Heinrich Jakob;	1) 11.11.1895, in Schoenhorst.	Farmer in D. Schoenhorst,	1) Father Bergen, Jakob Salomon	1) Brother Bergen, Jakob
2	Wife: Bergen , Elisabeth Heinrich, b. Boldt Children: Heinrich (7); Susanne (5); Elisabeth (4); Jakob (2) and	2) 7.02.1902, in Alexandrovka, Kherson	Ray. Chortitza	and two brothers: Bergen, Abram and Peter. 2) --	J., in Canada since 1925 2) Brother Boldt, Jakob, Heinrich and Peter have lived in Canada since 1925

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	twins Abram and Peter (2 months)				
3 4	Klassen , Gerhard Gerhard Wife: Klassen , Anganeta David, b. Friesen Children: Susanna and Gerhard	3) 27.01.1904 in Blumengart 4) 14.01.1905 in Insel-Chortitza 3.09.1926 19.04.1928	Farmer in D. Blumengart, Ray. Chortitza	3) Father Klassen, Gerhard Heinrich, three sisters and a brother. 4) Sisters Pauls Lisa and Penner Margareta	3) Uncle Penner, Aron A. is 1923 in Canada 4) Uncle Warkentin P.A. in Canada since 1923
5	Harder , Jakob Aron (unmarried)	25.06.1907 in Khotiza	Chortitza	5) Father Harder, Aron Martin Brothers: Abram, Wilhelm and sister: Maria Andres	5) Sister: Katharina with husband Grunau, Johann Kornelius lives in Canada
6 7	Koop , Johann David (unmarried.) Koop , David David (unmarried)	12.04.1910 in Einlage 28.01.1908 in Einlage	Day labourers, Einlage	6-7) Mother: Koop, Anna Peter and two brothers: Peter and Jakob	6-7) Brother Abram and Uncle Koop, Johann Abram since 1923 in Canada
8	Toews , Johann Johann (unmarried)	26.09.1907 in Rosengart	Day labourers in Chortitza	8) Mother Toew, Helene Johann	8) Bergen, Johann Heinrich since 1925 in Canada
9 10	Neufeld , Heinrich Johann Wife: Neufeld , Margarete Martin, b. Bergen Children: Margaret (6) and Aganeta (5)	9) 2.06.1892 in Schoenhorst 10) 26.12.1098 in Schoenhorst	Farmer in Schoenhorst, R. Chortitza	9) Father Neufeld, Johann Peter and two brothers Peter and Jakob in Neuendorf. 10) --	9) Brothers Neufeld, Johann Johann and Letkemann, Peter Johann (stepbrother) since 1923 in Canada 10) --
11 12 13	Dyck , Dietrich Peter Wife: Dyck , Anna Peter, b. Friesen	11) 2.03.1902 in Schoenhorst 12) 2.02.1903 in Tiege, Kherson	Farmer in Schoenhorst, Chortitza Rayon	11) Uncle Peters, Jakob Aron in Schoenhorst 12) Parents: Friesen, Peter	11) Uncle Dyck, Dietrich Peter in Canada since 1890 12) –

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14	Mother: Dyck , Aganeta Jakob, b. Peters (widow)	13) 16.02.1874 in Schoenhorst		Isbrand in Tiege, Kherson	13) --
15	Sisters: Dyck , Katharina Peter; Dyck , Agata (19); Sister: Anganeta (12); Brother: Aron (15)	14) 30.01.1899 in Schoenhorst 15) 16.06.1909		13) Father Peters, Jakob Aron in Schoenhorst	
16	Bergen , Martin	16) 09.08.1900 in Schoenhorst	Farmer in Schoenhorst	16) Parents: Bergen Jakob	Uncle: Bergen
17	Wife: Bergen , Sarah Peter, b. Abrams Children: Katharina (3) and Martin (1)	17) 03.01.1903 in Schoenhorst		Salomon in Schoenhorst 17) Father: Abrams, Peter Heinrich in Schoenhorst	Daniel Martin and Loewen, Heinrich Peter and Aunt: Penner, Katharina Martin in Canada since 1926
18	Rempel , Gerhard Johann (unverh.)	18) 14.02.1912 in N.-Chortitza	Farmers in Nieder- Chortitza	--	19) Daughter with husband: Peters, Jakob Jakob since 1923 in Canada
19	Mother: Rempel , Maria Peter, b. Warkentin ,	19) 22.06.1870 in N.-Chortitza,			
20	Widow Sister: Rempel , Anna Johann (unverh.)	20) 18.03.1909 in N.-Chortitza			
21	Bergen , Peter Martin	21) 01.07.1907 in Schoenhorst	Farmer in Schoenhorst	21) –	21) Uncle: Bergen, Daniel Martin since 1926, Brother- in-law: Bergen, Jakob since 1923 in Canada
22	Wife: Bergen , Susanne Abram, b. Bergen	22) 08.05.1909 in Schoenhorst		22) Parents: Bergen, Abram Elias in Schoenhorst	
23	Thiessen , Nikolai Jakob	23) 19.04.1904 in Zaporozhye	Factory worker in Zaporozh., 1927-28 in alternative service	23) Grandma: Katharina Hamm in Zaporozhye and Aunt Selma Reimer in Sparrau	23) Uncle: Woldemar ... and Aunt Agata Hamm in Canada
24	Wife: Thiessen , Gertruda Paul, b. Utta	24) 26.06.1910 in Dmitrevka, Volhynia			

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				24) Father: Utta, Paul Mikhail in Zaporozhye	24) Uncle: Utta, Ivan Mikhail abroad since 1908
25	Rempel , Jakob Heinrich (unmarried)	26.05.1909 in Pologi, Zaporozhye	with the father	Father: Rempel, Heinrich Heinrich and siblings: Johann, Wilhelm, Susanne and Erna?	Uncle: Rempel, Jakob Heinrich and sister Anna Boldt in Canada since 1923
26	Klassen , Wilhelm Aron (unmarried)	30.09.1907 in Dubowka, D/Sow. Nikolai Pole	Unskilled worker	Siblings: Nina and Peter	Brother David in Canada
27	Mantler , Peter Peter	27) 07.11.1881 in N.-Chortitza	Carpenter in N.-Chortitza	27) Brother: Mantler, Nikolai Peter in N.- Chortitza	28) Brother: Funk, Johann Heinrich since 1904 in Canada
28	Wife: Mantler , Helene Heinrich, b. Funk	28) 03.05.1882 in N.-Chortitza			
29	Son: Mantler , Peter Peter Daughter: Helene	29) 07.03.1908 in N.-Chortitza 02.08.1914			
30	Rempel , Gerhard Gerhard	30) 16.06.1904 in N.-Chortitza	Farmer in N.- Chortitza	31) Brother: Rempel, Peter Peter in N.- Chortitza	30) Brother: Rempel, Peter Gerhard since 1924 in Canada
31	Rempel , Anna Peter, g. Rempel Children: Anna Gerhard	31) 11.10.1905 in N.-Chortitza 24.05.1926 25.05.1928			
32	Pries , Cornelius Peter	32) 29.03.1899 in Zaporozhye	32-33) workers, unmarried, lived in Zaporozhye	Uncle: Pries, Jakob Peter and his children Cornelius and Gerhard in Zaporozhye	Uncle: Pries, Johann Peter and brother: Pries, Peter Gerhard since 1927/28 in Canada
33	Pries , Gerhard Peter	33) 28.04.1903 in Zaporozhye			
34	Cousinn: Pries , Katharina Gerhard	34) 28.02.1903 in Zaporozhye	34-35) livedn with brother Gerhard		
35	Pries , Maria Gerhard	35) 7.08.1911 in Zaporozhye			
36	Janzen , Katharina Peter, née Pries	36) 18.07.1887 in Chortitza	Governess	36) Brother-in- law: Abraham Janzen in Kanzerowka	36) Brother-in- law: Johann Janzen in Canada
37	Janzen , Katharina Peter jr. Children: Peter	37) 30.05.1912 in Zaporozhye 06.11.1914	Worker		

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	Maria	18.10.1920			
38	Sawatzky, Heinrich Johann	38) 12.01.1893 in Gruenfeld, Bez. Kriwoi Rog	Accountant in the "Kommunar" plant in Zaporozhye	--	Brothers: Gerhard and Johann in Canada since 1925
39	Wife: Sawatzky, Anna Peter				
40	Ens, Isaac Jacob (unmarried)	17.04.1907 in Franzfeld	Unskilled worker	Mother: Wiebe, Helena Peter Sisters: Katharina Ens and Anganeta Koslowsky in Franzfeld, Chortitsa Rayon	Brother: Jakob Ens lives in Canada, is a teacher.
41	Thiessen, Franz Franz	17.05.1903 in Konstantinowka, Rayon Bachmut	Agricultural worker, 1927/28 in alternative service	Uncle: Thiessen, Ditrich Dietrich and brothers: Dietrich and David in Einlage. Father dead since 1918.	Mother: Katharina Thiessen and sister: Maria in Canada since 1922.
42	Wife: Thiessen, Anna Jakob, b. Martens Daughter: Susanne (3)	27.12.1905 in Einlage	--	Parents: Jakob Jakob and Susanne Peter and sister: Lisa with Jakob Johann Koslowsky in Einlage	Sister Maria in Canada since 1922
43	Siemens, Jakob Heinrich	42) 15.07.1903 in Franzfeld,	Farmer in Kronsweide, 1927/28 - Substitute service in Trudarmee	43) Parents: Kasper, Peter Fr. and Sarah Peter and siblings: Franz, Peter, Jakob, Heinrich in Hochfeld 42) Brother: John and sisters: Maria and Anna	Uncle: Jakob Penner and David Letkemann have lived in Canada since 1925
44	Wife: Siemens, Sarah Peter, née Kasper Children: Anganeta (2,5) and Erna (1)	43) 19.09.1904 in Hochfeld			
45	Walmann, Paul Andreas	44) 15.10.1901 in Chortitza	Caretaker in the hospital in Khoritsa	44) Parents: Walmann, Andreas Andreas and Maria Herm.	45) Parents: Kotlas, David Franz and Sarah Martin in
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	Walmann, Katharina David, née Podlas	45) 27.01.1902 in Alexandertal, Bez. Melitopol		Sister Maria Hiebert, brothers: Hermann and Peter in Zaporozhye	Canada since 1926.
47	Thiessen, Gerhard Jakob (single)	46) 04.01.1909 in Neuendorf	Day labourer in Neuendorf, R. Chortitza	Uncle: Franz and Kornelius Thiessen in Neuendorf.	Uncle: Peter Ar. Thiessen in Canada since 1923
48	Brother: Thiessen, Jakob Jakob	47) 06.08.1907 in Neuendorf			
49	Loewen, Helene Isaak, b. Tscheter, widow, Children: Isaac (14); Peter (12); Jacob (6); Johann (3); Helene (1)	19.07.1890 in Chernovatayes	Landlady in Neuendorf, R. Chortitza	Sister married Peter Braun, brother Johann Tscheter in Chernovataja	Parents: Isaak Isaak Tscheter in Canada since 1923
50	Neudorf, Peter Peter	49) 25.01.1908 in Chernovata	Day labourers in Neuendorf	--	49)
51	Wife: Neudorf, Maria Johann, b. Hildebrandt	50) 25.10.1908 in Neuendorf		50) Parents and siblings live in Neuendorf: Johann Dietrich Hildebrandt	Grandparents: Bernh. Bernh. Bergen and Uncle Abram Bernh. Bergen in Canada since 1923 50) Aunt: Maria Hildebrandt in Canada since 1914
52	Schoenfeld, Peter Johann	51) 06.12.1900 in Osterwick, R. Chortitza	Farmer in Osterwick, 1920/21 I was in the Red Army, 46 Division	51) Uncle: Friesen, Jakob Peter in Osterwick	51) Sister: Neudorf, Anna Johann since 1923 in Canada
53	Schoenfeld, Katharina Anton, née Funk Children: Peter, born 1.03.1924; Helene, born 3.08.1926; Anton, born 13.10.1928	52) 28.05.1903 in Osterwick		52) Uncle: Funk, Heinrich Anton in Osterwick	52) Sister: Schulz, Maria Anton in Canada since 1927
54	Kasper, Jakob Peter	53) 16.04.1897 in N.-Chortitza	Workers in the Oil Press Chortitza	53) Brother: Daniel and sister:	--
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	Wife: Kasper , Anganeta Kornelius, b. Goerzen Adopted son: Abram Jak. Kasper, born 29.08.1918	54) 18.12.1898 in Schoenwiese		Katharina Rempel in N.-Chortitza 54) Brother Johann Goerzen and sister: Katharina Martens in Zaporozhye	
56 57	Klassen , David Johann Wife: Klassen , Sarah Hermann, b. Hamm	55) 09.03.1899 in Fürstenwer. 56) 20.03.1899 in Lichtenau	Paramedics in "Betanija" later in "Dnieprstoy"	56) Parents: Hamm, Hermann Herm. and Elisabeth Abram and siblings: David, Hermann, Johann, Heinrich Eva and Elisabeth in Lichtenau	56) Brothers: Abram and Nikolai have lived in Canada since 1924 55) Sister Lisa with husband Boschmann, Nikolai Jakob since 1926 in Canada
58	Klassen , Peter Peter (unmarried)	10.05.1909 in Zaporozhye	Pupil	Uncle: Krahn, Bernhard Bern. in Zaporozhye	Klassen, Bernhard Bern. lives in Canada since 1924
59 60 61	Görzen , Johann Kornelius Wife: Görzen , Rosalia Martin, b. Falk Mother: Görzen , Sarah Peter, b. Funk (widow)	57) 25.06.1897 in Schönwiese 58) 28.02.1893 in Chortitza 59) 13.11.1868 in N.-Chortitza	Worker at "Kommunar".	57) Sister: Katharina Martens in Schönwiese 59) Brother Heinrich Funk in Leonidowka.	58) Brother-in- law: Falk, Franz in Canada
62 63	Krause , Heinrich Jakob Wife: Krause , Anna Johann, b. Redekop Children: Jakob Heinrich, Diedrich	60) 21.08.1898 in N.-Chortitza 61) 2.10.1899 in Nieder Chortitza, 4.03.1924; 11.02.1925; 13.01.1929	Workers in the "Kommunar"	61) Sister: Maria and Brothers: Jacob and Peter in N.-Chortitza	60) Father Krause, Jakob Johann and seven siblings have lived in Canada since 1923

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64 65	Neufeld , Isaak Dietrich Wife: Neufeld , Sarah Johann, b. Funk Children: Sarah, Margareta	62) 18.06.1907 in N.-Chortitza 63) 17.05.1906 in N.-Chortitza 06.04.1926 04.03.1928	Unskilled worker and carter, 1920 for 3 months in the Red Army	62) Father: Neufeld, Dietrich Isaak in N.- Chortitza 63) Mother: Funk, Margareta Johann, widow in N.- Chortitza	62) Sister: Margareta has been in Canada since 1923
66 67	Janzen , Peter Kornelius Janzen , Nina Alexander, b. Dubovetsky Children: Twins Tatjana and Irina (5).	64) 22.07.1880 in Moskovka 65) 10.08.1894 in New Odessa, Kherson	64) Lawyer in Zaporozhye 65) Teacher	65) Brother: Dubovetsky, Lexei lives in Chortitza	64) Sister Maria has lived in Canada since 1926; Nephew: Peter Janzen and niece: Anna Sawatzky live in Canada
68	Schmidt , Maria Jakob (unmarried)	23.10.1903. in Franzfeld, unmarried	Employee, currently unemployed in Zaporozhye	Brother: Schmidt, Abram Jakob lives in Zaporozhye	Brother: Schmidt, Jakob Jakob has been in Canada since 1923
69 70	Derksen , Jakob Peter Derksen , Natalia Peter, b. Krutolenkova Daughters: Helena (6), Valentina (4) and son: Peter (1)	67) 27.11.1897, in Neuendorf 68) 13.08.1900, in Zaporozhye	carpenter in Zaporozhye; 1916-1918 substitute service; 1919- 1923 in the Red Army	68) Sister Maiskaja, Alexandra Peter lives in Kharkiv.	67) Father, three sisters and one brother have lived in Canada since 1923.
71 72	Janzen , Kornelius Kornelius Wife: Janzen , Anna Johann, b. Thiessen	69) 13.10.1893, in Zaporozhye 70) 10.05.1897, in Dnepropetr.	Accountant and accountant in Zaporozhye	70) 1st brother: Thiessen Isaak Johann, doctor in Chortitza. Brother 2: Thiessen, Johann Johann, engineer in Dnepropetrovsk, Ul. Sovietskaya, 13.	69) 1st mother: Janzen, Helena since 31.10.1926 2nd brother: Janzen, Peter is since 1.11.1925 3rd brother: Janzen, Heinrich is since 31.10.1926

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					4. Sister: Janzen, Helena is in August 1923 5. Sister: Sawatzky, Anna is since 31.10.1926; all in Canada
73 74	Pauls , Wilhelm Kornelius Wife: Pauls , Katharina Johann, b. Klassen Children: Wilhelm Katharina Juhann Franz	71) 30.09.1892, in Blumengart 72) 5.11.1891, in Blumengart 05.02.1915 01.07.1917 04.04.1923 26.01.1927	Farmer in Blumengart	71) Brother: Pauls, Jakob Kornelius lives in Blumengart 72) Brother: Klassen, David Johann lives in Blumengart.	71) Stepbrother: Wiebe, Johann Johann has lived in Canada, Alberta since 1923.
75 76	Zacharias , Jakob Nikolai Wife: Zacharias , Anna Jakob, b. Janzen Children: Jakob (6) and Helena (2)	73) 7.08.1898, in Blumengart 74) 29.01.1902, in Blumengart	Farmer in Blumengart	73) Brother: Zacharias, Franz Nikolai in Blumengart.	73) Brother-in- law: Wiebe, Johann Johann and my uncle Zacharias, Peter in Canada since 1924. 74) Sister: Wiebe, Katharina Jakob and my aunt Neufeld, Anganeta Kornelius since 1924 in Canada
77 78	Janzen , Kornelius Jakob Wife: Janzen , Helena Abram, b. Janzen Children: Helena (6) and Elsa (3)	75) 15.08.1895 in Blumengart village 76) 22.05.1901 in the village Insel Chortitza	Farmer in Blumengart	--	75) Sister: Wiebe, Katharina Jak. lives in Canada, Aunt: Anganeta Neufeld has lived in Canada since 1924.

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					76) Uncle: Klassen, Abram Johann lives in Canada. Brother-in-law: Wiebe, Johann Johann has lived in Canada since 1924.
79 80	Janzen , Heinrich Jakob Wife: Janzen , Anna Johann, b. Wieler Children: Anna (2) and Irina (2 months)	77) 5.04.1899 in Blumengart 78) 1.09.1906 in Nieder- Chortitza,	farmer in Blumengart; 1923-25 in the Red Army	--	77) Sister: Wiebe, Katharina Jak. lives in Canada 78) Father: Wieler Johann J. since 1928 in Canada 78) Parents: Wieler, John. John. and the mother. Brother: Wieler, J. J. and sisters: Lidia, Lilia, Margareta, Lisa and Irina have lived in Canada since 1928.
81 82 83	Janzen , Franz Jakob Wife: Janzen , Amalia Jakob, b. Isaac . Children: Franz (5); Amalia (7); Heinrich (3); Eduard? (0,5) Mother: Janzen , Agata Kornelius, b. Pauls	80) 10.08.1891 in Blumengart 81) 8.04.1896 in Rayon Chortitza. 82) 11.02.1862 in Kronsweide,	Farmer in Blumengart	81) Brothers: Isaac, Hermann and Heinrich live in Malotivka, Zaporozhye district.	80) Sister: Wiebe, Katharina Jak. in Canada, Aunt: Anganeta Neufeld in Canada since 1924. 81) Brother-in- law: Wiebe, John. John. lives in Canada since 1924/25

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84	Dyck , Peter Jakob (unmarried)	83) 8.05.1908 in Blumengart,	Workers in Blumengart	84) Brothers: Rempel, Peter Peter and Rempel, Gerhard Peter live in Nieder-Chortitza, Rayon Chortitza.	84) Sisters: Penner, Helena Peter. and Janzen, Justina Peter live in Canada, since 1923
85	Mother: Dyck , Anna Peter, b.	84) 14.05.1879 in Nieder			
86	Rempel (widow)	85) 23.07.1903 in Nieder			
87	Sister: Dyck , Justina Jakob (unmarried)	86) 17.07.1904 in Nieder			
88	Sister: Dyck , Maria Jakob (unmarried)	87) 17.05.1912 in Blumengart			
89	Sister: Dyck , Anna Jakob (unmarried)	88) 17.09.1906 in Nieder			
90	Brother: Dyck , Gerhard Jakob (unmarried)	89) 12.05.1910 in Nieder			
	Brother: Johann (14); Sister: Eva (13)	Chortitza			
91	Janzen , Abram Abram (unmarried)	90) 30.03.1908 in Insel- Chortitza	92) Farmer in Chortitza Insel	92) Brother: Klassen, Jakob Hermann in the village of Blumengart. Sister: Neufeld, Anganeta Hermann in Art.	92) Sister: Sawatzky, Sarah Hermann has lived in Canada, Manitoba since 1924.
92	Janzen , Jakob Abram (unmarried)	91) 3.10.1912 in Insel-Chortitza			
93	Mother: Janzen , Katharina Hermann, b. Klassen (widow) Sister: Anganeta (14)	92) 7.10.1878 in Schoeneberg,			
94	Reimer , Hermann Peter (unmarried) Stepfather: Janzen, Abram David and mother died	20.02.1901 in Insel-Chortitza,	farmer in Insel- Chortitza; was with the Red Army as a paramedic until 1923	Uncle: Klassen, Jakob Hermann in Schoeneberg, Rayon Chortitza. Aunt: Neufeld, Anganeta Herm.	Aunt: Sawatzky, Sarah Hermann in Canada since 1924,

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95	Willms , Elisabeth Hermann, b. Neufeld Children: Hermann, Eduard and Elisabeth	1.05.1904 in Osterwick	Live with my brothers in Zaporozhye,	--	--

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