

# **INVENTORY OF THE BAPTIST JUBILEE ADVANCE COLLECTION**

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**1964 Baptist Jubilee Advance Joint Committee**

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### **Summary**

Main Entry: Baptist Jubilee Advance Collection

Date Span: 1955 – 1965

Abstract: The Baptist Jubilee Advance was a movement from 1959 – 1964 to celebrate the sesquicentennial of the Triennial Convention, which was the first organized Baptist denomination in the United States. Seven North American Baptist entities participated in the Baptist Jubilee Advance: American Baptist Convention, Baptist Federation of Canada, Baptist General Conference, National Baptist Convention of America, National Baptist Convention U.S.A., Inc., North American Baptist General Conference, and Southern Baptist Convention. The Baptist Jubilee Celebration was held in May, 1964 in Atlantic City, New Jersey. The collection includes correspondence related to the work of the planning committee, publications, publicity, addresses, minutes, and various committee files.

Size: 7 linear ft.

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### **Biographical Sketch**

The Baptist Jubilee Advance was a movement from 1959 – 1964 to celebrate the sesquicentennial of the Triennial Convention, which was the first organized Baptist denomination in the United States. Founded in 1814 as the General Missionary Convention of the Baptist Denomination in the United States of America for Foreign Missions in Philadelphia, the Triennial Convention met every three years. Northern Baptists separated in 1843 to form a mission society in opposition to slavery, and their pro-slavery southern counterparts merged the American Baptist Home Mission Society and the American Baptist Publication Society to form the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) in 1845.

In 1951, Porter Routh initiated a movement to celebrate the Third Jubilee, or sesquicentennial of the Triennial Convention, and the Baptist Joint Committee for Baptist Jubilee Advance, formed in April 1956. Seven North American Baptist entities participated in the Baptist Jubilee Advance: American Baptist Convention, Baptist Federation of Canada, Baptist General Conference, National Baptist Convention – America, National Baptist Convention – U.S.A., Inc., North American Baptist General Conference, and Southern Baptist Convention. Each year had an emphasis and theme: 1959: “Cooperative Christianity” and “New Life for You,” 1960: “Bible Teaching and Training” and “Unto a Full-Grown Christian,” 1961: “Stewardship & Enlistment” and “I

Will Be Faithful,” 1962: “Church Extension” and “My Church Reaching Out,” 1963: “World Missions” and “Sharing Christ with the Whole World,” and 1964: the theme was “For Liberty and Light.”

Theodore F. Adams, past-president of the Baptist World Alliance, presided over the Baptist Jubilee Celebration in May, 1964 in Atlantic City. Speakers during the event included Edwin F. Tuller, John C. Diefenbaker, Lyndon B. Johnson, Kenneth Scott Latourette, and Joao Soren. Billy Graham delivered the closing message.

### **Scope and Content Note**

The Baptist Jubilee Advance Collection (1955 – 1965) contains seven linear feet of materials in fourteen document boxes. The Collection deals with the Southern Baptist Convention’s role in the organization and planning of the Baptist Jubilee Advance from 1959 – 1964 that culminated in the Baptist Jubilee Celebration held May, 1964 in Atlantic City, New Jersey. In 1965, files from the offices of W. C. Fields, Albert McClellan, Porter Routh, C. C. Warren, and Davis C. Woolley were transferred to the Historical Commission to form the collection, with some other items added later. Materials are arranged by committee, alphabetically and then chronologically, and include addresses, articles, clippings, correspondence, manuscripts, minutes, pamphlets, programs, and reports.

Both joint and convention-specific committees coordinated the Baptist Jubilee Advance movement, and their papers form the majority of the collection. An organization chart explaining the Southern Baptist Convention committees created for the Baptist Jubilee Advance is included in the collection. Roland Q. Leavell, Albert McClellan, Porter Routh, Leonard Sanderson, C. C. Warren, and J. Howard Williams, served as the Southern Baptist Convention’s representatives on the Joint Committee for the BJA. Correspondence includes prominent Baptist leaders such as Baker J. Cauthen, Norman W. Cox, W. C. Fields, L. O. Griffith, Alma Hunt, W. L. Howse, Albert McClellan, Mrs. R. L. Mathis, Porter Routh, Courts Redford, Arthur B. Rutledge, James L. Sullivan, C. C. Warren, and Davis C. Woolley. The collection includes addresses, articles, clippings, correspondence, manuscripts, minutes, pamphlets, programs, and committee files, and reports.

### **Arrangement**

Arranged by committee alphabetically by folder title, then chronologically

### **Provenance**

Donated by Porter Routh, 1968.

### **Preferred Citation**

Baptist Jubilee Advance Collection, Southern Baptist historical Library and Archives, Nashville, Tennessee.

### **Access Restrictions**

None

**Subject Terms**

Leavell, Frank Hartwell, 1884 – 1949  
 McClellan, Albert, 1912 – 2004  
 Routh, Porter Wroe, 1911 – 1987  
 Fields, Wilmer Clemont, 1922 –  
 Graham, Billy, 1918 –  
 American Baptist Convention  
 Baptist Federation of Canada  
 Baptist General Conference  
 National Baptist Convention of America  
 National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.  
 North American Baptist General Conference  
 Southern Baptist Convention

**Related Materials****Container Listings****Box 1**

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- 3.1 Address – McClellan, Albert – “For Liberty and Life,” 1963
- 3.2 Address – Woolley, Davis C. – “The Triennial Convention: Some of It’s Antecedents & Plan of Organization,” 1962
- 3.3 Articles – 30,000 Movement, 1956 – 1962
- 3.4 Articles – 30,000 Movement, 1963 – 1964
- 3.5 Baptist Joint Committee, 1955 – 1956
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- 3.7 Baptist Joint Committee, 1959 – 1960
- 3.8 Baptist Joint Committee, 1961 – 1962
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- 5.1 Baptist Jubilee Advance Program – Atlantic City, New Jersey, May 22 – 24, 1964
- 5.2 Baptist Jubilee Advance Publicity
- 5.3 Bibliography – *Baptist Advance*
- 5.4 Bylaws of the North American Fellowship of the Baptist World Alliance
- 5.5 Church Extension Emphasis, 1962
- 5.6 Committee on Baptist Ideals, 1960 – 1963
- 5.7 Committee on Baptist Jubilee Advance, 1955 – 1956
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- 6.1 Committee on Baptist Jubilee Advance, 1959
- 6.2 Correspondence – Baker, Robert A. (*Baptist Advance*), 1961 – 1963
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- 10.1 Minutes of the Baptist Jubilee Advance Committees, 1963
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- 10.3 Minutes of the Joint Committee on the Baptist Jubilee Advance, 1955

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- 10.6 Miscellaneous – *Baptist Advance* – Other Baptist Bodies
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- 14.5 Southern Baptist Convention Brotherhood Leadership Meeting, 1962
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- 14.7 Warren, C. C. – *Glimpses of Glory*, 1961