

# Association of Librarians and Archivists at Baptist Institutions Collection

## AR 865



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### Summary

Main Entry: Association of Librarians and Archivists at Baptist Institutions (ALABI) Collection

Date Span: 1979-2012

Abstract: Collection includes files documenting the history and activities of the Association of Librarians and Archivists at Baptist Institutions, a professional organization for librarians and archivists employed at Baptist agencies and historical societies, state conventions, and Baptist colleges and seminaries. Includes annual meeting materials

Size: 2.5 linear ft.

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### Historical Sketch

The organization known today as the Association of Librarians and Archivists at Baptist Institutions formed in April, 1979, as the Baptist Agency Librarians' Association, a name the association held until 1985. The purpose of the group was to provide Baptist librarians and archivists with an opportunity to meet annually for fellowship and to exchange ideas about projects and issues particular to their institutions. Because many of the group's members also attended the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Historical Commission, the group traditionally held its annual meetings in the same cities and around the same time as the Historical Commission annual meetings. For one year, 1986, the group was known as the Southern Baptist Library Fellowship, but for most of its history it was called the Southern Baptist Library Association, 1987-2005. A reorganization in 2005 and commitment to expand the organization's purpose beyond Southern Baptist circles resulted in a name change to the Association of Librarians and Archivists at Baptist Institutions.

### Scope and Content Note

The Association of Librarians and Archivists at Baptist Institutions (ALABI) Collection consists of 2.5 linear feet of material (85 folders in five document boxes) documenting the annual meetings and business activities of the ALABI. The collection mainly includes annual meeting files, financial reports, membership directories, and newsletters which relay the discussions and

activities of the association. The annual meeting folders, available for every year of the association's history beginning in 1979, contain varied materials including programs, lists of meeting attendees, minutes of periodic officers' meeting during the year, and correspondence related to the planning of the annual meetings. Other significant files include materials on revisions to the organization's constitution, cooperative group projects, and historical information about the association.

Additions to the collection are expected.

### **Arrangement**

The collection is arranged in alphabetical order by folder title.

### **Provenance**

Donated by the Association of Librarians and Archivists at Baptist Institutions, 2012.

### **Preferred Citation**

Association of Librarians and Archivists at Baptist Institutions (ALABI) Collection, Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives, Nashville, Tennessee

### **Access Restrictions**

None

### **Subject Terms**

Archives – Societies, etc.

Association of Librarians and Archivists at Baptist Institutions (ALABI)

Libraries, Special Collections

Southern Baptist Library Association (SBLA)

### **Related Materials**

SBLA Newsletter (SBHLA Serials Collection)

### **Container List**

#### Box 1

- 1.1 Ad Hoc Committee on Vision and Purpose of the Southern Baptist Library Association, 2004-2005
- 1.2 Annual Meeting (Baptist Agency Librarians Association [BALA]), 1979
- 1.3 Annual Meeting (BALA), 1980
- 1.4 Annual Meeting (BALA), 1981
- 1.5 Annual Meeting (BALA), 1982
- 1.6 Annual Meeting (BALA), 1983
- 1.7 Annual Meeting (BALA), 1984
- 1.8 Annual Meeting (BALA), 1985
- 1.9 Annual Meeting (Southern Baptist Library Fellowship [SBLF]), 1986
- 1.10 Annual Meeting (Southern Baptist Library Association [SBLA]), 1987
- 1.11 Annual Meeting (SBLA), 1988

- 1.12 Annual Meeting (SBLA), 1989
- 1.13 Annual Meeting (SBLA), 1990
- 1.14 Annual Meeting (SBLA), 1991
- 1.15 Annual Meeting (SBLA), 1992
- 1.16 Annual Meeting (SBLA), 1993
- 1.17 Annual Meeting (SBLA), 1994
- 1.18 Annual Meeting (SBLA), 1995

#### Box 2

- 2.1 Annual Meeting (SBLA), 1996
- 2.2 Annual Meeting (SBLA), 1997
- 2.3 Annual Meeting (SBLA), 1998
- 2.4 Annual Meeting (SBLA), 1999
- 2.5 Annual Meeting (SBLA), 2000
- 2.6 Annual Meeting (SBLA), 2001
- 2.7 Annual Meeting (SBLA), 2002
- 2.8 Annual Meeting (SBLA), 2003
- 2.9 Annual Meeting (SBLA), 2004
- 2.10 Annual Meeting (SBLA), 2005
- 2.11 Annual Meeting (Association of Librarians and Archivists at Baptist Institutions [ALABI]), 2006
- 2.12 Annual Meeting (ALABI), 2007
- 2.13 Annual Meeting (ALABI), 2008
- 2.14 Annual Meeting (ALABI), 2009
- 2.15 Annual Meeting (ALABI), 2010
- 2.16 Annual Meeting (ALABI), 2011
- 2.17 Annual Meeting (ALABI), 2012
- 2.18 Agencies with SBLA Members, 1988
- 2.19 Baptist Digital Library Task Force, 2010-2012
- 2.20 Baptist Educational Media Cooperative, 1988-1989
- 2.21 Charter Members
- 2.22 Constitution and Bylaws, 1987
- 2.23 Constitution and Bylaws, 1989
- 2.24 Constitution and Bylaws, 1994
- 2.25 Constitution and Bylaws, 1997
- 2.26 Constitution and Bylaws, 2005
- 2.27 Constitution and Bylaws, 2005 (Revised)

#### Box 3

- 3.1 Financial Reports, 1992-1997
- 3.2 Financial Reports, 2000-2012
- 3.3 Guide to Program Production (Proposal), 1994
- 3.4 History
- 3.5 Membership Directory, 1980
- 3.6 Membership Directory, 1984
- 3.7 Membership Directory, 1985

- 3.8 Membership Directory, 1986
- 3.9 Membership Directory, 1987
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- 3.16 Membership Directory, 1994
- 3.17 Membership Directory, 1995
- 3.18 Membership Directory, 1996
- 3.19 Membership Directory, 1998
- 3.20 Membership Directory, 1999

#### Box 4

- 4.1 Membership Directory, 2000
- 4.2 Membership Directory, 2002
- 4.3 Membership Directory, 2004
- 4.4 Membership Directory, 2005
- 4.5 Membership Directory, 2006
- 4.6 Membership Directory, 2007
- 4.7 Membership Directory, 2008
- 4.8 Membership Directory, 2012
- 4.9 Membership Forms (ALABI)
- 4.10 Membership Reviews, 1987-1994
- 4.11 Newsletters, 1987-1989
- 4.12 Newsletters, 1990-1992
- 4.13 Newsletters, 1993-1996
- 4.14 Newsletters, 1997-1999
- 4.15 Newsletters, 2001-2006
- 4.16 Officers' Manual, 1994

#### Box 5

- 5.1 Questionnaire, 1986 (Folder 1 of 2)
- 5.2 Questionnaire, 1986 (Folder 2 of 2)
- 5.3 Rationale for SBLA Name Change and Reorganization, 2005
- 5.4 Tax-Exempt Status, 1993