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### Jim Bevis Papers, 1966-2004

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**Jim Bevis**  
**Papers, (1966-2004)**

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Manuscripts #63

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## **About this collection**

**Title:** Jim Bevis Papers, 1966-2004

**Creators:** Jim Bevis; Campus Evangelism (1966-1970)

**Identifier/Call Number:** Center for Restoration Studies Manuscripts #63

**Physical Description:** 3.5 linear feet (3 boxes)

**Dates (Inclusive):** 1966-2004

**Dates (Bulk):** 1966-2004

**Location:** Center for Restoration Studies

**Language of Materials:** English

**Scope and Content Note:** This collection contains papers pertaining to the Campus Evangelism program from Jim Bevis. It includes correspondence, photographs of Campus Evangelism events, spiritual renewal conference papers, and newsletters produced by Campus Evangelism movements.

**Biographical Note:** Jim Bevis has been a minister of the gospel for 44 years and has served churches in Lubbock, Houston and San Angelo, Texas, Atlanta, Georgia, Nashville, Tennessee, Indianapolis, Indiana and Sheffield, Alabama. Bevis was a major leader in the Campus Evangelism movement from 1966-1970. With Rex Vermillion he co-directed the Campus Evangelism movement under the oversight of the Broadway Church of Christ in Lubbock, Texas. The movement put forth major evangelical efforts on campuses nationwide, holding conferences with thousands of students in attendance. Despite the support of church leaders, such as E.W. McMillan, M. Norvel Young, Frank Pack, Tony Ash, Reuel Lemmons, the leaders of the movement came under withering criticism. Having lost support from their biggest supporters, and the movement that had focused on teaching about the Holy Spirit, grace, and spreading faith ended in 1970.

### **Administrative Information**

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Bevis, Jim  
Shelton, Charles  
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