Wendish History by Elsie Penk

This was written as a separate item, probably in preparation for her more formal written record.

"Adam and Ever are the only two people that lived in this world that never had any ancestors. Their children never had a grandmother; they never had a grandfather. Like most parents Adam and Eve must have been busy preparing a home comfortable for them and their children" Elsie then goes on to some length in talking about the struggle between Cain and Able and how this is similar to the struggle today. "As I thing of the reation of man by God, and now thousands of years have passed I find that the people of 1989 A.D. are also not all alike at this time."

"In 1989 we have many ancestor, the bood in our vaisn has been traced to Madai, who was the son of Japhet and grandson of Noah. Yes, I mean Noah that we read about in Genesis in our Bible. The Wends origin have been traced to Madai."

VOIGE TO AMERICA

"By 1867 travel conditions had improved a little. A letter from Rev. Kilian to Rev. Fick, who was getting ready to go to Texas for visitation, gave these explicit directions. From St. Louis you take the boat to New Orleans. From New Orleans you go to Houston, either by boat or by train. From Houston you take the train to Brenham. This is as far as the train runs. At Brenham you call on Mr. Robert Leisewit. If you will give him your name and profession, he will be of service to you. He is a commission merchant. From Brenham you take a stage coach to LaGrange. The stage coach stops at the hotel. There you will take a milkwagon to Serbin, which is 18 miles. From there you come to my house. You will be welcome."

History of Serbin, St. Paul's Lutheran Church by Rev. Bluie, from archives of the Texas District. (from Rev. Socha)