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James R. Fife
Papers, (1957-1983)

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About this collection

Title: James R. Fife Papers, (1957-1983)

Creator: James R. Fife

Identifier/Call Number: Center for Restoration Studies Manuscripts #241

Physical Description: 1.5 linear feet (2 boxes)

Dates (Inclusive): 1957-1983

Dates (Bulk): 1958-1970

Location: Center for Restoration Studies

Language of Materials: English

Scope and Content Note: The James R. Fife Papers contain 1.5 linear feet of materials. The majority of the papers are research materials from a master's thesis that Christian Education major James Fife started at Abilene Christian College. He was part of the class of 1957 and studied under Carl Spain. The working title for his research was "A History of the Bible Chair Movement Among Churches of Christ." Fife left Abilene Christian College in 1958 to become the director of the Bible Chair in Tyler, Texas. These papers also include one folder of information about the founding of *Mission Journal*.

Biographical Note: James R. Fife from Port Arthur, Texas, attended Abilene Christian College beginning in the fall of 1957. He majored in Christian Education and worked closely with Professor Carl Spain. These papers document some of his academic research on the Bible Chair Movement and his involvement with the early stages of *Mission Journal*.

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Subjects and Keywords

Fife, James

Churches of Christ

Stone-Campbell Movement

Restoration Movement

Bible Chair

Inventory

Box 1

Finding aid

Mission journal founding documents, 1966-1967

Eleven colorful artboards “that were photographed and made into slides used to introduce TJC Bible Chair to various congregations, budget committees, and various other groups in East Texas in 1958-1960.”

American Diversified

Bonus Bucks -- Mission Bend

Bible Chair Lectureship, 1959

Bible Chair Retreat - Spring 1960, Kilgore

Bible Chair Lectureship - Lubbock, Beaumont. Goebel Music- Gene Priest, 1957, 1958

Bible Chair Lectureship - Tyler, program material, 1960

Correspondence, 1960-1961

Howdeshell Grandchildren Trust, 1976

Howdeshell Grandchildren Trust, 1983

West End Animal Clinic

Box 2

[miscellaneous brochures and correspondence]

[Bible Chair photographs, programs, and brochures]

Corporation Development

To be filed

Bible Chair

Personal - James R. Fife

General Office Information

Bible Chair questionnaires- prepared material, Bible Chairs

Blue speech and research notecards