BROOKLYN BAPTIST ORPHANAGE MANUALS
AR 197

Summary
Main entry: Brooklyn Baptist Orphanage Manuals

Dates: 1910-1940

Abstract: Collection of manuals describing the work of the Brooklyn Baptist Orphanage from 1910 to 1940. The Orphanage was opened in 1910 with the purpose of taking charge of children who were orphaned. The manuals included a list of the officers of Board of Directors, committee members, a copy of the act of incorporation, by-laws, reports, financial information, information on children received, donations and sustaining members.

Size: .25 linear ft. (1 document box)

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Historical Note
The Brooklyn Baptist Association began considering the idea and need for a Baptist Orphanage in the 1880s and appointed a committee the examine the feasibility of such an endeavor. The following year the committee recommended not to do anything at this time but expressed a desire to see the ministry developed. Funds for an orphanage began to be donated and collected. By 1891 $181.47 had been collected for the Orphanage Fund. In 1901 the Orphanage was incorporated. Individuals and churches continued to add donations to the Fund and by 1907 the balanced reached over sixteen thousand dollars. That year a site was selected for the construction of a suitable building. The Ladies’ Board of Associate Directors organized in 1908 to provide furnishings for the building. By October of 1910 the orphanage had 22 children under their care.

The name of the home was eventually changed to the Baptist Children’s Home of Long Island (Brooklyn, New York).

Scope and Content Note
The collection consists of the printed Manuals of the Brooklyn Baptist orphanage from 1910 to 1940. The manuals were published usually every other year. The items in the collection are identified as manuals. The manuals are printed booklet with a wealth of information about the Brooklyn Baptist Orphanage. The booklets include a list of the officers of Board of Directors, committee members, a copy of the act of incorporation, by-laws, reports, financial information, details on children received, donations and sustaining members.

The collection also includes three other documents related to children’s home.

Arrangement
Manuals are arranged in chronological order.
Provenance
Donated by the American Baptist Historical Society, 2017.

Preferred Citation
Brooklyn Baptist Orphanage Manuals, Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives, Nashville, Tennessee.

Access Restrictions
None

Subject Terms
Brooklyn Baptist Orphanage
Baptists – New York.
Child care service
Children – Institutional care – New York
Orphanages – New York – History

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