

The Murrill Collection was donated to ECSU Archives by alumnus Reverend Dr. Harold Harvey Murrill (B.A., Sociology '69). The collection consists of church histories, images, and ephemera. Records chiefly pertain to religious activities, congregations, and affiliated individuals in North Eastern North Carolina's Albemarle Region, with the primary focus on the Baptist denomination, including the Roanoke Theological Seminary, the West Roanoke Missionary Baptist Association, the Roanoke Missionary Baptist Association, and the Roanoke Collegiate Institute.

Three unusual monographs are included in the materials:

Walls, William Jacob: *The African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church - Reality of the Black Church* (Charlotte, NC: A.M.E. Zion Publishing House, 1974)

Walters, Alexander (Bishop): *My Life and Work* (NY: Fleming H. Revell Co., 1917)

Williams, M. W. & Watkins, G. W. *Who's Who Among North Carolina Negro Baptists - With Brief History of Baptist Organizations* (n.p., n.d. [1940])

The 5.5 cubic feet of records are in various formats: monographs, manuscripts, typescripts, newspaper items. The collection additionally includes three handwritten bound volumes which comprise the records of the Middle Ground Union of the Roanoke Missionary Baptist Association, 1880s through the early 1920s.

MURRILL COLLECTION INVENTORY

BOX ONE: Roanoke Missionary Baptist Association Minutes

Roanoke Missionary Baptist Assn (1879) - photocopy, two pages
Minutes: Roanoke Missionary Baptist Assn (1884)
Minutes: Roanoke Missionary Baptist Assn (1885)
Minutes: Roanoke Missionary Baptist Assn (1920)
Minutes: Roanoke Missionary Baptist Assn (1983)
Minutes: Roanoke Missionary Baptist Assn (1986)
Minutes: Roanoke Missionary Baptist Assn (1987)
Minutes: Roanoke Missionary Baptist Assn (1988)
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Minutes: Roanoke Missionary Baptist Assn (1990)
Minutes: Roanoke Missionary Baptist Assn (1991)
Minutes: Roanoke Missionary Baptist Assn (1992) - 126th Annual Session
Minutes: Roanoke Missionary Baptist Assn (1993)
Minutes: Roanoke Missionary Baptist Assn (1994)

BOX TWO: West Roanoke Missionary Baptist Association

Minutes: West Roanoke Missionary Baptist Assn (188-)
Minutes: West Roanoke Missionary Baptist Assn (1886)
Minutes: West Roanoke Missionary Baptist Assn (1923)
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Minutes: West Roanoke Missionary Baptist Assn (1988)
Minutes: West Roanoke Missionary Baptist Assn (1990)
Miscellaneous Records - West Roanoke Missionary Baptist Assn

Box 3 - Church Histories, Programs, Photos, etc.

African Zion Baptist Church - Maiden WVA
Ashland Baptist Church - History - Merry Hill NC
Antioch Missionary Baptist Church - South Mills NC
Aulander Missionary Baptist Church/ 1st Baptist - history, photo - Aulander NC
Beacon Light Baptist Church - photo
Beautiful Zion Baptist Church - photo
Bethel A.M.E. Zion Church

Box 3 - Church Histories, Programs, Photos, etc. Continued

Bethlehem Baptist Church
Calvary Missionary Baptist Church - 81st anniversary - photo - Ahoskie NC
Cedar Landing Missionary Baptist Church - history, photo - Windsor NC
Christ Church (Episcopal) - Elizabeth City NC
Colerain Baptist Church - history, photo - Aulander NC
Conoconary Baptist Church - history, photo - Aulander NC
Corinth Baptist Church - Jarvisburg NC
Corner Stone Missionary Baptist Church - Elizabeth City NC
Duke University Chapel
Ellis Temple Baptist Church - Winfall NC
Elm Grove Baptist Church - history, photo
Emmanuel Baptist Church
Faith Baptist Chapel - Norfolk VA
First Baptist Church - photo - Murfreesboro NC
First Baptist Church - program - Norfolk VA (Bute Street)
First Baptist Church - history, photo – Powellsville, NC
First Baptist Church - photo, history - Winton NC
Grace Episcopal Church Norfolk VA
Grace United Methodist Church
Harrellsville Chapel Baptist Church photo, history - Harrellsville NC
Haven Creek Baptist Church - history - Roanoke Island (Dare County) NC
(*Courtesy of Brian Edwards, Outer Banks History Center, 1999*)
Holy Trinity Community Church Elizabeth City NC
Indian Woods Baptist Church - history, photo
Jordan Grove Baptist Church - photo, history
Kadesh AME Zion Church - Edenton NC
Kelford Baptist Church - photo
Lebanon Grove Baptist Church - history - Gatesville NC
Lyealla Baptist Church - photo
Menola First Baptist Church - history, photo - Menola NC
Mill Branch Baptist Church - photo
Mill Neck Baptist Church - photo
Mt. Ararat Baptist Church - photo
Mt. Ararat United Church of Christ - programs - Suffolk VA
Mt. Herman Baptist Church - photo, history
Mt. Moriah Baptist Church - photo
Mt. Olive Baptist Church - history Lewiston NC
Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church - Harrellsville NC
Mt Sinai Baptist Church – photo

Box 4- Church Histories

New Bethany Baptist Church - photo
New Haven Baptist Church - photo, history
New Holley Grove Baptist Church - photo
Newsome Grove Baptist Church - photo
Oxley Hill Baptist Church - photo
Parker's Grove Baptist Church - photo
Peterson Chapel Baptist Church - photo, history
Philadelphia Baptist (NC)
Phillipi Baptist Church - photo
Pineywood Chapel Baptist Church - photo
Pitts Chapel AME Zion Church - Elizabeth City (Weeksville) NC
Pleasant Oak Baptist Church - history, photo - Windsor NC
Pleasant Plains Baptist Church - photo
Samuel Chapel Missionary Baptist Church - Elizabeth City (Mt. Hermon) NC
Sandy Branch Baptist Church - history, photo - Roxobel NC
Sandy Point Baptist Church - photo
Saunders Grove Missionary Baptist Church - history - Hertford NC
Spring Hill Baptist Church - history, photo
St. Augustine's Episcopal Church - Newport News VA
St. Elmo Baptist Church - history, photo - Windsor NC
St. Francis Baptist Church - photo
St James Missionary Baptist Church - Elizabeth City NC
St. John Baptist Church - history - Hertford County NC
St. John 2nd Baptist Church - history, photo - Aulander NC
St. Luke Baptist Church - photo
St. Mark Baptist Church - photo
St. Matthews Baptist Church - history, photo
St. Paul Baptist Church - photo
St. Paul's Chapel AME Zion Church - Hertford NC - copy of deed
St. Philip's Moravian Church – Winston-Salem NC
St. Stephen Missionary Baptist Church - Elizabeth City NC
Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church - Elizabeth City (Weeksville) NC
Union Second Baptist Church - photo
United Church of Christ
Victory Baptist Ministries - Elizabeth City NC
Weeping Mary Baptist Church - history, photo
Woodville Plains Baptist Church - photo, history - Lewiston NC
Wynn's Grove Missionary Baptist Church - history, photo
Zion Bethlehem Baptist Church - history, photo - Windsor NC
Zion Hill Baptist Church – photo

Box 5 - Papers of Rev. Murrill

Murril, Harold H: The History of the Churches of the West Roanoke Missionary Baptist Association
Murrill, Harold H: History of Roanoke Missionary Baptist Association (M. Div. Thesis - original)
Murrill, Harold H: History of Roanoke Missionary Baptist Association (copy of M. Div. Thesis)
Murrill, Harold H: Ministerial Ethics and Etiquette
Murrill, Harold H: Miscellaneous Items
Murrill, Harold H: A Systematic and Analytical Study of the Epistle of James
Murrill, Harold H: Systematic Study of Romans and Galatians

Box 6 - Individual Clergy (excepting Rev. Murrill)

Barnes, Harvey Lee, Sr
Boone, Lermuel Washington
Brickhouse, G. Clinton
Brown, Calvin Scott
Davis, James Augusta
Davis, Walter
Davis, William Timothy
Falwell, Jerry
Felton, Winfred III
Futrell, Willie Jr.
Godfrey, Joe Louis (Chaplain)
Green, Joseph Nathaniel
Hart, Chester Arthur
Jackson, E. Franklin
Jordan, John Wesley
Lamb, A. W. - Installation
Law, John Paige
Law, John Whitfield
Lyons, Henry J.
Mackey, Philip Benjamin
Moore, Calvin C
Newby, Golar Curtis
Nixon, Otis T. (Bishop)
Powell, Little Joe Sr.
Prince, John Jr.
Mitchell, Howard L (sermons)
Reid, William
Simons, Dennis L. Jr
Spottswood, Stephen Gill
Talley, Thomas E.
Toussaint, Pierre

Box 6 - Individual Clergy (excepting Rev. Murrill) Continued

Trotman, John Ervin Sr.
White, Thomas E.
Wiggins, James R.
Williams, A. M
Williams, Samuel Woodrow
Willis, L. B. (Bishop)
Wrighton, James Russell

Box 7 - Roanoke Theological Seminary (RTS) - General Documents

Roanoke Theological Institute Catalog 1990-91
RTS - Catalog 1994-96
RTS - Catalog Residue 1994
RTS - Commencement 1996
RTS - Commencement 1998
RTS - General Records
RTS - Thesis Guide
RTS - Yearbook 1991-1992
RTS - Yearbook 1992-1993
RTS - Yearbook 1993-1994

Box 8 - Roanoke Theological Seminary (Elizabeth City, NC) – Theses

RTS Thesis: Artis, Vernon, *A Conservative Evaluation of Black Theology* (1993)
RTS Thesis: Boone, Mitchell, *Man's Quest for Inner Peace* (1994)
RTS Thesis: Bryant, James A. Sr., *James - The Epistle of Reality Problems and Solutions* (1995)
RTS Thesis: Clark, William C., *The Life of Jesus - The Example for Modern Man* (1993)
RTS Thesis: Drake, Wallace J., Sr., *Intermarriage of the Hebrews to People of other Nationalities* (1994)
RTS Thesis: Lassiter, Sherman E., *From Saul of Tarsus to Paul the Apostle* (1994)
RTS Thesis: Perry, Jerald I. Sr., *The Formation of the Church of God in Christ* (1995) S
RTS Thesis: Shannon, John R., *Paul's Theology* (1993)
RTS Thesis: Whitehurst, David S., *Christian is the Belief in One God* (1995)
RTS Thesis: Williams, Timothy Jr., *History - the Basis of Theology* (1994)

Box 9 - Other Religious Matters

AME Zion - General
Andersonville (Georgia) Baptist Seminary - Catalogue (n.d., c. 1997) and other items
Browne, Jackson: AME Zion Church Brief History
Campus Crusade for Christ
Carolina University of Theology Catalogue 1998-1999
Courtesy of the Rev Dr Harvey Lee Barnes, September 11, 1999
Carver Bible Institute & College - Catalogue
Christian Bible College & Seminary (Missouri) - Catalogue (1997), and other materials
Church Burnings
Fisher, Miles Mark: A Short History of the Baptist Denomination (Nashville TN: Sunday School Publishing Board, 1933)
gift of Leonard R. Ballou, from the papers of his father-in-law, the late Rev Mr. Hilray Parker Williams of Prichard, Alabama
General Baptist State Convention: Baptist Informer
General Baptist State Convention: Minutes 1968-1969
General Baptist State Convention: Minutes 1971-1972
General Baptist State Convention: Minutes 1987-1988
General Baptist State Convention - Miscellaneous
Kwanzaa
Mormons
Muslims (Islam)
Religion - General (transferred from RG 065 - Black Studies)

Box 10 - Other Religious Matters

Roanoke Collegiate Institute- Catalog 1912 (photocopy from NC State Archives)
Roanoke Collegiate Institute— General
Seminary Extension (Southern Baptist Convention) - Catalogs (1989-1996)
Shaw Divinity School - Catalog 1982-1984 Courtesy of Rev Dr Murrill, August 28, 1999
Trotter, Claude: Wake Baptist Association History
Walls, William Jacob: The African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church - Reality of the Black Church (Charlotte, NC: A.M.E.Zion Publishing House, 1974)
Gift of Capt (USNR) Roosevelt Ruben Wright Jr, September 20, 1999. Dr. Wright indicated he wished his father's book to be retained in the ECSU Archives, as a token of his and his father's esteem for the institution. Mr. Roosevelt Ruben Wright Sr (September 10, 1919 - September 19, 1999) was a former ECSU employee. Dr. Wright, his son, a Syracuse University professor, and the donor, is an ECSU Alumnus (Industrial Arts, 1964).
Walters, Alexander (Bishop): My Life and Work (NY: Fleming H. Revell Co., 1917)

Box 10 - Other Religious Matters, Continued

Williams, M. W. & Watkins, G. W. Who's Who Among North Carolina Negro Baptists - With Brief History of Baptist Organizations (n.p., n.d. [1940])

Box 11 - Middle Ground Union Documents

Manuscript Record Book (450 pages) - Middle Ground Union Minutes: March 1890 - May 1904

Manuscript Record Book (300 pages) - Middle Ground Union Minutes: July 1904 - August 1914

Manuscript Record Book (many pages missing) - Middle Ground Union: miscellaneous annotations, December 1 883 - December 1889.

Miscellaneous Manuscript Documents - 26 items, 1893-1913: originally located in the Record Books

Printed Announcement: N & E.B. Union verso monetary offerings listed

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Box 12 – Documents

History of the Roanoke Missionary Baptist Association, 1866-1888

Newspaper Clippings:

Rev. W.A. Cooper, Charlotte

Episcopal Cemetery Society, Elizabeth City NC

City Road Methodist Church, Elizabeth City NC

Mt. Lebanon AME Zion Elizabeth City NC

Printed Announcement: N & E.B. Union verso monetary offerings listed

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