Summary

**Creator:** Beth Ha-Tefilah Ethiopian Hebrew Congregation (Mount Vernon, N.Y.)

**Title:** Beth Ha-Tefilah Ethiopian Hebrew Congregation records

**Date:** 1963-1992

**Size:** .2 linear feet

**Source:** Gift, Leana Yahonatan, July 1996

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**Access:** Advance notice required.

**Preferred citation:** Beth Ha-Tefilah Ethiopian Hebrew Congregation records, Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, The New York Public Library

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