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Summary

Main Entry: M.C. Johnson Collection

Date Span: 1968-2010.

Abstract: The M.C. Johnson Collection consists mainly of photographs. The collection visually tells the story of the work of Johnson and the North Delta Baptist Association with African American Baptist churches in Mississippi. The collection also includes ten sermon outlines by Johnson.

Size: 1 linear ft. (2 document boxes)

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Biographical Sketch

M.C. Johnson served as a Southern Baptist pastor to churches in Texas, Alabama, Louisiana, Maryland, and Mississippi from 1952 to 1977. In 1977 he was named Director of Missions for the Holmes, Leflore, and Humphreys Baptist Associations in Mississippi. In 1984, he assumed the position of Director of Missions for the North Delta Baptist Association in Mississippi. He held that position until his retirement in 2011. Johnson passed away on November 1, 2012.

Johnson was born in Grant, Louisiana on September 6, 1927. He received his B.S. degree from Dallas Bible College and attended New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. He took additional classes at Gadsden State College and Jacksonville State University. He married his wife, Helen, in 1951.

During his leadership of the North Delta Baptist Association, Johnson expanded the association to include seven African American churches and installed the first African American moderator of a Southern Baptist related association in Mississippi. He led the association in the development of a large Ministry Center providing clothing, food, furniture for burnouts, weatherization and counseling services for disadvantages people in the local area. Many years the center ministered to over 5,000 families.

See biographical folder in collection for additional information.

Scope and Content Note

The M.C. Johnson Collection consists mainly of photographs. The collection visually tells the story of the work of Johnson and the North Delta Baptist Association with African American

Baptist churches in Mississippi. The collection includes numerous photographs illustrating the work of mission teams and associational workers involved in summer camps, vacation Bible schools, construction projects, health clinics, and other services primarily to African American churches and community. Also included in the collection are ten outlines of sermons he preached at various churches over a wide span of years.

Arrangement

The collection is arranged in alphabetical order by folder title.

Provenance

Donated by Helen Johnson, 2014.

Preferred Citation

M.C. Johnson Collection, Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives, Nashville, Tennessee.

Access Restrictions

None

Subject Terms

Johnson, M. C.

North Delta Baptist Association (Mississippi)

African American Baptists - Mississippi

Baptists – Mississippi

Baptists – Sermons – 20th century

Container List

Box 1

- 1.1 Barnes, Brady, Pastor- Pleasant Grove Baptist Church – with J.C. Scott, M.C. Johnson, Robert Lenair
- 1.2 Basketball Camps, 2004
- 1.3 Friendship Baptist Church, Boiling Springs, S.C., (Mission Team), 2006
Cecil Ringer, Organist (led youth choir to present musicals in 5 different churches)
- 1.4 Brown, Limon – New Fellowship Church, Pastor
- 1.5 Carter, Ricky – St. Paul’s Baptist Church (Gunnison, MS), Pastor
- 1.6 Carter, Scott – First Baptist Church, Sevierville, TN – Youth Pastor, 2007
- 1.7 Clippings, 2000 – 2006
- 1.8 Construction Projects, 2005 – 2007
- 1.9 Crisis Ministry Center
- 1.10 Day Camps, 2007
- 1.11 Friars Point City Park – Day Camp, 2006-Houston Rockets Dunk Squad, entertained and helped with 500 children in VBS – 156 decisions were made
- 1.12 Friars Point School, 2005
- 1.13 Lord of Glory Baptist Church, Rev. Wilson Ramsey, Pastor – Vacation Bible School –

- 1.14 Mission Team, Central Baptist Church. Albertville, AL, 2007
- 1.15 Good Hope Baptist Church, Tunica County, Ms.
- 1.16 Grandview Baptist Church, Berryville, Arkansas Rev. Billy McCall, Leader, Sports Camp & VBS, Clarksdale, MS
- 1.17 Health Fair
- 1.18 Holy Temple of Jesus, Rev. McKinley McKnight, Pastor- Vacation Bible School, 2007
- 1.19 Housing Development – Clarksdale, MS – Feeding Children at Day Camp, 2007
- 1.20 Johnson, M.C. – Biographical Information
- 1.21 Johnson, M.C. – Photographs
- 1.22 Jonestown Baptist Church
- 1.23 Jonestown Baptist Church, MS – Vacation Bible School and State Fair, 2004
- 1.24 Jonestown, MS – Vacation Bible School and Day Camp
- 1.25 Lee, Wanda and her Acteen Activators of Columbus, Ga.-Now, Executive Director, Woman’s Missionary Union, Birmingham, Al. They did construction work at Strangers Rest Baptist Church Reconstruction Project
- 1.26 Lenair, Robert – Installation Service – Video Tape
- 1.27 Lenair, Robert – Strangers Rest Baptist Church – Pastor, 2006
- 1.28 Lula, MS – Community Center – Vacation Bible School, 2007
- 1.29 Mission Day Camps, 2007
- 1.30 Mission Discovery – Jim Sweeny and Family of Mission Discovery – Remodeling homes in Marks, MS, 2006
- 1.31 Mission Teams (Unidentified)
- 1.32 Mohon Mission House donated by Dr. & Mrs. Jack (Billie) Sartin of Clarksdale, Mississippi – for use by SBC Foreign Missionaries on furlough.

Box 2

- 2.1 New Morning Star Baptist Church, Helena, Ark. – Vacation Bible School – Mission Team – Cornerstone Baptist Church, Kearney, MO, 2007
- 2.2 New Strangers Rest Baptist Church – Vacation Bible School, 2005 – 2006
- 2.3 Newspaper Interview – Clarksdale Press, 2001
- 2.4 North Delta Baptist Association, 2003
- 2.5 North Delta Baptist Association – Summer Schedule, 2010
- 2.6 North Delta Baptist Association – Vacation Bible Schools – Compact disc of Photographs, 2003 – 2013
- 2.7 Planning Meeting with Summer Missionaries
- 2.8 Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Tunica County, Ms.
- 2.9 Rose Hill Baptist Church, Gunnison, MS – Revival, VBS and Construction Projects, 2007
- 2.10 Sermons – Bring Ye...Prove Me (Mal. 3:10), 1968, 1971, 1999
- 2.11 Sermons – The Christian Safety – Jude 1:1-2, 1997
- 2.12 Sermons – A Dead End Street (II Peter 2:7-8), 1977, 1993, 1998
- 2.13 Sermons – Faith Revealed (Luke 7:1-10), 1992 – 1995
- 2.14 Sermons – God’s Last Invitation (Rev. 22:17), 2000
- 2.15 Sermons – Religion that Jesus Condemns... (Matt. 21:18-22), 1988-1990
- 2.16 Sermons – Three T’s of Stewardship, 1969 – 1971, 1999

- 2.17 Sermons – To Serve or Not to Serve (Malachi 3:13-18), 1999
- 2.18 Sermons – When the Fire Falls (1 Kings 18:30-38), 1978, 1998
- 2.19 Sermons – The Works of God (John 6:28-19), 1997
- 2.20 Sevierville, First Baptist Church (Mission Team) – Sports Camp, 2007
- 2.21 Sevierville, First Baptist Church (Mission Team) – Vacation Bible School – Housing Projects, 2011
- 2.22 Sevierville, Tennessee – Volunteers, 2007
- 2.23 Silent Grove Baptist Church, Clarksdale, Ms.
- 2.24 Spruce Street Baptist Church – Vacation Bible School, 2006 – 2009
- 2.25 Spruce Street Baptist Church, 2007
- 2.26 St. Paul’s Believers Baptist Church, Little River Baptist Assn. led by Dr. Mike Rust (construction) of Cadiz, KY (Mission team)
- 2.27 St. Paul’s Believers Baptist Church – Tunica, MS – Mission VBS, 2007
- 2.28 St. Paul’s Believers Baptist Church, Rev Leon Butler, Pastor- Tunica, MS, 2009
- 2.29 Sports Camp, 2009
- 2.30 Strangers Rest Baptist Church – Baptism Service, 2007
- 2.31 Strangers Rest Baptist Church – Documents
- 2.32 Strangers Rest Baptist Church – Vacation Bible School, 2005
- 2.33 Strangers Rest Baptist Church, Lula, MS – Vacation Bible School – Mission Team – Cornerstone Baptist Church, Kearney, MO, 2007
- 2.34 Trailer Park – Backyard Bible Club, 2005
- 2.35 True Light Baptist Church – Vacation Bible School (founder, Rev. Gotrea Brown, current Pastor – Dr. Theodore Strong
- 2.36 True Light Baptist Church
- 2.37 Vacation Bible School – Apartment Complex, 2007
- 2.38 Vacation Bible School – Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Jonestown, MS
Open Door Baptist Church, Walhalla, SC, 2007
- 2.39 Vacation Bible School – Various Places, 2007 – 2009