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**Freddy Carl Brecheen  
Papers, (1955-2009)**

Center for Restoration Studies  
Manuscripts #439

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## **About this collection**

**Title:** Freddy Carl Brecheen Papers

**Creator:** Freddy Carl Brecheen

**Identifier/Call Number:** Center for Restoration Studies Manuscripts #439

**Physical Description:** 13 linear feet (13 boxes)

**Dates (Inclusive):** 1955-2009

**Dates (Bulk):** 1955-2009

**Location:** Center for Restoration Studies

**Language of Materials:** English

**Scope and Content Note:** Thirteen boxes of awards, media, sermon and class note material, and correspondence.

**Biographical Note:** Freddy Carl Brecheen was born November 26, 1929. He grew up in Hollis, Oklahoma, and went on to Abilene Christian College. He went on to earn additional graduate degrees from Harding University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He married Ethelyn “Smitty” Smith on October 21, 1952. The couple had three children. Carl Brecheen preached throughout Arkansas and Texas before settling in Abilene. He worked at ACU for 46 years as a professor of Bible and was active in the campus community life as director of ACU’s Bible Teachers Workshop from 1966-1990s and ACU’s Lectureship (now Summit) from 1970-1993. Brecheen died December 19, 2019.<sup>1</sup>

### **Administrative Information**

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<sup>1</sup> For more information about Carl Brecheen, see “ACU Remembers: Dr. Carl Brecheen” by Dr. Cheryl Mann Bacon, *ACU Today*, December 19, 2019.  
<https://acu.today/2019/12/19/acu-remembers-dr-carl-brecheen/>

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**Arrangement of Materials:** These papers are arranged into four series: Series I: Awards; Series II: Media; Series III: Sermon and Class Note Material; and Series IV: Correspondence.

**Separated Materials:** none

### **Subjects and Keywords**

Churches of Christ -- History -- 20<sup>th</sup> century  
Churches of Christ -- Texas -- Abilene  
Manuscripts  
Abilene Christian College  
Abilene Christian University

## **Inventory**

### **Box 1**

[First Folder] Finding Aid

### **Series I: Awards**

Director of 29th annual Bible Teacher's Workshop - Madison Church of Christ Madison, TN July 27, 1983

Appreciation - 40th year of teaching at ACU

Appreciation- 30 years as director of ACU Bible Teacher's Workshop July 21, 1996

Masters of Arts Diploma June 2, 1955

Ohio Valley University School of Biblical Studies Recognition April 4, 2006

Pepperdine University Distinguished Christian Service Award - Carl and Smitty Brecheen April 27, 1990 at The 47th Annual Bible Lectureships

### **Box 2**

Diploma: Masters of Religious Education May 31, 1956 - Harding University

Diploma: Doctor of Religious Education January 21, 1965 - Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

ACU Center for Adolescent Studies 1st Annual Award - Dr. Carl Brecheen and Dr. Paul Faulkner

### **Box 3**

Certificate of Appreciation from ACU February 21, 1993

Excellence in Christian Education Award from Fort Worth, Tx January 20, 1998

Excellence in Mass Communication Evangelism from ACU February 21, 1989 - Dr. Carl Brecheen and Dr. Paul Faulkner

Barnabas Award July 7, 2005 - Carl and Smitty Brecheen from Lipscomb University

### **Box 4**

Excellence in Education Award from Sweet Publishing February 18, 1991

Madison Church of Christ Special Award July 25, 1973 - Dr. Carl Brecheen

Intercollegiate Teacher of the Year 1983-1984 from The College of Business Administration  
ACU

Minister of Education College Church of Christ 1961-1974 - Carl Brecheen

### **Box 5**

Lectureship Legacy Award from ACU February 20, 2006

Appreciation: Family Outreach Ministry Herald of Truth September 28, 1990 - Dr. Carl Brecheen

Appreciation: From Highland Church of Christ Abilene, Tx - Carl and Smitty Brecheen  
20th Century Christian Leadership Award February 23, 1983 - Dr. Carl Brecheen

## **Series II: Media**

### **Box 1**

Bible Collection

Moses

Joseph

David

Samson & Delilah

Jacob

Abraham

Other Movies

JESUS

The last Days of JESUS

### **Box 2**

Marriage Enrichment Seminar 1, 5- 8

Marriage Enrichment Seminar 2000 Episodes 1-6 , Sessions 1 & 2

Marriage Enrichment Video Series Volumes 3-4

Marriage Enrichment Sessions 4-6

Abilene Christian University Carl & Smitty Brecheen and Paul & Gladys Faulkner Christian Service Award

## **Series III. Sermon and Class Note Material**

### **Box 1**

6 black binders of notes

### **Box 2**

6 black binders of notes labeled 2-5, 8-9 and Youth Series

### **Box 3**

Blue Binder

Red notebook

4 green notebooks

1 light blue notebook

1 dark blue notebook

Class for Pre-Marriage

How to Avoid marrying a Jerk notes  
How to Avoid marrying a Jerk or Jerkette DVD

**Box 4**

1986 Research on Families-CB  
The Center For The Family Advisory Board  
Blue folder of Transparencies  
Green folder of Transparencies  
Transparency notes on 1 John and class notes  
2 Blue folders of Parenting Material  
Marriage Enrichment Seminar Notebook  
2 copies of the first study guide for the Marriage Enrichment Film Series by Paul Learned  
Marriage Mentoring notebook  
Red folder of letters and material used in class in MES Seminars  
3 notebooks on Marriage Enrichment Seminar  
Copies of appreciation letters from MES Attendees  
Picture of last seminar in 2006

**Box 5**

Sermons by Batsell Barrett Baxter  
Carl's Thesis "A Leadership Study of the Elder in the Churches of Christ"  
Folder labeled Parenting and "Fathers"  
Folder of Marriage Mentor Program at UCC starting in 1998 by the Brecheen's  
Notebook of Celebrating Marriage, a Participant Manual  
Folder of a paper explaining the use of the 2 disk set, the costs, and a letter from his daughter Stacy, a magnet given to all MES participants, Carl's planner  
3 DVDs of Messiah: Mission and Message from July 24-27, 2008  
DVD of Making Life Work for your Family  
2 disc DVD of Celebration of Marriage  
Carl's Powerpoint discs for MES

**Series IV. Correspondence**

**Box 1**

Folder of Carl's Ordination as a minister and his resignation as an Elder at UCC  
Folder of Memorabilia, Carl's Begin of ACC  
Folder of Letters  
Folder of MES letters and cards of appreciation and love  
Folder of emails