Genealogical Queries
Literature

The Stadig Genealogy is a must item for anyone having roots in Undersäker in Sweden or New Sweden, ME. It is heartily recommended.

— Nils William Olsson


The question which probably pops into the mind of the average SAG reader is what correlation there is between an annual register of Baptist churches and genealogy. A closer look at the volume being reviewed shows that the Asplund Register contains a wealth of material concerning Baptist congregations in the United States, their ministers and their locations, dating back to 1791. John Asplund, who in the preface calls himself a "Sweed," travelled 7,000 miles, mostly on foot during a period of 18 months, visiting no less than 215 Baptist congregations and fifteen associations, ranging all the way from Barnstable, MA to William's Creek in Georgia. In his Register he has entered such pertinent information as the name of the church, the association to which it belongs, the year of organization, the name of the clergyman serving that church, the number of members in the congregation and the date that the survey was made.

John Asplund, this remarkable itinerant Baptist, was born in Sweden, went to sea, came to England, where he served in the British Navy. He came to America, jumped ship and settled in North Carolina, where he joined the Ballard's Bridge Baptist Church in Chowan Co. He soon went to Southampton Co., where he was ordained into the ministry. He traveled extensively to gather information for his book, published sometime between 1791 and 1794. He subsequently went to Maryland, where he drowned in attempting to cross Fishing Creek, VA in 1807.

It can be safely said that no other Swede living in the 18th century in this country travelled more and interviewed more people than Asplund. His book is still a primary source for those who want to know more of the history of the Baptist congregations in the United States as well as the clergy that served them.

The reprint has been handsomely produced and deserves to be in every genealogical library.

— Nils William Olsson

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Queries from subscribers to Swedish American Genealogist will be listed here free of charge on a "space available basis." The editor reserves the right to edit the question to conform to the general format.

Nyberg, Sandgren

Selim E.H. Nyberg, an engineer in Detroit, MI was m. (1936-1950) to Gertrude Sandgren (1914-1967). They res. in Detroit for many years before
moving to Lexington, Sanilac Co., MI. I need to know the dates of his birth and death.

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**Bostrom, Ersson, Johnson**

My husband’s great great grandparents were John E. Boström, b. in Sweden 1820 and Charlotte Mary Ersson, b. in Sweden, also in 1820. Their son Nicholas Emil Boström Johnson (my husband’s great grandfather), was b. in Sweden 27 July 1844. He arr. in America 1870; worked for the Calumet and Hecla Mining Co. in Calumet, MI until his death in 1912. He was m. to Suzanna Gustafva Reisen (or Rasmanen), b. in Norway 30 Nov. 1861, the dau. of Isaac and Lovisa Reisen (or Rasmanen). I need to know the parishes of origin of John E. Boström, Charlotte Mary Ersson and Nicholas Emil Boström Johnson.

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**Knutsdotter**

Information needed on Elna Knutsdotter, b. in Veberöd Parish (Malm.) 17 April 1836. Her mother’s name was Kjerstena Jonsdotter. Elna m. Lars Andersson 20 Sept. 1857 and d. in Höör (Malm.) 4 Oct. 1907.

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**Anderson**

Carl Edvin Person (1873-1964) came from Ransberg Parish (Skar.) and was m. in New Haven, CT 14 Oct. 1905 to Sigrid Amanda Anderson. They had a dau., name unknown, and were later divorced. I need to know more about Sigrid and her dau.

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**Möller, Peterson**

In 1866 two brothers, a sister, as well as a brother-in-law emigr. to America from northwest Småland. Sven Peterson Möller, b. 1842, departed in April; his brother Anders, b. 1846, left in March and their sister, Christina Petersdotter, b. 1827, left in May with her husband Johannes Peterson, b. 1818. Where did they settle upon arrival in the U.S.? Some of the relatives had gone to Michigan and
Illinois. Did they also locate in the same areas?
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Olson, Johnson
I would appreciate any ideas of how to locate the parishes of birth for my
great grandfather, Swann W. Olson, b. in Sweden 13 March 1847, d. in
Humboldt, KS 16 Jan. 1917 and my great grandmother, Christine Johnson, b. in
Sweden 25 Feb. 1843, d. in Humboldt, KS 11 Jan. 1911. Both emigr. in 1871,
first to Minnesota and in 1876 to Kansas.
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Nyberg
Carl Gustaf Nyberg, b. in Ekebyborna Parish (Ög.) 20 April 1825, emigr. to
America 1864 and d. 30 July 1882, probably in the Middle West. He was a
blacksmith. His eldest s., Carl (Charley) Fredrik Reinhold Nyberg, b. in Motala
4 Oct. 1855, became a sailor, who left Sweden ca. 1885 and was never heard from
again. What happened to him?
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Emanuelson, Tärn
My grandfather, Per Emanuelson (1848-1877), b. in Hagebyhoga Parish
(Ög.), was the only s. of Emanuel Gabrielson (1820-1877) and Anna Elizabeth
Israelsdotter (1825- ). He had six sisters, Maria, b. 1850; Emma, b. 1852;
Anna Lovisa, b. 1854; Amanda Carolina, b. 1857; and twins Clara and Augusta,
b. 1861. My grandfather emigr. from Sweden 1877 without taking out an exit
permit.

His wife, Anna Mathilda Tärn (1841-1912), was m. 30 Dec. 1870 and was
the seventh child of Carl Carlsson Tärn (1801-1876) and Stina Beata
Andersdotter (1802-1877). Their children were Stina Maria, Johanna Carolina,
Chariotta, Gustavus, Carl Gustaf, Amalia and Carl Fredrik. I am looking for
descendants of these two families who lived in Hagebyhoga, Vadstena and
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