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Descriptive Inventory

MSS 74 FIRST Baptist Church – Franklin, Kentucky, 1833-1981

3 ½ boxes. 26 folders. 26 items. 1833-1981. Photocopies

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ORGANIZATIONAL HISTORY

The First Baptist Church of Franklin, Kentucky was constituted on 13 July 1833 under the name “United Baptist Church of Christ.” The congregation initially met in a small building on the town square. In 1892 they dedicated a building at the corner of College and Madison Streets. In either 1904 or 1905 a Sunday School annex was built.

Various church organizations evolved as follows: Women’s Missionary Society, 1902; Sunbeam Band for Young People, 1903; Young Women’s Auxiliary, 1913; Royal Ambassador Chapter, 1915; Girls’ Auxiliary, 1923.

Mission churches constituted by the First Baptist Church include Barbe Church, Walker Avenue Mission, Calvary Baptist Church, and Fairview Baptist Church.

Bibliographical Notes:

Beach, Mrs. James and James Henry Snider. *Franklin and Simpson County, A Picture of Progress: 1819-1975*, 383-401.

COLLECTION

This collection consists of photocopies of the Franklin First Baptist Church minute books, 1833-1981; membership roster, 1948-1969; Constitution and By-Laws, 1973; and the Constitution and By-Laws of the Fairview Baptist Church, 1980. Included in the minute books are lists of members’ names, treasurer’s reports and financial records, various church committee members’ names, and the church committees’ reports. Some information concerning the mission churches is included within the church records.

SHELF LIST

BOX 1	Minutes	1833-1941	6 items
Folder 1a	Inventory; church history notes		2 items
Folder 1	Minutes	1833; 1879-1901	1 item p. 1-120
Folder 2	Minutes	1833; 1879-1901	p. 121-339
Folder 3	Minutes	1915-1936	1 item p. 1-216
Folder 4	Minutes	1915-1936	p. 217-370
Folder 5	Minutes	1937-1941	1 item, 82 p.
Folder 6	Minutes	1940-1941	1 item, 51 p.
BOX 2	Minutes; Financial and business meeting reports	1942-1970	6 items
Folder 1	Minutes	1942-1950	1 item, 257 p.
Folder 2	Minutes	1950-1955	1 item, 109 p.
Folder 3	Minutes	1956-1959	1 item. 94 p.
Folder 4	Minutes	1959-1964	1 item, 150 p.
Folder 5	Minutes	1965-1969	1 item, 205 p.
Folder 6	Financial and business meeting reports	1970	1 item, 69 p.
BOX 3	Financial and business meeting reports	1971-1980	10 items
Folder 1	Financial and business meeting reports	1971	1 item, 105 p.

Folder 2	Financial and business meeting reports	1972	1 item, 81 p.
Folder 3	Financial and business meeting reports	1973	1 item, 89 p.
Folder 4	Financial and business meeting reports	1974	1 item, 81 p.
Folder 5	Financial and business meeting reports	1975	1 item, 77 p.
Folder 6	Financial and business meeting reports	1976	1 item, 49 p.
Folder 7	Financial and business meeting reports	1977	1 item, 55 p.
Folder 8	Financial and business meeting reports	1978	1 item, 50 p.
Folder 9	Financial and business meeting reports	1979	1 item, 75 p.
Folder 10	Financial and business meeting reports	1980	1 item, 64 p.
BOX 4	Financial and business meeting reports; Membership roster; Constitution and by-laws	1948-1981	4 items
Folder 1	Financial and business meeting reports	1981	1 item, 63 p.
Folder 2	Membership roster	1948-1969	1 item, 108 p.
Folder 3	Constitution and by-laws First Baptist Church Franklin, Kentucky	1973	1 item, 11 p.
Folder 4	Constitution and by-laws Fairview 1980 Baptist Church		1 item, 13 p.

BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD

MSS 74 First Baptist Church – 1833-1981
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Photocopies of original church minute books (1833; 1879-1981), membership roster (1948-1969), constitution and by-laws (1978) of the First Baptist Church, Franklin, Kentucky.
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SUBJECT ANALYTICS

Baptists – Franklin
Baptists – Simpson County
Fairview Baptist Church – Simpson County
Franklin – Churches – Baptist
Minute books
Simpson County – Churches – Baptist

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