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*Descriptive Inventory*

**MSS 288     SPRING Valley United Baptist Church**

1 box. 15 folders. 19 items. 1820-1927. Photocopies.

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***ORGANIZATIONAL HISTORY***

Pleasant Grove United Baptist Church was constituted on 29 April 1820 in Logan County, Kentucky. The first church building was constructed on land donated in 1823 by David Hinton. In 1900, the building was demolished and a new building constructed on land donated by H. H. Hughes. The first meeting in the new building was held on 23 June 1900, at which time Spring Valley was chosen as the new name of the church.

***COLLECTION NOTE***

The collection consists primarily of photocopies of Minute Books I, II and III of the Spring Valley (formerly Pleasant Grove) United Baptist Church, together with typescripts of the minute books. Minute Book I (Folder 5, typescript in Folder 6) covers the years 1820-1858, Minute Book II (Folder 8, typescript in Folder 9) covers 1858-1894, and Minute Book III (Folder 12, typescript in Folder 13) covers 1894-1927. The collection (Folders 4, 7, 11) also contains indexes of names referred to in each minute book; in the cases of Minute Books I and II, the indexes (Folders 4, 7) separate out the names of white and black members.

Each minute book includes a membership register, but additional lists of both white and black members are found in Folder 3. In addition, Folders 10 and 14 contain membership lists created by Ruth Flowers, the sister of the church's clerk George T. Flowers; some of the names on her lists may *not* appear in the name indexes in Folders 4, 7, and 11. Further notes on church members appear in Folder 15, including a list of members who formed the Whippoorwill Baptist Church, described as a "branch church" in Schochoh, Kentucky, in 1833.

Finally, the collection includes a history of the church prepared in 1896 (Folder 2), a copy and typescript of David Hinton's 1823 deed of the church property (Folder 2), and miscellaneous notes on the contents of the minute books (Folder 15).

**SHELF LIST**

<b>BOX 1</b>	<b>SPRING Valley United Baptist Church</b>	<b>1820-1927</b>	<b>19 items</b>
Folder 1	Inventory		1 item
Folder 2	History of Pleasant Grove Church; preface to minute books	1896, 1986	2 items
Folder 3	Deed of church property from David Hinton; typescript of deed; membership lists (including blacks)	1823, n.d.	3 items
Folder 4	Name index to Minute Book I (pp. 1-134); name index of blacks	1820-1858	2 items
Folder 5	Minute Book I	Apr. 29, 1820- July 24, 1858	1 item
Folder 6	Typescript of Minute Book I	Apr. 29, 1820- July 24, 1858	1 item
Folder 7	Name index to Minute Book II (pp. 135-256), including blacks	1858-1894	1 item
Folder 8	Minute Book II	Nov. 27, 1858- Apr. 21, 1894	1 item
Folder 9	Typescript of Minute Book II	Nov. 27, 1858- Apr. 21, 1894	1 item
Folder 10	Membership list	n.d.	1 item
Folder 11	Name index to Minute Book III (pp. 257-382)	1894-1927	1 item
Folder 12	Minute Book III	June 23, 1894- Mar. 13, 1927	1 item
Folder 13	Typescript of Minute Book III	June 23, 1894- Mar. 13, 1927	1 item
Folder 14	Membership list	n.d.	1 item
Folder 15	Miscellaneous notes on minute books and membership lists	n.d.	1 item

**BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD**

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**SUBJECT ANALYTICS**

African Americans – Logan County  
Baptists – Logan County  
Flowers, Ruth, 1898-1984 – Relating to  
Religion – Logan County  
Whippoorwill Baptist Church – Logan County – Relating to

**SEE or SEE ALSO**

Pleasant Grove United Baptist Church – Logan County  
See:  
Spring Valley United Baptist Church

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