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**Sheryl Taylor Curlee
Papers, (1855-2022)**

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About this collection

Title: Sheryl Taylor Curlee Papers

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Physical Description: 13.5 linear feet (9 boxes)

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Location: Center for Restoration Studies

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Scope and Content Note: The collection includes a copy of Sheryl Taylor Curlee's book, *Building a Church, Building a City: History of the First Church Erected in the City of Dallas, Texas*, which chronicles the history of the Highland Oaks church of Christ from 1855-2022. Also included in the collection are research papers on the founding families and members, preachers, and elders of the church, as well as scrapbooks and photographs of memorable events such as the church's 150th anniversary celebration.

Biographical Note: The following biographical note is excerpted from the book *Building a Church, Building a City: History of the First Church Erected in the City of Dallas, Texas* by Sheryl Taylor Curlee.

“Sheryl was born in 1948 to J. Boyd Taylor, long-time minister for Churches of Christ in Iowa Park, Wichita Falls, Irving, Garland and Heath, Texas, and the late Geneva Campbell Taylor, long-time elementary school teacher. Sheryl Taylor Curlee graduated in 1967 from W.F. George High School in Iowa Park, Texas, and from Abilene Christian University in 1971 with a degree in communications. She worked for KIXL Radio, Ratcliff Advertising, KNUS Radio and McLendon Broadcasting in Dallas and Cessna Aircraft Company in Wichita, Kansas. In 1983 she began work at Highland Oaks Church of Christ as the bookkeeper and in 1984 was named Finance Manager and held that position until October 2011.”¹

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Arrangement of Materials: The processors retained the original order as received. These papers are arranged in five series:

Series I: Preachers

Series II: Elders

Series III: Print Materials

- SubSeries A: Founding Families and Early Members
- SubSeries B: 150th Anniversary Historical Marker Event

Series IV: Scrapbooks

Series V: Photographs

Separated Materials: none

Subjects and Keywords

Churches of Christ -- History -- 20th century

Churches of Christ -- Texas

Manuscripts

Inventory

Box 1

[First Folder] Finding Aid

Building a Church, Building a City: History of the First Church Erected in the City of Dallas, Texas by Sheryl Taylor Curlee

Series I: Preachers

Nho, Polly 1855-1866
Charles Carlton 1863-1867
Richard M. Gano 1866-1886
Kirk Baxter 1876-77 minister
Green Lee Surber 1878-1882
Joe Harding 1886-1889
W. C. Dimmitt 1899
W. H. Wright 1890-1891
L. W. Welsh 1892-1893
A. Alsup 1896-1898
G. A. Dunn 1898-1899
James S. Dunn 1899-1901
J S. Warlick, 1901-1902
Jesse P. Sewell 1902-1905
A.B. Barret 1905
L. S. White 1906-1917
A.O. Colley 1917-1925
J. B. Nelson March 1925-June 1928
C. M. Pullas September 1928-June 1935
Flavil Colley 1935-1942

Box 2

Coleman Overby 1942-1950
Melvin Wise 1951
Boyd Fanning 1952-1957
Virgil Bentley September 1967-February 1971
Adair Chapman 1957-1967, 1971-1974
Bryan Teagle 1975-1975
Bob Barnhill May 1975-June 1977
Gary Beauchamp July 1977-June 2002
Tim Spivey 11/02-6/08
Pat Bills August 2009

Series II: Elders

Elders - Miscellaneous
J. S. Saunders 1865-1868
John Fletcher 1867-1869
William Wallace Peak 1867-1884

W. R. Bell 1881-1885
W. B. Gano 1881
W. H. Lemmon 1881-1893
W. H. Wright 1891 see preacher file [folder empty]
James J. Collins 1893-1903
Richard M Gano see preacher file [folder empty]
W. B. Lipscomb 1896-1899
A. T. Sitz 1896-1904
John Cole see founding families file [folder empty]
Charles Mauzy approx. 1900-1920
J. A. Ruff between 1870-1900
A. Shutz
R. T. Skiles

Box 3

H. C. Kitching 1914-1915
Isaac C. Vickery 1913-1916
Lloyd S White 1913-1917 see preacher file [folder empty]
James Jackson 1917-1935
Dr. Ashley T. Harris 1918-1935
John L. Ferguson 1919-1929
John Leonard Pummill 1919-1929
W. W. Davis 1925-1927
J. M. Jones 1927-1931
M. L. Killingsworth 1929-1931
J. E. Walker 1929-1935
T. C. Walke 1935-1968
C. T. Ward 1934-1952
Dr. Sam H. Crawford 1943-1977
J. C. Jackson 1943-1945
W. G. Mc Connell 1943-1945
S. E. Willis 1952-1954
P. H. Cuthbertson 1954-1970
A. H. Sevier 1954-1969
C. M. Slocum 1960-1974
W. F. Ward 1960-1967
Vernon Atchley 1965-1969
John Garrestson 1965-1988
Donald Morrow 1965-1996
Jack Fry 1969-1972
W. E. Kirk 1969-1988
Wilmer Mc Callum 1969-1984
J. C. Hall 1971-1992
Raymond Mitchell 1971-1973
Waymon Sloan 1971-1974
J. D. Williams 1971-1975

Carlton Justice 1974-2000
Lewis Knight 1974-1980
Paul Skelton 1974-1980
Virgil Benley 1981-1990 see preacher file [folder empty]
Jack Phipps 1981-1993
Bill Rudd 1981-1988
Bill Brown 1984-1991
Kent Denton 1984-
Wayne Neu 1984-
Don Ridgway 1984-1991
Brian Teagle 1984-1989 see preacher file [folder empty]
Mike Allen 1987-1990
Buster Bailey 1987-1991
Staton Douthit 1987-2010
Dale Duncan 1987-1995
Don Jackson 1987-1991
John Losher 1987-1991, 1993-1997
George Baker 1992-
Bill Cox 1992-1997
Don Crisp 1992-1993, 2000-2010
Vince Doan 1992-

Box 4

Larry Ruckman 1992-1998
Horace Hardin 1993-1997
Art Hobbs 1993-
Gottfred Olsen 1997-
Kent Sutherland 1997-2003
Joe Walker 1997-
George Ashmore 2000-2010
Malcolm Johnson 2000-2014
James Teague 2000-
Bill Abston 2006-2008
Gary Bartlett 2006-
Barry Packer 2006-
Sam Bass 2010-
Clint Bunch 2010-
Al Fannin 2010-
Tom Howard 2010-
Bruce Kile 2010-
Tom Mutranowski 2010-2014
Dan Page 2010-
Bob Palmer 2010-
Ken Perry 2010-
Randy Raglin 2010-
Mike Stahl 2010-

Rob Stevens 2010-2014

Series III: Print Materials

SubSeries A: Founding Families and Early Members

John Higgs Cole

Benjamin Franklin Hall

William Henry Hord

William Brown Miller

Jefferson Peak

Harvey Shepherd

Ophelia Crutchfield Eakins

Barton Warren Stone [folder 1]

Barton Warren Stone [folder 2]

Sarah Cockrell

Box 5

A.M. Dean

Joan Neely Bryan

Early Church Members

Richard Crump

Granville Crutcher

W. T. Kidwell, born 1847

Knowles Shaw - Singer & Hymn Writer

Morrow, Mathew Martin

Isaac L Vanzandt

SubSeries B: 150th Anniversary Historical Marker Event

Historical Marker Event

A History of Acton Baptist Church 1855-2005

HOCC History

Miscellaneous 150th Anniversary

Fans from 150th Anniversary

Sermon outline book of J.B. Nelson

“Denominationalism Analyzed: An Unbiased Examination of Sectarian Claims” by Wilbur H.

White Minister, church of Christ

Box 6

Series IV: Scrapbooks

Scrapbook, “Preachers 1855-1901”: (1 of 2)

Scrapbook, “Preachers 1855-1901”: (2 of 2)

Scrapbook, “Preachers 1906-1957”: (1 of 2)

Scrapbook, “Preachers 1906-1957”: (2 of 2)

Scrapbook, “Preachers 1958-2009”

Scrapbook, “Elders 1865-1914”: (1 of 2)

Scrapbook, “Elders 1865-1914”: (2 of 2)

Scrapbook, “Elders 1915-1955”: (1 of 2)

Scrapbook, “Elders 1915-1955”: (2 of 2)

Scrapbook, “Elders 1960-2005”: (1 of 3)

Scrapbook, "Elders 1960-2005": (2 of 3)
Scrapbook, "Elders 1960-2005": (3 of 3)
Scrapbook, "Staff 1928-1978": (1 of 2)
Scrapbook, "Staff 1928-1978": (2 of 2)
Scrapbook, "Staff 1979-1983"
Scrapbook, "Staff 1994-2011": (1 of 2)
Scrapbook, "Staff 1994-2011": (2 of 2)

Box 7

Scrapbook, "First Families of the Church": (1 of 2)
Scrapbook, "First Families of the Church": (2 of 2)
Scrapbook, "First Christian Church Membership 1866, 1881": (1 of 2)
Scrapbook, "First Christian Church Membership 1866, 1881": (2 of 2)

Series V: Photographs

Photo album, 150th Anniversary Celebration 2005 (1 of 2)
Photo album, 150th Anniversary Celebration 2005 (2 of 2)
Photo album, 1989-1998 (1 of 2)
Photo album, 1989-1998 (2 of 2)
Photo album, 1992-2000 (1 of 2)
Photo album, 1992-2000 (2 of 2)
Loose photos, CDs, and negatives
CDs and negatives

Box 8

150th Anniversary Scrapbook
Binder of slides
Miscellaneous slides

Box 9

Miscellaneous slides and film rolls