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BAPTIST JUBILEE ADVANCE
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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.

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.”


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.

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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
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Baptist General Conference
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National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.
North American Baptist General Conference
Southern Baptist Convention

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