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**William Newton Short, Jr.  
Papers, (1948-1997)**

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Manuscripts #27

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## **About this collection**

**Title:** William Newton Short, Jr. Papers, 1948-1997

**Creator:** William "Bill" Newton Short, Jr., 1943-2009

**Identifier/Call Number:** Center for Restoration Studies Manuscripts #27

**Physical Description:** 0.5 linear feet (1 box)

**Dates (Inclusive):** 1948-1997

**Dates (Bulk):** 1948-1997

**Location:** Center for Restoration Studies

**Language of Materials:** English

**Scope and Content Note:** A collection of autobiographical stories from experiences in Africa and America from Bill Short. Written in the 1990s, Short's recollections mainly include childhood memories from the late 1940s and 1950s.

**Biographical Note:** William Short was born on February 23, 1943 in Southern Rhodesia, Africa. Graduated from Gilbert Rennie School, Lusaka, Africa and moved to the United States in 1961. Received a BSW at Harding University and began Graduate Studies at Abilene Christian College before receiving his Masters in French, German, and Spanish from the University of North Texas. Short obtained his Doctorate in Foreign Languages from Rice University. Short was a Professor of Languages at McMurry University for 27 years, teaching French, German, and Spanish. He was the Chairman of Modern Languages and served as a sponsor of the Makona Social Club for almost 3 decades. He served as a member at Minter Lane Church of Christ for over 20 years where he taught bible classes. He traveled the world as a missionary and teacher, taking trips with Let's Start Talking Ministries and led many International Studies Abroad campaigns.

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**Separated Materials:** none

### **Subjects and keywords**

Africa

Churches of Christ -- History -- 20<sup>th</sup> century

Churches of Christ -- Missions

Manuscripts

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