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Guide to the

**Richard E. Stenhouse, Sr. papers**

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## Summary

**Creator:** Richard Eugene Stenhouse, Sr.

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## Creator History

Reverend Dr. Richard Eugene Stenhouse, Sr. was born January 17, 1921 in Greenville, South Carolina to Luther and Fannie E. Stenhouse, the youngest of four brothers and three sisters. Enriched by a strong church environment, it was the family's general consensus that he would become a minister. During the course of his life, his actions were as a man of faith and a seeker of justice. Specifically, he spent a lifetime reclaiming his humanity and those of his fellow U.S. residents by advocating for social, economic, and political parity. Faced with a nation that legalized racism, justified through violence, subordination, and oppression, Stenhouse demonstrated great resolve and commitment to disrupt, overturn, and resist systemic issues of injustice. This work was personal as well as professional. It was also done in collaboration with others across racial lines and was aligned with the principles of

nonviolence and peace. In addition, his wife, Ella V. Griffin Stenhouse, whom he married in 1957, was a supporter, ally, and partner in all of his endeavors.

A 1937 graduate of Sterling High School in his hometown, Stenhouse earned his bachelor's degree in 1949 at William Penn College in Oskaloosa, Iowa. Prior to attending college, he had registered as a conscientious objector and during World War II he was conscripted to serve three years (1940-1943) in the Civilian Public Service Camps (CPS), however the period of conscription in the CPS camps was later extended until the last of the soldiers returned from overseas in 1947. Finding his conscription in the CPS camps a contradiction to his convictions, Stenhouse went AWOL (absent without leave) from the California camp where he was working and enrolled in William Penn College. After completing his studies there, he attended Haverford College in Pennsylvania in pursuit of a master's degree in philosophy, which he earned in 1950. His thesis was entitled "The Mysticism of Isaac Pennington," an important Quaker leader. During his years in the CPS he became a member of the Wider Quaker Fellowship, thus, while earning his degree, he resided at the Quaker Center for Social and Religious Studies in Pendle Hill. Although he was a Presbyterian minister, his relationship with the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) would be life-long. This connection included shared protests around social issues, particularly those regarding race and racism.

Stenhouse began his formal training for the ministry at Union Theological Seminary in New York City upon completion of his studies at Haverford. During this period he served at the Presbyterian Church of the Master. A member of an interracial ministerial staff, he was director of a racially integrated summer camp program sponsored by the Church and Morningside Community Center. In 1953, after earning his master's of divinity in systematic theology and ordination in the United Presbyterian Church U.S.A., he served as first Assistant and then Associate Pastor of the Presbyterian Church of the Master until 1958. Shortly afterwards, Stenhouse accepted a teaching position at Paine College in Augusta, GA where he taught religion and philosophy for 2 years, and in 1963 he became the Dean of Students/Dean of Student Affairs until 1971. At the same time he pursued a Ph.D. in philosophy of religion from the University of Denver, Colorado. His dissertation, "Current Status of Chief Student Personnel Administrators in United Negro College Fund Member Institutions," provided a description and analysis of the status of the chief student personnel administrations in relation to current and future professional trends in the administration of these services.

A pacifist and supporter of nonviolence as a means of advancing social change, Stenhouse participated in sit-ins at a local Woolworth store and in several area churches in Augusta challenging the persistent laws of racial segregation. A student of the nonviolent philosophies of Mahatma Gandhi and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., he gave his students at Paine College a thorough introduction to the philosophy and practice of nonviolence in the resolution of social conflict. As a result of his teachings and leadership, the students played a vital and substantial role in striving to maintain racial harmony and peace in Augusta during the racial disturbances of the 1960s. Also during this period, under Mrs. Stenhouse's leadership, a core of parents opened the community's first interracial kindergarten, Open Door, which is still in operation as of 2011.

In 1970, Dr. Chester Marcus, the Associate Regional Secretary for Africa in the United Church of Christ's United Church Board for World Ministries (UCBWM) in New York, invited Stenhouse to consider a mission to Africa. Stenhouse accepted the offer and in 1971, he and his wife, Ella, a licensed practical nurse and certified teacher, went to Ghana to serve as UCBWM missionaries for six years. They were assigned to the Evangelical Presbyterian Church Seminary in Peki Blengo where Stenhouse began his work serving in the Evangelical school as a teacher. A year later he became principal of the school after the then principal, Dr. Reverend C. K. Dovlo, was promoted to Moderator of the Church and relocated to Ho, Ghana. Among other things, Stenhouse used his position to work for the inclusion of women in the Seminary and encourage self-reliance for his African pupils, which was not wholeheartedly embraced

by his white U.S. colleagues and other missionaries working in Africa. Because there were very few individuals of African descent from the U.S. involved as missionaries or in leadership roles within the UCBWM, Stenhouse often found himself functioning as a buffer, mediator, and advocate in direct response to the conservative views and actions taken by missionaries and colleagues.

In 1977, Stenhouse became the Associate Regional Secretary for Africa under Dr. Marcus and moved back to New York to the UCBWM offices. He was named Acting Regional Secretary in 1979 after Marcus had a stroke, and officially assumed the position of Regional Secretary of Africa two years later. As Regional Secretary, Stenhouse was responsible for coordinating the work of over thirty missionaries in ten African nations (Ghana, Togo, South Africa, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Mozambique, Botswana, Angola, Lesotho, and Namibia). In this capacity, he maintained oversight of the regional budget, programs, and relationships tied to the Africa office, one of 6 regions (Africa, East Asia, Southern Asia, Europe, Latin America/Caribbean/Oceania, and Middle East) served by the UCBWM. As part of his duties he made numerous trips to visit the missionaries and churches in the countries within his region between 1979-1984. He also attended the independence celebration of Zimbabwe (formerly Rhodesia) from British rule in 1980 and visited other countries (Kenya, Swaziland, and Zaire) in addition to those within his region.

In 1984, Stenhouse took a leave of absence from his position as African Regional Secretary for personal and family reasons. However, his commitment to increase the number of black and other minority missionaries resulted in his becoming a UCBWM consultant for the UCC Black Constituency and the Council of Racial and Ethnic Ministries (COREM), two internal organizations that were, in part, charged with building participation of underrepresented groups in the missionary corps. He was replaced by an interim Regional Secretary, and when he did not return to that position Andrea Young was hired to fill the position permanently in 1985.

Within a month of assuming the consultancy, Stenhouse proposed a new position that expanded the liaison role that he was fulfilling between the United Black Christians and UCC to incorporate other racial/ethnic groups. The proposed position would increase the interest, participation, and assignment of qualified members of racial and ethnic groups in UCBWM overseas mission and service programs. Although the goals for the position were broadly multiracial/multiethnic in intention, efforts to increase the commitment of Christians of African descent to overseas ministries were fore-grounded.

Stenhouse's decision to broaden the scope of the consultancy appears to have been the result of ongoing conversations among the UCC's racial and ethnic organizations regarding the lack of diversity among UCBWM personnel, as well as the perception that these groups were not treated as equals within the organization, and that limited communication contributed to the entrenched underrepresentation of missionaries. Stenhouse's proposal called for an executive position within the UCBWM, thus centralizing the recruitment efforts of blacks and the other constituent minority groups/organizations. Specific goals entailed increasing personal contact between UCBWM and the various underrepresented groups via outreach and recruitment, and evaluating and securing feedback from constituent groups on their awareness of overseas missions and their overall perceptions of UCBWM. As described by an internal memo, Stenhouse's new role would "develop[ing] a new program of relationships within the UCC in the USA." A news article further described the new initiative as "developing an integrated global mission." Although Stenhouse held the consultancy for a little over a year, his recruitment efforts established and confirmed the inconsistencies between UCBWM policies and practices internally and overseas through surveys and feedback that he obtained. His proposal and subsequent role ultimately served to facilitate the initial phase of an initiative to improve the role and image of the UCBWM in the view of minority constituents. In addition to carrying out the formal goals, Stenhouse advocated policy changes, among them that the consultant position be included in the UCC/UCBWM budget and that it be a permanent position.

During his time as a consultant, Stenhouse remained attentive to issues in Africa. In particular, he participated in a planned apartheid protest demonstration at the South Africa embassy in Washington, DC. in 1985, where he was arrested. The issue of apartheid was persistently discussed among his colleagues and Stenhouse was outspoken on the issue of U.S. government and corporate divestiture.

Stenhouse retired in 1985. In 1987 he suffered a stroke and died in 1993. He was survived by his wife, Ella and three children, Richard, Jr., David and Vera.

## **Scope and Content Note**

The Richard E. Stenhouse, Sr. Papers, 1943-1990 document his career as a minister, college instructor and administrator, and missionary and administrator in the United Church Board for World Ministries, one of the largest church missionary organizations in the world. The collection is arranged in four series with the bulk dates spanning the 1940s through the 1980s. Stenhouse's correspondence, sermons, and presentation notes consistently include mentions of people, places, and events that detail the history, areas of convergence and divergence among the experiences of the peoples of Africa and African descendent peoples in the United States.

**Arrangement:** The collection is arranged in four series with the bulk dates spanning the 1940s through the 1980s: Personal Papers; United Church Board for World Ministries; United Church of Christ - Printed Material; and Subject Files. Stenhouse's correspondence, sermons, and presentation notes consistently include mentions of people, places, and events that detail the history, areas of convergence and divergence among the experiences of the peoples of Africa and African descendent peoples in the United States.

## **Key Terms**

### **Geographic Names**

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### **Occupations**

African American clergy.

### **Subjects**

African American missionaries  
Civilian Public Service--History.  
Evangelical Presbyterian Church  
Missionaries--Africa.  
Paine College  
United Church of Christ--Clergy.  
World War, 1939-1945--Conscientious objectors--United States.

### **Names**

Richard Eugene Stenhouse, Sr.

## Container List

### Personal Papers 1943 - 1980s

The Personal Papers series is arranged in chronological order and includes three subseries: education, sermons and Paine College.

The earliest material relates to Stenhouse's conscription in the Civilian Public Service. Materials include his draft notice and typewritten explanation of his decision to be a conscientious objector. A folder of program bulletins provides information on his activities as a visiting or participating minister at different churches, 1968-1984 and undated. The correspondence, 1978-1988, n.d. includes letters (1985-1986) from overseas church partners regarding his retirement from the United Church Board for World Ministries (UCBWM). Newspaper clippings, 1968-1984, include articles in which Stenhouse discussed his position on various political, social, and/or economic issues happening in the African continent, specifically South Africa and apartheid; and the role of nonviolence in securing freedoms/rights.

#### Education

The Education subseries includes transcripts, course papers, and copies of his master's thesis, *The Mysticism of Isaac Pennington* and his dissertation, *Current Status of Chief Student Personnel Administrators in United Negro College Fund Member Institutions*.

- b. 1 f. 1 Civilian Public Service 1943-1945, 1988, 1990
- b. 1 f. 2 Visa Applications
- b. 1 f. 3 General Correspondence 1978-1988
- b. 1 f. 4 Overseas Church Partners - Retirement Citation Letters 1985-1986
- b. 1 f. 5 Dual Ministerial Relationship with United Church of Christ 1980-1981
- b. 1 f. 6 Ministerial Program Bulletins (Participating Minister, Attending Function) 1978-1984
- b. 1 f. 7 Newspaper Clippings 1968-1984
- b. 1 f. 8 Transcripts, grade reports, and other documents
- b. 1 f. 9 The Beatitudes: Original Course Paper, 1947 (Revised Version, July 25, 1985, Union Theological Seminary)
- b. 1 f. 10 William Penn College Course Work 1949
- b. 1 f. 11 Master's Thesis: "The Mysticism of Isaac Pennington" 1950 May 10
- b. 1 f. 12 Various papers on Higher Education 1964
- b. 1 f. 13 Education Foundations – (Doctoral Studies Course) Spring 1967
- b. 1 f. 14 Statistics – Education Measurement (Doctoral Studies Course) Summer 1967
- b. 1 f. 15 Philosophy Related Courses (Philosophy of Education; Science; Stoicism; American Philosophy) 1967 - 1968
- b. 1 f. 16 Ph.D. Dissertation: "Current Status of Chief Student Personnel Administrations in United Negro College Fund Member Institution" December 1968
- b. 1 f. 17 Commencement Program – University of Denver 1969 June 10
- b. 1 f. 18 Religion Coursework (Bible Translations/Catechism Course; Old Testament Course)
- b. 1 f. 19 Judaism
- b. 1 f. 20 Course Notes 1963
- b. 1 f. 21 Prophets
- b. 1 f. 22 World Religions Course
- b. 1 f. 23 Prayers and Poetry 1954 -1955

Personal Papers (cont.)

Sermons 1950s - 1980s

Stenhouse's Sermons, 1950's-1980's and undated, are thematic as well as institutional in focus, such as those written and/or delivered at the Church of the Master (mostly 1950s) during his tenure as assistant and associate pastor, and guest minister there as well at Paine College and the Evangelical Church Peki Blengo in Ghana. There are also retreat and lecture notes related to the Religious Society of Friends (Pendle Hill). The sermons consist mostly of handwritten notes, ideas, as well as full sermons. Some sermons are not always annotated and could have been written during his time as a student at Union Theological Seminary. Those dated in the 1980s tend to focus on Africa as a whole or are specific to a country usually connected to either a political and/or Christian/Biblical related topic.

- b. 1 f. 24 Gospel Themes
- b. 1 f. 25 New Testament Themes Homiletics circa 1950s
- b. 1 f. 26 Church of the Master circa 1950s
- b. 1 f. 27 Guest Minister - Church of the Master, Paine College 1950s - 1960s
- b. 2 f. 1 Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) – Retreat Notes, Lecture Notes (Including Pendle Hill) 1960s
- b. 2 f. 2 Evangelical Church Peki Blengo Chapel, Ghana - Guest Minister, 1970s  
1980s
- b. 2 f. 3 Sermons, undated

Paine College 1960 - 1971

The Paine College subseries, 1960 - 1971, is arranged chronologically and includes correspondence, reports, faculty contracts as Dean of Students, and a smattering of college related material such as the accreditation self-study publication (in which Stenhouse is acknowledged as a contributor), and a 1961 yearbook. The series also contains a folder of material (memos, correspondence, affidavits, news clippings) on the race riots in Augusta and Paine College student involvement in the May 1970 disturbances.

- b. 2 f. 4 Dean of Students, Religion Instructor – Contracts 1959, 1963-1966, 1969-1971
- b. 2 f. 5 Faculty Loan 1974-1975
- b. 2 f. 6 Correspondence 1960-1967
- b. 2 f. 7 Correspondence 1968-1970
- b. 2 f. 8 Dean of Student Affairs – Reports and Memorandum 1959-1971
- b. 2 f. 9 The Lion (Yearbook) 1961
- b. 2 f. 10 Paine College Journal Summer 1969
- b. 2 f. 11 Catalog 1969 - 1970
- b. 2 f. 13 "Paine College Institutional Self Study" – Vol. II 1971
- b. 2 f. 14 Programs for College Related Events 1981, 1983
- b. 2 f. 15 Augusta, Ga. Riot and Related Events 1970 May 11 - 14
- b. 2 f. 16 Augusta, Georgia – Riot and Related Events; Newspaper Clippings 1970  
May 11 - 27

United Church Board for World Ministries 1970 - 1985

The United Church Board for World Ministries (UCBWM) series, 1970-1985, is the largest and most comprehensive series of the collection and includes three subseries: Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Africa Regional Secretary, and the Council for Racial and Ethnic Minorities. It is arranged chronologically, following Stenhouse's recruitment and subsequent work as a missionary in Ghana, West Africa through his position as Regional Secretary providing oversight for the United Church of Christ's (UCC) UCBWM missionary work in Africa, and his work as a consultant with the UCC's Council for Racial and Ethnic Minorities.

United Church Board for World Ministries (cont.)

**Evangelical Presbyterian Church**

The Evangelical Presbyterian Church sub-series begins with the initial correspondence between Stenhouse and Dr. Chester Marcus, the Africa Regional Secretary at that time. Additional correspondence includes exchanges with Marcus during Stenhouse's tenure in Ghana, as well as correspondence with Dr. Reverend C. K. Dovlo, the Moderator of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Ho, Ghana and the person whom Stenhouse replaced as principal of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church Seminary. Dovlo and Stenhouse maintained an extensive communication regarding the work of the church, its support of the indigenous communities, and the development of catechists and evangelists.

- b. 2 f. 17 Recruitment and Preparation for Overseas Travel - Correspondence 1970 - 1971
- b. 2 f. 18 Correspondence - Ghana 1971-1979, 1981
- b. 2 f. 19 Ho, Ghana (Volta Region) 1971 - 1984
- b. 2 f. 20 Evangelical Presbyterian Church Seminary, Blengo Peki, Ghana 1971 - 1978
- b. 2 f. 21 Growth of the Ewe Presbyterian Church in Peki: The Peki Centenary Booklet, 1847 - 1947 by Edmund Y. Tawia
- b. 2 f. 22 Calendars 1973, 1975 - 1977
- b. 2 f. 23 New Testament Courses
- b. 2 f. 24 Correspondence - Overseas Ministries Study Center – Ventor, New Jersey 1976 - 1977
- b. 2 f. 25 Correspondence - Employment Search 1976 - 1978
- b. 2 f. 26 Compensation 1978 - 1985
- b. 2 f. 27 World Hunger Action Site Team 1980 - 1981

United Church Board for World Ministries (cont.)

Africa Regional Secretary

The Africa Regional Secretary sub-series covers Stenhouse's work in the position, which included oversight of UCC partners and UCBWM personnel in ten African countries: Angola, Botswana, Ghana, Lesotho, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Togo, Zambia, and Zimbabwe. Materials include personnel paperwork (job description and job evaluations), reports, correspondence, budgets and expenditures, and various project descriptions. The group of folders that comprise the Africa Field Trips includes Stenhouse's summaries and full reports of six trips to Africa taken from 1979-1984. The trips were made to several countries primarily in the western and southern regions of Africa that fell under his area of responsibility (e.g., Ghana, Togo, Zambia, and Zimbabwe) and included other countries (e.g., Kenya, Malawi, Swaziland, Zaire), which he visited for conferences or to meet with UCC partners and UCBWM personnel. In addition to the Africa Field Trips, the correspondence contains letters between and among missionaries that discuss problems and concerns that provide deeper insights into the nature of the tensions among UCBWM missionaries, Stenhouse, and the church partners they were charged to serve. These folders are arranged chronologically and include country and names of the missionaries. There is also correspondence containing information on specific churches, seminaries or projects, relevant to the Africa office during Stenhouse's tenure as Secretary. The effort at Inanda Seminary in South Africa was a particular project of interest to him because of its leadership by a woman and focus on education and liberation for girls and women.

Speaking engagements and invitations to meetings reflect the significance of Stenhouse's experiences in Africa, not only for him, but for the organizations and congregations that wanted to learn first-hand about the unique and similar struggles for liberation, cultural self-determination, and governance experienced throughout the African continent, and in many instances juxtaposed with the U.S. experience.

Budgets and operating protocols for the Africa office are captured through information prepared for meetings of the Board of Directors, budget proposals, and other financial data, from 1980-1986 and are arranged in chronological order.

Other materials of interest in the subseries include a folder with information on Andrea Young after she became the African Regional Secretary containing a memo she wrote regarding the lack of support and negative attitude towards the UCBWM's African partners. The subseries concludes with UCBWM board meeting material as it pertained to Africa and other issues; annual reports, overseas personnel handbooks, directories, and UCC/UCBWM history highlights timeline.

- b. 3 f. 1 Job Descriptions 1984, 1988
- b. 3 f. 2 Performance Reviews – Africa Regional Secretary 1984
- b. 3 f. 3 Richard Stenhouse - Performance Evaluations 1978 - 1984
- b. 3 f. 4 Speaking Engagements (Invited) 1978, 1981 - 1982, 1986
- b. 3 f. 5 Correspondence, United Church of Christ in Zimbabwe 1977-1986
- b. 3 f. 6 Zimbabwe - Youth Training Program – Scholarships 1981-1983
- b. 3 f. 7 Ricatla Seminary, Mozambique 1981-1983
- b. 3 f. 8 Inanda Seminary, South Africa 1982-1984
- b. 3 f. 9 Ghana Missionaries - David and Shelia Doss 1982-1983
- b. 3 f. 10 Togo – Projets Techniques et Sociaux, 1982-1985 (Brian Aldrich) ; Missionaries (B. & G. Skaggs)Term Report, 1982-1985
- b. 3 f. 11 Zaire, Kenya Missionary - Charles T. Hein 1983-1984
- b. 3 f. 12 Zimbabwe Missionaries - Sarah Perrault and Ann Crane 1983-1984
- b. 3 f. 13 Zimbabwe Missionaries - Jim and Jean Winter 1983-1984
- b. 3 f. 14 Swaziland and Mozambique - Missionaries – Scott and Carol Gilley; Bishop Mkhabele – General Information 1983, 1985, 1987-1989
- b. 3 f. 15 United Church of Zambia 1984
- b. 3 f. 16 Mwalimu David R. Burgest 1980-1985
- b. 3 f. 17 Daniel Marolen – Reporter, "Big Red News" Re South Africa 1984

United Church Board for World Ministries (cont.)  
Africa Regional Secretary (cont.)

- b. 3 f. 18 Trip Summaries 1979 - 1984
- b. 3 f. 19 Reports 1979 January 19 - March 2
- b. 3 f. 20 Reports 1980 April 7 - May 10
- b. 3 f. 21 Reports 1981 April 12 - May 15
- b. 3 f. 22 Reports 1982 March 1 - April 1
- b. 3 f. 23 Reports 1984 March 4 - April 3
- b. 3 f. 24 Africa Committee Study Tour 1983 May 29 - June 16
- b. 3 f. 25 Africa - Budget 1979 - 1980
- b. 3 f. 26 Africa - Budget 1980 - 1981
- b. 3 f. 27 Missionary Salaries and Other Expenses 1984
- b. 3 f. 28 South Africa – Budget Presentation 1983
- b. 3 f. 29 Africa - Budget, All Regions 1984 - 1985
- b. 3 f. 30 Africa - Budget, All Regions 1985 - 1986
- b. 3 f. 31 Projections and Actual, Memo Account Balances, Budget Recapitulations  
1980 - 1985
- b. 3 f. 32 Africa 1982 Budget Projection – Prepared January- September 1981
- b. 3 f. 33 Proposal 1983
- b. 3 f. 34 Budget Proposal and Recapitulation 1984
- b. 3 f. 35 Program and Evaluation, 1981-1983 and Budget Projection (Africa), 1985
- b. 3 f. 36 UCBWM Current Program Fund 1984-1985
- b. 3 f. 37 "UCBWM Selected Financial Facts 1984 - 1985" 1985 July 31
- b. 3 f. 38 Third World Theology 1978
- b. 3 f. 39 Brian Colley, - Application for Overseas Service 1978-1979, 1982
- b. 3 f. 40 Newsletter - "Update / Corporate Briefing / Africa" 1971, 1978-1985
- b. 3 f. 41 Botswana Theological Training Program - Second 5-Year Development  
Proposal 1981
- b. 3 f. 42 Scenario 1982-1986: African Region; Case Study: "Hilda Sharp Visit to  
Partner Church in Africa" 1982 - 1986
- b. 3 f. 43 Newsletter edited by R. E. Stenhouse – "Africa Regionwide – Country  
Data," 1982-1984
- b. 3 f. 44 Status of Missionaries (Africa)- Lists 1984 April
- b. 3 f. 45 "Year 175: A Brief History of the UCBWM" and Annual Meeting Material  
1984
- b. 3 f. 46 Mission Personnel Conference 1984 June 30 - July 4, 1985 June 23 - June 27
- b. 3 f. 47 Financial Contributions to UCBWM Missions 1984-1985
- b. 3 f. 48 Acting Africa Regional Secretary - Gene Johnson 1985
- b. 3 f. 49 Africa Regional Secretary – Andrea Young 1985-1986
- b. 3 f. 50 Africa Committee – Correspondence and Minutes 1982, 1984 - 1985
- b. 3 f. 51 Report: "Zimbabwe: Our Stake in a New Nation" 1980 June 23
- b. 3 f. 52 Division of World Service – Report of General Secretary to the Africa  
Regional Strategy Committee/Board of Directors' Meeting 1984
- b. 4 f. 1 Meeting Materials 1983 - 1984
- b. 4 f. 2 Meeting Packet November 13 - 14, 1985

United Church Board for World Ministries (cont.)  
Africa Regional Secretary (cont.)

- b. 4 f. 3 "Highlights from Our History, 1806-1978"
- b. 4 f. 4 Handbook for Overseas Personnel of the United Church Board for World Ministries 1978
- b. 4 f. 5 Handbook for Overseas Personnel of the United Church Board for World Ministries, Revised 1984
- b. 4 f. 6 Staff Administrative Procedures 1984-1986
- b. 4 f. 7 Executive Staff Policy – Minutes 1984-1986
- b. 4 f. 8 Staff, Directors, Corporate Members 1979 - 1984
- b. 4 f. 9 Telephone Directory – Interchurch Center 1980 January
- b. 4 f. 10 Telephone Directory – Interchurch Center 1986
- b. 4 f. 11 "Whole Earth Newsletter" – Published by UCBWM 1982 - 1987
- b. 4 f. 12 167th Annual Report 1977/Calendar of Prayer, 1978-1979; 170th Annual Report 1980/ Calendar of Prayer, 1981-1982
- b. 4 f. 13 172nd Annual Report 1982/Calendar of Prayer, 1983-1984; 173rd Annual Report 1983/Calendar of Prayer, 1984-1985
- b. 4 f. 14 175th Anniversary Year Annual Report 1984/Calendar of Prayer, 1985-1986; 175th Annual Report 1985/Calendar of Prayer, 1986-1987
- b. 4 f. 15 Minutes of the 174th Annual Meeting 1983
- b. 4 f. 16 UCBWM Brochures

Council for Racial and Ethnic Minorities 1984 - 1985

The Council for Racial and Ethnic Minorities sub-series, 1984-1985, is arranged in chronological order. Materials reflect the activities and accounting of racial and ethnic minorities' recruitment and involvement in missionary work. The subseries includes the proposal and scope of work for Stenhouse's consultancy, correspondence, reports, meetings, position papers, recruitment materials, contacts for outreach, as well as affirmative action reports and other resources that Stenhouse gathered. There are also files for the various organizations that he worked with, among them the Council for Hispanic Ministries, United Black Christians, and the Council for American Indian Ministries, and a "Directory of Blacks...(Includes Asian Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Pacific Islanders)." Of note is the documentation that shows the extent of his travel to various regions to discuss COREM's initiatives.

- b. 4 f. 17 Consultancy Proposal, Memoranda, Resolution re Position 1984-1985
- b. 4 f. 18 Consulting Budgets 1984
- b. 4 f. 19 Correspondence 1984-1985
- b. 4 f. 20 Reports (Progress Report) 1984-1985
- b. 4 f. 21 Report on Minority Recruitment Spring 1985
- b. 4 f. 22 Recruitment Materials – Completed Applications
- b. 4 f. 23 Rosters
- b. 4 f. 24 Contacts for Outreach
- b. 4 f. 25 Resolutions; Policies and Procedures; Conference Call Meeting Notes 1984-1985
- b. 4 f. 26 United Black Christians and Ministers for Racial and Social Justice – Position Papers
- b. 4 f. 27 "Ministers for Racial and Social Justice: Networking" by Jesse N. Alexander, Jr 1984
- b. 4 f. 28 United Black Christians Correspondence 1984-1985
- b. 4 f. 29 Newsletters, Conference Materials, and Form Letters 1984-1988

United Church Board for World Ministries (cont.)  
Council for Racial and Ethnic Minorities (cont.)

- b. 4 f. 30 United Church of Christ - National Black Staff 1983 - 1984, 1987
- b. 4 f. 31 Council for Hispanic Ministries 1984
- b. 4 f. 32 Council for American Indian Ministries 1986
- b. 4 f. 33 Hawai'i Gathering 1984 December 13 - 16
- b. 4 f. 34 Andover Newton Theological School World Awareness Week 1985 March 4 - 5
- b. 4 f. 35 Stony Point Meeting 1985 March 13 - 14
- b. 4 f. 36 Council for Higher Education of the United Church of Christ - Annual Meeting 1985 April 16 - 18
- b. 4 f. 37 New York Meeting 1985 November 7 - 9
- b. 5 f. 1 Working Paper - Shockley, Grant S., "The Involvement of Ethnic Minority Persons in Overseas Mission in the United Methodist Church and its Predecessors, 1942-1977" 1978
- b. 5 f. 2 Inclusive Language Guidelines 1980, 1984
- b. 5 f. 3 Human Resources Data – Jesse N. Alexander, Jr., Affirmative Action Coordinator 1983-1985
- b. 5 f. 4 Metropolitan Black Clergy Association 1986-1988
- b. 5 f. 5 Jesse N. Alexander, Jr. – Affirmative Action Recruitment 1989
- b. 5 f. 6 "Directory of Blacks...(Includes Asian Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Pacific Islanders)" circa 1982
- b. 5 f. 7 Partner Churches - Roster 1984 July

United Church of Christ - Printed Material 1983 - 1990

The United Church of Christ - Printed Material series, 1983-1990 and undated, is arranged chronologically and contains a variety of publications published by the UCC, including the New York Conference Yearbook, Minutes and Directory, 1989-1990, and material related to the 14th and 15th General Synods.

- b. 5 f. 8 14th General Synod Advance Materials - Sections II, V, VI 1983 June 24 - 28
- b. 5 f. 9 Delegate's Handbook, Program, Reports, and miscellany 1982-1983
- b. 5 f. 10 15th General Synod Advance Materials - Sections: I, II, III 1985 June 27 - July 2
- b. 5 f. 11 Program, Handbook, Registration Form, and miscellany 1984-1985
- b. 5 f. 12 Proposed Pronouncements, Priorities and Resolutions; Reports 1985
- b. 5 f. 13 Minutes 1985 June 27 - July 2
- b. 5 f. 14 New York Conference Yearbook, Minutes, and Directory 1989-1990

Subject Files 1960s - 1989

The Subject Files series consists of printed material and is arranged alphabetically by African nation, and then topically, with the bulk concerning South Africa. In particular, one folder contains information regarding a 1985 demonstration at the South Africa Embassy in Washington, DC and Stenhouse's subsequent arrest for participating in the demonstration.

Information on Operation Crossroads Africa, 1977-1980, can also be found in this series. The precursor (founded in 1958) to the more prominently known Peace Corps model of cross-cultural engagement, Operation Crossroads Africa focused on encouraging Americans, African Americans in particular, to visit, learn, and engage with the people of Africa as a means of reconnecting with historic roots as well as strengthening cross-cultural understanding. Pamphlets, brochures, and recruitment materials comprise the information in the file. Additional material covers religion, evangelism and Islam in the continent of Africa.

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