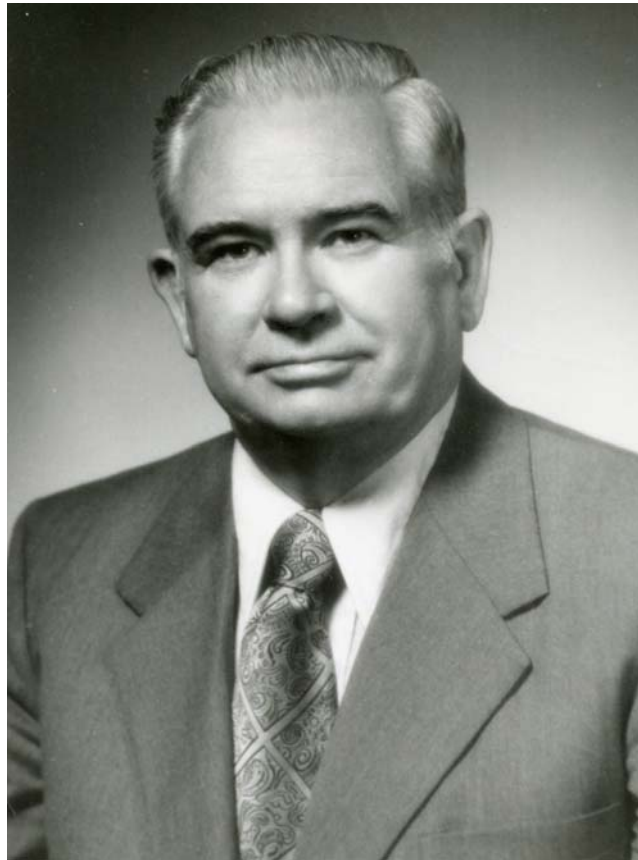


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## **Summary**

Main Entry: Dale Moody Collection

Date Span: 1961 – 1983

Abstract: Collection consists of photocopies of documents, letters, clippings, articles, and resolutions related to the doctrinal controversy of apostasy involving Dr. Dale Moody, theology professor at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Size: 55 items

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## **Biographical Sketch**

Dale Moody was born January 27, 1917 in Stamford, Texas. He graduated from Baylor University, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and completed his Th.D in 1947. Moody was ordained as a Baptist minister in 1932 and was pastor of several churches in Texas, Indiana, and Kentucky. He taught at Southern Seminary from 1945 until his resignation in 1983.

Dr. Moody's resignation was related to his beliefs on the doctrine of "apostasy" and his disagreement with the principles of Southern Seminary. It was also related to the fundamentalist movement in the convention which spurred the controversy.

## **Scope and Content Note**

The Dale Moody Collections consist of copies of documents (letters, clippings, articles, and resolutions) related to the doctrinal controversy involving Dr. Moody. The controversy ended with his resignation as professor of Christian Theology at Southern Seminary in 1983. The correspondence includes letters from Moody to the president of Southern Seminary and other seminary administrators. The clippings consist primarily of articles in Baptist state newspapers and of Baptist Press news releases. Also included is the president's report to the seminary's trustees on the Moody situation and Moody's guide to the apostasy controversy. Also included are portions of the 1978 dissertation by Clark Youngblood entitled, "The Question of Apostasy in Southern Baptist Thought since 1900: A Critical Evaluation."

The collection spans the years 1961 to 1983, with most of the material from 1982.

## **Arrangement**

Arranged alphabetically, with correspondence chronological

**Provenance**

Gathered by Albert McClellan and donated to the Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives

**Preferred Citation**

Dale Moody Collection, Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives, Nashville, Tennessee

**Access Restrictions**

None

**Subject Terms**

Moody, Dale, 1915 – 1992

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Baptists – Doctrines

Apostasy – Baptists

Salvation

**Related Material**

Moody, Dale. *Apostasy : a study in the Epistle to the Hebrews and in Baptist history*. Greenville, S.C. : Smyth & Helwys, c1991.

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**Container List****Folder 1**

- 1.1 Articles on Apostasy – “Salvation and Apostasy” and “Apostasy as Willful Sin.”
- 1.2 Clippings and Baptist Press news releases – Moody
- 1.3 Correspondence, 1961 – 1963
- 1.4 Correspondence, 1980 – 1981 – Moody/Duke McCall, David Miller/McCall
- 1.5 Correspondence, 1982 – Mainly Roy Honeycutt/Dale Moody letters
- 1.6 Correspondence, 1983
- 1.7 “Guide to My Controversy over the Biblical Teachings of Apostasy” – Moody
- 1.8 Report to officers of the board of trustees (SBTS) with reference to Dale Moody
- 1.9 Resolutions for Moody’s dismissal
- 1.10 Youngblood, Clark Richard – dissertation, “The Question of Apostasy in Southern Baptist Thought since 1900: A Critical Evaluation,” 1978