

**CHARLES STANLEY**

**PAPERS**

**AR 666**



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### Summary

Main Entry: Charles Stanley Papers

Date Span: 1984 – 1986

Abstract: Charles F. Stanley – Southern Baptist minister and President of the Southern Baptist Convention from 1984 – 1986. Papers contain primarily correspondence, with some subject files, while Charles Stanley was president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Size: 3 linear ft.

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### Biographical Sketch

Born: Danville, Virginia, September 25, 1932

Education: University of Richmond, B. A., 1954  
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Th. M., 1957  
Luther Rice Theological Seminary, Jacksonville, Florida Th. D., 1971.

Experience: Pastor, First Baptist Church, Fruitland, N.C.  
Professor, Fruitland Bible Institute  
Pastor, First Baptist Church, Fairborn, Ohio  
Pastor, First Baptist Church, Miami, FL  
Pastor and Principal, George Mueller Christian School, Miami  
Pastor, First Baptist Church Bartow, FL

Current position: Pastor, First Baptist Church, Atlanta, GA

Publications: The Walk of Faith, 1979  
Reaching Your Goals, 1980  
Stand Up, America, 1980  
A Man s Touch, 1977  
Handle With Prayer, 1982

Awards, offices, honors:

President, Southern Baptist Convention, 1984 – 86.  
Board of Directors, National Religious Broadcasters, 1982 –  
Recipient of George Washington Honor Medal Freedoms Foundation, 1980.

**Scope and Content Note**

The Charles Stanley Papers are related to his presidency of the Southern Baptist Convention, 1984 to 1986. The collection includes about 3 linear feet of material. The papers are almost exclusively correspondence, with a few subject files related to various topics.

The papers have been divided into four series.

**A. Correspondence (Concerns) Box 1, 1 – 81**

In-coming correspondence with Stanley response. Divided into subject areas and arranged in alphabetical order. Significant files concern abortion, Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, controversy within the Convention, Baptist agencies, and women's ordination.

**B. Subject Files Box 1, 82 – 89**

Arranged alphabetically by subject.

**C. Congratulations Correspondence Box 2, 1 – 22**

Grouped and arranged alphabetically. Correspondence congratulating Stanley on his election and re-election as president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

**D. Encouragement Correspondence Box 2, 23 – 30, Box 3**

Grouped and arranged in alphabetical order. Correspondence encouraging Stanley on his role as president of the Convention.

**Arrangement**

Divided into four series and arranged alphabetically by subject or correspondent

**Provenance**

Donated by Charles Stanley, 1986.

**Preferred Citation**

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**Access Restrictions**

None

**Subject Terms**

Southern Baptist Convention  
Baptist joint Committee on Public Affairs  
Ordination of women  
Abortion – Religious aspects  
Stanley, Charles

**Related Materials**

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## Container List

### Box 1

#### A. Correspondence Files (Concerns)

- 1.1 Correspondence – Abortion, 1984 – 86
- 1.2 Correspondence – Adopt -A- Mission
- 1.3 Correspondence – Adoption of Children, 1984 – 85
- 1.4 Correspondence – AIDS
- 1.5 Correspondence – Alcohol
- 1.6 Correspondence – American Coalition on Traditional Values (ACTV)
- 1.7 Correspondence – Annuity Board
- 1.8 Correspondence – Concerning Baptist Book Store
- 1.9 Correspondence – Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs
- 1.10 Correspondence – China Trip, 1985
- 1.11 Correspondence – Christian Broadcasting Network, Inc.
- 1.12 Correspondence – Christian Life Commission
- 1.13 Correspondence – Church Study Course, 1985 – 86
- 1.14 Correspondence – Colleges
- 1.15 Correspondence – Committee on Committees
- 1.16 Correspondence – Controversy with the SBC, 1984 – 85 (1 of 2)
- 1.17 Correspondence – Controversy with the SBC, 1984 – 85 (2 of 2)
- 1.18 Correspondence, 1985 – 86
- 1.19 Correspondence – Cooperative Program, 1984 – 85
- 1.20 Correspondence, 1985 – 86
- 1.21 Correspondence – Creationists
- 1.22 Correspondence – Deacons, 1984 – 85
- 1.23 Correspondence – Divorce, 1985 – 86
- 1.24 Correspondence – Phil Donohue Program – Ken Chafin
- 1.25 Correspondence – Ethnic Groups
- 1.26 Correspondence – Euthanasia
- 1.27 Correspondence – Foreign Mission Board 1985-86
- 1.28 Correspondence – Freedom Fighters of Nicaragua 1985-86
- 1.29 Correspondence – Garden of Gethsemane Interpretation 1985
- 1.30 Correspondence – Health and Life Insurance Program
- 1.31 Correspondence – Home Mission Board
- 1.32 Correspondence – Homeless, The 1985 – 86
- 1.33 Correspondence – Hospital (proposed), Guiling City, Guanxi, Providence, China, 1986
- 1.34 Correspondence – Inerrancy
- 1.35 Correspondence – Jails and Prisons, 1985 – 86
- 1.36 Correspondence – Jews, 1986
- 1.37 Correspondence – Liberalism
- 1.38 Correspondence – Lottie Moon and Annie Armstrong Offering
- 1.39 Correspondence – Masons
- 1.40 Correspondence – Minister's Wives

- 1.41 Correspondence – Miscellaneous, 1984 – 85 (1 of 5)
- 1.42 Correspondence – (2 of 5)
- 1.43 Correspondence – Concerns (3 of 5)
- 1.44 Correspondence – (4 of 5)
- 1.45 Correspondence, 1984 – 85 (5 of 5)
- 1.46 Correspondence – SBC Missionaries in Uruguay
- 1.47 Correspondence – Name Change – SBC
- 1.48 Correspondence – National Council of Churches
- 1.49 Correspondence – National Defense
- 1.50 Correspondence – New England Fellowship of Evangelicals, Inc., 1985
- 1.51 Correspondence – Parking Problems at Southern Seminary
- 1.52 Correspondence – Patterson, Paige, 1985 – 86
- 1.53 Correspondence – Peace Committee
- 1.54 Correspondence – Pledge to Christian Flag
- 1.55 Correspondence – Political Right
- 1.56 Correspondence – Pornography
- 1.57 Correspondence – Prayer, 1985 – 86
- 1.58 Correspondence – Priesthood of the Believer
- 1.59 Correspondence – Radio & Television Commission
- 1.60 Correspondence – Recognition from SBC President
- 1.61 Correspondence – Reelection of Dr. Charles Stanley
- 1.62 Correspondence – Religious Freedom, 1985 – 86
- 1.63 Correspondence – Ridgecrest N. C. & Glorieta, N. Mexico, 1985 – 86
- 1.64 Correspondence – Scientific Data
- 1.65 Correspondence – Seminaries
- 1.66 Correspondence – Seminole Indian Support
- 1.67 Correspondence – Smith, Ralph 25th Anniversary at Hyde Park B. C. Austin, TX
- 1.68 Correspondence – SBC, 1985
- 1.69 Correspondence, 1986
- 1.70 Correspondence – Special Occasions
- 1.71 Correspondence – Stanley, Charles – Invitations, 1985
- 1.72 Correspondence – Sunday School Board, 1984 – 85
- 1.73 Correspondence, 1985 – 86
- 1.74 Correspondence – Television Programs
- 1.75 Correspondence – Tobacco
- 1.76 Correspondence – Tobacco Lobby
- 1.77 Correspondence – U.S. Press Newspaper
- 1.78 Correspondence – Vatican Ambassador
- 1.79 Correspondence – Woman's Ordination, 1984 – 85
- 1.80 Correspondence – Woman's Ordination, 1985 – 86
- 1.81 Correspondence – Wycliffe Bible Translators

## **B. Subject Files**

- 1.82 Baptist Sunday School Board Retirement Trust Fund
- 1.83 Bible Lands Museum

- 1.84 Christian Index – Interview with Dr. Charles Stanley, June 27, 1984
- 1.85 Honeycutt, Dr. Roy L. – (Newspaper article)
- 1.86 Lord, Dr. Jack – “A Simplified Guide to Theological Positions in SBC”
- 1.87 Sodergren, Kenneth W. – Prayer for Spiritual Awakening Seminars
- 1.88 Start-A-Church
- 1.89 Witness – “The Restoration of America” article

## **Box 2**

### **C. Congratulations**

- 2.1 Congratulations A
- 2.2 Congratulations B (1)
- 2.3 Congratulations B (2)
- 2.4 Congratulations C (1)
- 2.5 Congratulations C (2)
- 2.6 Congratulations D
- 2.7 Congratulations E
- 2.8 Congratulations F
- 2.9 Congratulations G
- 2.10 Congratulations H
- 2.11 Congratulations I
- 2.12 Congratulations J
- 2.13 Congratulations K
- 2.14 Congratulations L
- 2.15 Congratulations M
- 2.16 Congratulations N-O
- 2.17 Congratulations P-Q
- 2.18 Congratulations R
- 2.19 Congratulations S
- 2.20 Congratulations T-U-V
- 2.21 Congratulations W
- 2.22 Congratulations X-Y-Z

### **D. Encouragements**

- 2.23 Encouragements A
- 2.24 Encouragements B
- 2.25 Encouragements C
- 2.26 Encouragements D
- 2.27 Encouragements E
- 2.28 Encouragements F-G
- 2.29 Encouragements H
- 2.30 Encouragements I-J

## **Box 3**

### **D. Encouragements**

- 3.1 Encouragements K-L
- 3.2 Encouragements M
- 3.3 Encouragements N-O
- 3.4 Encouragements P
- 3.5 Encouragements Q-R
- 3.6 Encouragements S
- 3.7 Encouragements T-U-V
- 3.8 Encouragements W
- 3.9 Encouragements X-Y-Z