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## Administrative History:

Reverend Curtis W. Harris was born in Dendron, Virginia on July 1, 1924 to Mr. Sandy Harris and Mrs. Thelma Harris. He attended Hopewell public schools, Virginia Union University, and received his pastoral training through the Medical College of Virginia. Harris' list of positions held include but are not limited to: serving as pastor at Union Baptist and Little Gilford Baptist churches, president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and mayor of Hopewell, Virginia. Harris has also been the recipient to numerous awards and proclamations for his involvement with the Civil Rights movement and the overall advancement of the Hopewell community.

By Rev. Harris' side for over fifty years was Ruth Jones, whom he wedded in 1946. Ruth founded Hopewell's Union Day Care Center in the early 1970's as well as a program for senior citizens. She served on Hopewell's Senior Citizen Commission in the early to mid-1980 and as an avid supporter of racial equality she cared for the home, six children and business while Rev. Harris was on the front lines for the cause.

## Scope and Contents

This collection contains biographical information relating to Reverend Curtis W. Harris, Ruth Jones Harris, Hopewell community members and calendars for the Harris family. Included in the collection are documents relating to Reverend Harris' time spent serving on Hopewell's City Council, materials from the churches Rev. Harris served, as well as his involvement with the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. In addition to this material are photo albums, pertaining to church related programs/activities and events at the Union Day Care Center, and artifacts.

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## Arrangement of Materials:

The collection is divided into six (6) series. Due to keeping as close to original order as possible, materials in each folder vary in form and may have a wide range of years. Folders in each series are arranged chronologically by the first date stated and then alphabetically if pertaining the same start date. Items in the folders have been left in the original arrangement, which means items may or may not be in chronological order.

Series 1 contains biographic materials. Series 2 contains documents relating church and ministry materials. It is composed of three (3) sub-series: Bethany Baptist, Ministry, and Union Baptist. Series 3 is for material relating to the town of Hopewell and contains two (2) sub-series for City Council and Hopewell Community. Series 4 contains digital photographs but also a collection from photo albums. It is important to note that his series contains newspaper articles that Reverend Harris placed in his photo album collection. Series 5 is titled SCLC/Civil Rights and is divided into the sub-series Civil Right and SCLC. Series 6 includes artifacts, which are housed with the Manuscripts Artifact Collection.

## Description of Subordinate Components

### **Series 1: Biography**

**Unit ID** id240911

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313361

**Unit Date** 1971-2012, undated

#### **Scope and Contents**

Series includes biographical information relating to Reverend Curtis W. Harris, Ruth Jones Harris, Hopewell community members and calendars for the Harris family.

### **Rev. Curtis Harris Biographical Information**

**Unit ID** id240919

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313388

**Unit Date** undated

**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Contains several copies of different biographical information for Rev. Harris from various events. Includes a pencil portrait of Dr. Harris, 1994

### **Correspondence to Curtis Harris and Biographic Material**

**Unit ID** id240921

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313389

**Unit Date** 1971-2008, undated

**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 2 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Contains biographies that include life events and places of work. Correspondence that includes telegrams and letters from community members, family, and state and local representatives.

### **Curtis and Ruth Recognition**

**Unit ID** id240922

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313390

**Unit Date** 1988-2011

**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Items include city proclamations, awards program, certificates of appreciation, and booklets commemorating years of service.

### **Family Snapshot Calender**

**Unit ID** id240924

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313391

**Unit Date** 1993-1998

**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Contains several family made calendars but the family is not specifically stated, possibly the Harris or Washington family.

### **Harris Family Calendar, Part 1**

**Unit ID** id240925

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313392

**Unit Date** 1995-2002

**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

### **Harris Family Calendar, Part 2**

**Unit ID** id240926

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313393

**Unit Date** 2003-2007

**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 6 (Folder)

### **Harris Family Calendar, Part 3**

**Unit ID** id240929

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313394

**Unit Date** 2008-2012

**Mixed Materials** 2 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

### **Community Biographies and Funeral Information**

**Unit ID** id240930

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313395

**Unit Date** 1998, undated

**Mixed Materials** 2 (Box)

**Container** 2 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Items consist of undated biographical sketches of community members and announcement for funeral proceedings.

## **Washington Family**

**Unit ID** id240931

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313396

**Unit Date** 1998-2006, undated

**Mixed Materials** 2 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Contains information for Washington family reunions, marriage license, and family calendar.

## **Banquets and Inauguration**

**Unit ID** id240932

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313397

**Unit Date** 2006-2009, undated

**Mixed Materials** 2 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Photographs from an awards banquets, Presidential Inauguration Invitation, and other information pertaining to the Inauguration.

## **Series 2: Church and Ministry**

**Unit ID** id240935

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313362

**Unit Date** 1957-2010, undated

### **Scope and Contents**

This series is divided into three (3) sub-series: Bethany Baptist, Union Baptist, and Ministry. The entire series contains documents that relate to church/ministry materials. Material vary in form but include church bulletins, conference programs, materials from Minister Wives and Widows association, and church specific announcements/correspondences.

## **Bethany Baptist**

**Unit ID** id240937

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313369

**Unit Date** 1957-2010, undated

### **Annual Session**

**Unit ID** id240939

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313445

**Unit Date** 1957, 1971-1973

**Mixed Materials** 2 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Contains booklets with the minutes for the Bethany Baptist Association Annual Session.

### **Annual Session**

**Unit ID** id240940

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313446

**Unit Date** 1973-1976

**Mixed Materials** 2 (Box)

**Container** 6 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Contains booklet with the minutes for the Bethany Baptist Association Annual Session.

**Annual Session**

**Unit ID** id240943

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313447

**Unit Date** 1976-1979

**Mixed Materials** 3 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Contains booklets with the minutes for the Bethany Baptist Association Annual Session.

**Annual Session**

**Unit ID** id240945

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313448

**Unit Date** 1980-1982

**Mixed Materials** 3 (Box)

**Container** 2 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Contains booklets with the minutes for the Bethany Baptist Association Annual Session.

**Annual Session**

**Unit ID** id240946

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313449

**Unit Date** 1982-1983

**Mixed Materials** 3 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Contains booklets with the minutes for the Bethany Baptist Association Annual Session.

**Annual Session**

**Unit ID** id240948

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313450

**Unit Date** 1984-1987

**Mixed Materials** 3 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Contains booklets with the minutes for the Bethany Baptist Association Annual Session.

**Annual Session**

**Unit ID** id240950

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313451

**Unit Date** 1987-1989

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Contains booklets with the minutes for the Bethany Baptist Association Annual Session.

**Annual Session**

**Unit ID** id240951

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313452

**Unit Date** 1990-1993

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container 2** (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Contains booklets with the minutes for the Bethany Baptist Association Annual Session.

**Annual Session**

**Unit ID** id240953

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313453

**Unit Date** 1993-1996

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container 3** (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Contains booklets with the minutes for the Bethany Baptist Association Annual Session.

**Annual Session**

**Unit ID** id240954

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313454

**Unit Date** 1996-2000

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

**Container 4** (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Contains booklets with the minutes for the Bethany Baptist Association Annual Session.

**Annual Session**

**Unit ID** id240957

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313455

**Unit Date** 2001-2003

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

**Container 1** (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Contains booklets with the minutes for the Bethany Baptist Association Annual Session.

**Annual Session**

**Unit ID** id240958

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313456

**Unit Date** 2003-2010

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

**Container 2** (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Contains booklets with the minutes for the Bethany Baptist Association Annual Session.

**Queens Contest and Women's Retreat**

**Unit ID** id240959

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313457

**Unit Date** 1990-2000, undated

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

**Container 3** (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

This folder consists of church memos and a brief Rev. Harris biographical sketch but primarily contains information about the women's convention, queens contest, and member information.

**Newsletters and Memos**

**Unit ID** id240960

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313458

**Unit Date** 1991-1993

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Memos for the music committee are included with the church newsletter titled "Flashes".

**Memos and Correspondence**

**Unit ID** id240961

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313459

**Unit Date** 1993-1994

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

This folder contains memos and correspondence letters to the church as well as church address lists.

**Bethany Baptist Association**

**Unit ID** id240962

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313460

**Unit Date** 1994-1997, undated

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

**Container** 6 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

This folder contains a variety of letters to the congregation, lists of names and addresses for association members and photographs of a U.S. map.

**Bulletins, Memos, and Convention Information**

**Unit ID** id240963

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313461

**Unit Date** 1994-1996, undated

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

**Container** 7 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Church memos, unfinished bulletins, and church address list. Additional items include correspondence from Rev. Harris.

**Bethany Baptist Association**

**Unit ID** id240964

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313462

**Unit Date** 1995, undated

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

**Container** 8 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Contains minutes, programs, memos and agenda for Bethany Baptist Association meetings. Additional items are lists of addresses for church and Virginia County administrations.

**Letters and Memos**

**Unit ID** id241010

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313463

**Unit Date** 1995-1998

**Mixed Materials** 6 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Memos to Bethany Baptist association members, fund raising material, church congregation letters, and information about the queens contest.

**Budget, Bulletins, and Retreat**

**Unit ID** id241011

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313464

**Unit Date** 1996-1998, undated

**Mixed Materials** 6 (Box)

**Container** 2 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

This folder contains several bulletins that are not finished, budget information, retreat information, and a few correspondence letters.

**Sharing and Caring, Sunday School**

**Unit ID** id241012

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313465

**Unit Date** 1996, undated

**Mixed Materials** 6 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Member list of the sharing and caring, donation listing for sharing and caring, church listing of participants, and Bethany Baptist Association Sunday School Superintendents list.

**Joint Session and Convention**

**Unit ID** id241013

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313466

**Unit Date** 1996-1998

**Mixed Materials** 6 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Program for the 29th Annual Joint Session and memos from Bethany Baptist.

**Rally and Convention**

**Unit ID** id241014

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313467

**Unit Date** 1996-1997, undated

**Mixed Materials** 6 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Program for meetings, member listing, and committee leaders listing.

**One Day Session and Spring Institute****Unit ID** id241015**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313468**Unit Date** 1997-1998**Mixed Materials** 6 (Box)**Container** 6 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Programs for meeting, listing for courses offered, and church memos. Other items include service program and flyer for the 1997-98 Advent service.

**Evaluation Form****Unit ID** id241016**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313469**Unit Date** 1998**Mixed Materials** 6 (Box)**Container** 7 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

This folder contains evaluations forms for 29th annual joint session meeting.

**Fall Institute****Unit ID** id241017**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313470**Unit Date** 1998**Mixed Materials** 6 (Box)**Container** 8 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

This folder contains information pertaining to directions, classes, and memos pertaining to the Fall Institute.

**Stony Creek High School****Unit ID** id241018**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313471**Unit Date** 1998-1999**Mixed Materials** 6 (Box)**Container** 9 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Items include documents relating to the building survey of the former Stony Creek Jr. High School.

**Trustees, Board, and Women's Convention****Unit ID** id241019**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313472**Unit Date** 1998**Mixed Materials** 6 (Box)**Container** 10 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Items include information and memos for board meetings, listings of trustee members, and programs for women's retreat.

### **Women's Auxiliary and Convention**

**Unit ID** id241020

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313473

**Unit Date** 1998-1999, undated

**Mixed Materials** 6 (Box)

**Container** 11 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

This folder contains memos to the president and members of the Bethany Baptist Association and Allied Bodies pertaining to the Women's Convention. Other items include a partial bulletin, and listing of the women participating in the Women's convention.

### **Advent Service, and Ceremony**

**Unit ID** id241021

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313474

**Unit Date** 2007-2009, undated

**Mixed Materials** 6 (Box)

**Container** 12 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Items in this folder include an outline for a dedication ceremony, program for Harris banquet, and service pamphlet for a funeral.

### **Ministry**

**Unit ID** id241022

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313370

**Unit Date** 1969-2010, undated

### **First Baptist**

**Unit ID** id241024

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313475

**Unit Date** 1969, 1996-2004, undated

**Mixed Materials** 7 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Items include Anniversary and souvenir programs for First Baptist Church.

### **Churches in or near Petersburg, Hopewell, and Surrounding Area**

**Unit ID** id241025

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313476

**Unit Date** 1971-2005

**Mixed Materials** 7 (Box)

**Container** 2 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

This folder includes programs and booklets pertaining to Usher's Union, Prince George and Vicinities Baptist Churches, and Friendship Baptist Church. Additional items included graduation program, banquet program in honor of Rev. Harris, and correspondence to Rev. Harris.

### **Ivor, Virginia**

**Unit ID** id241026

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313477

**Unit Date** 1973-2008

**Mixed Materials** 7 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

This folder contains bulletins, anniversary booklets, and tribute programs for Rev. Harris from Little Gilfield and Gilfield Baptist Church.

**Ministers' Wives and Widows, Part 1**

**Unit ID** id241027

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313478

**Unit Date** 1974-1975, 1986, undated

**Mixed Materials** 7 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Items in this folder include booklets for the history and membership directory for the Ministers' Wives and Widows association.

**Ministers' Wives and Widows, Part 2**

**Unit ID** id241028

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313479

**Unit Date** 2000-2010

**Mixed Materials** 7 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

This folder contains three booklets for the Ministers' Wives and Widows conferences. It also includes the name tag of Ruth Jones that will be stored with the artifacts as well as a service program.

**VA Baptist State Convention**

**Unit ID** id241232

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313480

**Unit Date** 1995-2010, undated

**Mixed Materials** 8 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Items include Virginia Baptist State Convention Blue Ribbon Commission Strategy, program, and newsletter information from the Virginia Baptist State Convention.

**Sermons**

**Unit ID** id241233

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313481

**Unit Date** 2007, undated

**Mixed Materials** 8 (Box)

**Container** 2 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

All items in this folder are sermon printouts or notes of Rev. Harris.

**Union Baptist**

**Unit ID** id241234

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313371

**Unit Date** 1964-2009, undated

**Church Correspondence**

**Unit ID** id241236

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313482

**Unit Date** 1964-1968

**Mixed Materials** 8 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

This folder contains correspondence to and from Rev. Harris but also contains some letters by Ruth Harris.

**Souvenir Programs**

**Unit ID** id241237

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313483

**Unit Date** 1964-2007

**Mixed Materials** 8 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Five souvenir programs for the anniversary of the church are contained in this folder.

**Programs**

**Unit ID** id241238

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313484

**Unit Date** 1969-2007

**Mixed Materials** 8 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Contents include: Programs for a testimony, church anniversary and a Ministers' Wives and Widows event.

**Church Correspondence**

**Unit ID** id241239

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313485

**Unit Date** 1973-2008

**Mixed Materials** 8 (Box)

**Container** 6 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Items in this folder are correspondence from Rev. Harris and other church leaders. Additional items include information about the Juneteenth event and certificate of distinction.

**Bulletins, Part 1**

**Unit ID** id241240

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313486

**Unit Date** 1983, 1993-1999, undated

**Mixed Materials** 8 (Box)

**Container** 7 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Primarily consist of bulletins but also included are by-laws for church clubs.

**Bulletins, Part 2**

**Unit ID** id241241

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313487

**Unit Date** 1997-1999

**Mixed Materials** 8 (Box)

**Container** 8 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

All items in this folder are bulletins from the church.

### **Events, Budget, and Letters**

**Unit ID** id241242

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313488

**Unit Date** 1984-1997

**Mixed Materials** 8 (Box)

**Container** 9 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Letters in this folder are from Ruth Harris, Rev. Harris and other pastors. Other items are programs and flyers for church events, service programs, and roster of church membership.

### **Pastor Anniversary**

**Unit ID** id241244

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313489

**Unit Date** 1988, undated

**Mixed Materials** 9 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Contents include: programs honoring Rev. Harris, anniversary cards from community members, and photocopied photographs.

### **Back to School and Memos**

**Unit ID** id241245

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313490

**Unit Date** 1993-1998

**Mixed Materials** 9 (Box)

**Container** 2 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Memos, certificate of recognition and back to school information.

### **Letters and Press Release**

**Unit ID** id241246

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313491

**Unit Date** 1993-1999

**Mixed Materials** 9 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

This folder is primarily comprised of letters and correspondence from Rev. Harris. Other items include information from Hopewell Housing authority, computer literacy survey, and press release.

### **Congregation Contribution and Budget**

**Unit ID** id241247

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313492

**Unit Date** 1995-1998

**Mixed Materials** 9 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Items in this folder contain information regarding donations/contributions made by church members, rally financial contributions, and church budget proposals.

## **Convention, Committees, Finances, and Daycare**

**Unit ID** id241248

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313493

**Unit Date** 1996-1998

**Mixed Materials** 9 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Items in this folder consist of flyers for conventions, list of committees with their members, income proposal/financial reports, and pictures of day care facilities in need of repair.

## **Dedication Program and Guest Speakers**

**Unit ID** id241249

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313494

**Unit Date** 1996-1998, undated

**Mixed Materials** 9 (Box)

**Container** 6 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Dedication program from Oliver Hill Courts building, work verification/reference letter, and biographic/introductory material for guest Spears are located in this folder.

## **Men's Meeting and Budget Report**

**Unit ID** id241250

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313495

**Unit Date** 1996-1998

**Mixed Materials** 9 (Box)

**Container** 7 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Items primarily consist of budget/financial reports but also included in this folder are memo's for men's meeting.

## **Fellowship and Revival**

**Unit ID** id241251

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313496

**Unit Date** 1997-1998

**Mixed Materials** 9 (Box)

**Container** 8 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Materials in this folder inform the congregation members of the upcoming revival and fellowship.

## **Martin Luther King Jr.**

**Unit ID** id241252

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313497

**Unit Date** 1997

**Mixed Materials** 9 (Box)

**Container** 9 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Memos for Martin Luther King memorial breakfast, letters from the SCLC stating meeting will be held at Union Baptist and a script for a play are included in this folder. An additional item includes a blank petition for the Circuit Court of the City of Hopewell.

### **Vacation Bible School and Women's Day**

**Unit ID** id241253

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313498

**Unit Date** 1997, undated

**Mixed Materials** 9 (Box)

**Container** 10 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

This folder contains letters from Rev. Harris, introductory notes for guests, information on VBS (Vacation Bible School), and the Women's Day financial report.

### **Committees, Christmas, and Bible Study**

**Unit ID** id241254

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313499

**Unit Date** 1998-1999

**Mixed Materials** 9 (Box)

**Container** 11 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

List of committees and their members, names of trustees, bible study booklet, and Christmas greeting letter are included in this folder.

### **Missionary, Music, Revival, and Passion Week**

**Unit ID** id241255

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313500

**Unit Date** 1999, undated

**Mixed Materials** 9 (Box)

**Container** 12 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Items include music ministry leaders and their salary, flyers and memos for Vacation Bible School, revivals, and Passion Week are also included.

### **Retreat and Facilitator**

**Unit ID** id241256

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313501

**Unit Date** 2005

**Mixed Materials** 9 (Box)

**Container** 13 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Comprised mainly of a PowerPoint printout and informational packet for the Welcome and Introduction of Facilitator. Other items include flyers for retreat.

### **Member List**

**Unit ID** id241257

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313502

**Unit Date** Undated

**Mixed Materials** 9 (Box)

**Container** 14 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

List of church members and pledge of service cards.

### **Series 3: Hopewell**

**Unit ID** id241258

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313363

**Unit Date** 1959-2009, undated

### **Scope and Contents**

This series documents meetings of Hopewell city council, correspondence from state and local representatives, depositions, school board, and Hopewell community news/events.

### **City Council**

**Unit ID** id241259

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313372

**Unit Date** 1959-2009, undated

### **Recall and Correspondence**

**Unit ID** id241261

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313503

**Unit Date** 1959, 1999-2003, undated

**Mixed Materials** 10 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Newspaper clippings pertaining to the election recall, petition of removal from office, and letters of correspondence are included in this folder.

### **House and Energy**

**Unit ID** id241262

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313504

**Unit Date** 1963, 2009

**Mixed Materials** 10 (Box)

**Container** 2 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

A letter to Rev. Harris regarding the school board and city council, data from the city attorney, and information about Hopewell's house energy and water funding.

### **Curtis Election and Press Releases**

**Unit ID** id241263

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313505

**Unit Date** 1967, 2006-2008

**Mixed Materials** 10 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Items in this folder include flyer for Harris' senate campaign, correspondence regarding environmental issues, and press release for removal of city councilors. Additional items include receipts for city council purchases and information regarding an equal employment opportunity case.

### **Citizen Letters, News Clippings, and City Documents**

**Unit ID** id241264

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313506

**Unit Date** 1968-2008

**Mixed Materials** 10 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

This folder contains and invitation to White House for Clinton's welcoming of Nelson Mandela, letters of complaints from citizens, and congratulatory letters.

**Osage Bio-Energy, Campaigns, and Correspondence****Unit ID** id241265**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313507**Unit Date** 1971-1974, 1992-2009, undated**Mixed Materials** 10 (Box)**Container** 5 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

News articles for information about Osage Bio-Energy and Harris' campaigns as well as several letters of correspondence to Rev. Harris are included in this folder.

**Blount Deposition****Unit ID** id241266**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313508**Unit Date** 1982**Mixed Materials** 10 (Box)**Container** 6 (Folder)**Butterworth Deposition****Unit ID** id241267**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313509**Unit Date** 1982**Mixed Materials** 10 (Box)**Container** 7 (Folder)**Edmonds Deposition****Unit ID** id241269**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313510**Unit Date** 1982**Mixed Materials** 11 (Box)**Container** 1 (Folder)**Elder Deposition****Unit ID** id241270**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313511**Unit Date** 1982**Mixed Materials** 11 (Box)**Container** 2 (Folder)**Hyatt Deposition****Unit ID** id241271**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313512**Unit Date** 1982**Mixed Materials** 11 (Box)**Container** 3 (Folder)**Parr Deposition****Unit ID** id241272**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313513**Unit Date** 1982**Mixed Materials** 11 (Box)**Container** 4 (Folder)

**Sober Deposition**

**Unit ID** id241273

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313514

**Unit Date** 1982

**Mixed Materials** 11 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

**Strong's Deposition**

**Unit ID** id241274

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313515

**Unit Date** 1982

**Mixed Materials** 11 (Box)

**Container** 6 (Folder)

**Vergara's Deposition**

**Unit ID** id241275

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313516

**Unit Date** 1982

**Mixed Materials** 11 (Box)

**Container** 7 (Folder)

**Work Session**

**Unit ID** id241276

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313517

**Unit Date** 1988-2009, undated

**Mixed Materials** 11 (Box)

**Container** 8 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Items from July 16, 2008 meeting and include memos, correspondence, and a pamphlet for Harris' election campaign.

**City of Hopewell**

**Unit ID** id241278

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313518

**Unit Date** 1995-1996

**Mixed Materials** 12 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

This folder contains budget approval and a photocopy blueprint of Hopewell's Visitor Center.

**Joint Council Meeting**

**Unit ID** id241279

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313519

**Unit Date** 1995, 1998

**Mixed Materials** 12 (Box)

**Container** 2 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Included in this folder are the topics of discussion and meeting minutes from the Joint Council Meeting on May 1, 1998.

**City Council Meetings**

**Unit ID** id241280

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313520

**Unit Date** 1996-2008

**Mixed Materials** 12 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

This folder contains letters, memos, programs, and the agenda/minutes of city council meetings.

**Development and Newsletters**

**Unit ID** id241281

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313521

**Unit Date** 1996-1998

**Mixed Materials** 12 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

This folder contains interdepartmental newsletters about the duties of the cities departments.

**City Council**

**Unit ID** id241282

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313522

**Unit Date** 1997-1998

**Mixed Materials** 12 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Included in this folder are the topics of discussion and newsletter from the City Council Meeting on May 22, 1998.

**State and Local Government**

**Unit ID** id241283

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313523

**Unit Date** 1997-1998, undated

**Mixed Materials** 12 (Box)

**Container** 6 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Items in this folder relate to Virginia's Municipal League and the National League of Cities.

**All-American City**

**Unit ID** id241284

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313524

**Unit Date** 1998

**Mixed Materials** 12 (Box)

**Container** 7 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

The information in this folder relates to the application process and background information about the All American City award.

**Budget Request and Receipts****Unit ID** id241285**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313525**Unit Date** 1998**Mixed Materials** 12 (Box)**Container** 8 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Items in this folder include receipts for employee travel expenses, budget request, and interdepartmental newsletters.

**Community Reports****Unit ID** id241287**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313526**Unit Date** 1998**Mixed Materials** 13 (Box)**Container** 1 (Folder)**Council Meeting****Unit ID** id241288**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313527**Unit Date** 1998 May**Mixed Materials** 13 (Box)**Container** 2 (Folder)**Council Meeting****Unit ID** id241289**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313528**Unit Date** 1998 May**Mixed Materials** 13 (Box)**Container** 3 (Folder)**Council Meeting****Unit ID** id241290**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313529**Unit Date** 1998 June**Mixed Materials** 13 (Box)**Container** 4 (Folder)**Council Meeting****Unit ID** id241291**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313530**Unit Date** 1998 June, undated**Mixed Materials** 13 (Box)**Container** 5 (Folder)**Council Meeting****Unit ID** id241292**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313531**Unit Date** 1998 June, undated**Mixed Materials** 13 (Box)**Container** 6 (Folder)

**Council Meeting****Unit ID** id241294**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313532**Unit Date** 1998 October**Mixed Materials** 14 (Box)**Container** 1 (Folder)**Council Meeting****Unit ID** id241295**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313533**Unit Date** 1998 November, undated**Mixed Materials** 14 (Box)**Container** 2 (Folder)**Council Meeting****Unit ID** id241296**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313534**Unit Date** 1998 November, undated**Mixed Materials** 14 (Box)**Container** 3 (Folder)**Education and Curfew****Unit ID** id241297**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313535**Unit Date** 1998, undated**Mixed Materials** 14 (Box)**Container** 4 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Interdepartmental newsletters, business plans, materials proposing a curfew for minors, and information regarding the school system.

**Resolutions and Escrow Agreement****Unit ID** id241298**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313536**Unit Date** 1998**Mixed Materials** 14 (Box)**Container** 5 (Folder)**Tri-Cities Long Range Transportation Plan****Unit ID** id241299**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313537**Unit Date** 1998**Mixed Materials** 14 (Box)**Container** 6 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Documents relating to the transportation plan for Petersburg, Colonial Heights, and Hopewell, Virginia.

**Vice Mayor: Youth in Government Day****Unit ID** id241301**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313538**Unit Date** 1998**Mixed Materials** 15 (Box)**Container** 1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Contains information about the Youth in Government Day.

**City Attorney Documents****Unit ID** id241302**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313539**Unit Date** 1999**Mixed Materials** 15 (Box)**Container** 2 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

This folder contains a birthday card from Mark Warner and a booklet from the city attorney.

**Council Meeting****Unit ID** id241303**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313540**Unit Date** 1999 February**Mixed Materials** 15 (Box)**Container** 3 (Folder)**Council Meeting****Unit ID** id241304**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313541**Unit Date** 1999 February**Mixed Materials** 15 (Box)**Container** 4 (Folder)**Tour and Butterworth****Unit ID** id241305**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313542**Unit Date** 1999, 2008**Mixed Materials** 15 (Box)**Container** 5 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Information regarding city tour and Butterworth lofts.

**Council Meeting and Legislative Program****Unit ID** id241307**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313543**Unit Date** 2007-2008**Mixed Materials** 16 (Box)**Container** 1 (Folder)

**Education, Environment, and News**

**Unit ID** id241308

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313544

**Unit Date** 2007-2009, undated

**Mixed Materials** 16 (Box)

**Container** 2 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Capital project for Hopewell Schools, community concerns, and city policies.

**Newsletters, Proposal, and Banking**

**Unit ID** id241309

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313545

**Unit Date** 2008

**Mixed Materials** 16 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Proposal for federal lobbying, banking information, VA newsletters, and business correspondence.

**Council Meeting**

**Unit ID** id241310

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313546

**Unit Date** 2008 May

**Mixed Materials** 16 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

**Council Meeting**

**Unit ID** id241311

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313547

**Unit Date** 2008 May

**Mixed Materials** 16 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

**Council Meeting**

**Unit ID** id241313

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313548

**Unit Date** 2009 February

**Mixed Materials** 17 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

**Hopewell Community**

**Unit ID** id241314

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313373

**Unit Date** 1959-2009, undated

**History, Plays, and Education**

**Unit ID** id241316

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313549

**Unit Date** 1959, 1980-2000, undated

**Mixed Materials** 17 (Box)

**Container** 2 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Letter to the community, commencement program for Hopewell High School, pictures from an unknown gathering, Hopewell history souvenir program, and a black history calendar from Dupont Elementary.

**Union Day Care**

**Unit ID** id241317

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313550

**Unit Date** 1971-1972, undated

**Mixed Materials** 17 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Documents relating meeting minutes, charter, and by-laws of Union Day Care Center.

**Telegrams and City Resolutions/Proclamations**

**Unit ID** id241318

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313374

**Unit Date** 1963-2009, undated

**Mixed Materials** Manuscripts Oversize Box 18 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Photocopies of western union telegrams stating voter support, and city resolutions/proclamations in honor of Rev. Harris.

**Reverend Curtis Harris Campaign Posters**

**Unit ID** id241319

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313375

**Unit Date** 1994-2001

**Mixed Materials** 2 (Oversize Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Several campaign posters are included in the collection.

**Series 4: Photographs**

**Unit ID** id241320

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313364

**Unit Date** 1950-2008

**Scope and Contents**

This series includes digital photographs and non-digital photographs. Many of the non-digital photo albums are about the Union Day Care Center and church events; however, included in this series are several newspaper articles and non-photograph related items that were originally stored in photo album binders.

**Gilfield Baptist**

**Unit ID** id241322

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313416

**Unit Date** 1950-1980, 2003

**Mixed Materials** 17 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Certificates, letters and photographs from events held by Gilfield Baptist.

**Harris Certificates****Unit ID** id241323**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313417**Unit Date** 1950-1990**Mixed Materials** 17 (Box)**Container** 5 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

This folder contains a variety of awards and certificates presented to Reverend Harris.

**Hopewell Community, Part 1****Unit ID** id241324**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313418**Unit Date** 1950-2000**Mixed Materials** 17 (Box)**Container** 6 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Pictures, flyers, service announcements, and newspapers articles relating to the Hopewell community.

**Hopewell Community, Part 2****Unit ID** id241328**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313419**Unit Date** 1950-2000**Mixed Materials** 18 (Box)**Container** 1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Pictures, flyers, service announcements, and newspapers articles relating to the Hopewell community.

**Postcard Album****Unit ID** id241330**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313420**Unit Date** 1960**Mixed Materials** 18 (Box)**Container** 2 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Collection of postcards that was sent to Curtis Harris from his father.

**Church and Families, Part 1****Unit ID** id241331**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313421**Unit Date** 1970-1980**Mixed Materials** 18 (Box)**Container** 3 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Pictures relating to church events and of the congregation's families.

**Church and Families, Part 2****Unit ID** id241332**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313422**Unit Date** 1970-1980**Mixed Materials** 18 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Pictures relating to church events and of the congregation's families.

**Church and Families, Part 3**

**Unit ID** id241333

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313423

**Unit Date** 1970-1990

**Mixed Materials** 18 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Pictures relating to church events and of the congregation's families.

**Church and Ministry, Part 1**

**Unit ID** id241334

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313424

**Unit Date** 1960-1980

**Mixed Materials** 18 (Box)

**Container** 6 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Pictures relating to church events and of the congregation's families.

**Burch and Ministry, Part 2**

**Unit ID** id241439

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313425

**Unit Date** 1990-2001, undated

**Mixed Materials** 19 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Pictures relating to church events and of the congregation's families.

**Harris Certificates and Correspondence**

**Unit ID** id241440

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313426

**Unit Date** 1970-2000

**Mixed Materials** 19 (Box)

**Container** 2 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

This folder contains a variety of awards/certificates presented to Reverend Harris, letters of correspondence, news articles, and invitations for events.

**Union Day Care, Part 1**

**Unit ID** id241441

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313427

**Unit Date** 1973, 1984-1988

**Mixed Materials** 19 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

### **Union Day Care, Part 2**

**Unit ID** id241442

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313428

**Unit Date** 1975, 1985, undated

**Mixed Materials** 19 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

### **Union Day Care, Part 3**

**Unit ID** id241443

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313429

**Unit Date** 1982-1986

**Mixed Materials** 19 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

### **Union Day Care, Part 4**

**Unit ID** id241444

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313430

**Unit Date** 1990, undated

**Mixed Materials** 19 (Box)

**Container** 6 (Folder)

### **Union Day Care, Part 5**

**Unit ID** id241446

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313431

**Unit Date** 1996-2002, undated

**Mixed Materials** 20 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Pictures relating to events and daily operations of Union Day Care.

### **Union Day Care, Part 6**

**Unit ID** id241447

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313432

**Unit Date** 1997-2000, undated

**Mixed Materials** 20 (Box)

**Container** 2 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Pictures relating to events and daily operations of Union Day Care.

### **Newspaper Articles, Part 1**

**Unit ID** id241448

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313433

**Unit Date** 1996-2007, undated

**Mixed Materials** 20 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Newspaper articles relating to Hopewell, churches, and the SCLC.

## **Newspaper Articles, Part 2**

**Unit ID** id241449

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313434

**Unit Date** 2003-2005

**Mixed Materials** 20 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Newspaper articles relating to Hopewell, churches, and the SCLC.

## **Southern Christian Leadership Conference**

**Unit ID** id241450

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313435

**Unit Date** 1998

**Mixed Materials** 20 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Photographs of SCLC events.

## **Awards Ceremony**

**Unit ID** id241451

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313436

**Unit Date** 1999

**Mixed Materials** 20 (Box)

**Container** 6 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Photographs of SCLC awards ceremony.

## **Presidential Inauguration Photo Albums**

**Unit ID** id241498

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313437

**Unit Date** 2008

**Mixed Materials** 27 (Box)

### **Scope and Contents**

Contains two photo albums given to Rev. Harris of the 2008 Presidential Inauguration of President Barak Obama.

## **Series 5: Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) and Civil Rights**

**Unit ID** id241452

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313365

**Unit Date** 1962-2009

### **Scope and Contents**

This series documents the history of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and Rev. Harris' involvement as President. Included in the SCLC sub-series is material relating to Martin Luther King Jr. and information on cases pertaining to equal opportunity employment. The sub-series titled Civil Rights contain articles relating to injustices throughout the United States but did not have a specific link to or involvement of the SCLC.

## **Civil Rights**

**Unit ID** id241453

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313381

**Unit Date** 1962-2007

**Booklets and Programs**

**Unit ID** id241455

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313551

**Unit Date** 1962-2007

**Mixed Materials** 21 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

**Newspaper Articles**

**Unit ID** id241456

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313552

**Unit Date** 1968

**Mixed Materials** 21 (Box)

**Container** 2 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Newspaper articles relating to local (Hopewell) voting.

**News Articles, Part 1**

**Unit ID** id241457

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313553

**Unit Date** 1970-1990

**Mixed Materials** 21 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

This folders contains articles relating to African American involvement in churches and government.

**News Articles, Part 2**

**Unit ID** id241458

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313554

**Unit Date** 1970-1990

**Mixed Materials** 21 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

This folders contains articles relating to African American involvement in churches and government.

**Violence**

**Unit ID** id241459

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313555

**Unit Date** 1997

**Mixed Materials** 21 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Newspaper articles relating to civil rights violations and crimes against African Americans.

**Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC)**

**Unit ID** id241460

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313382

**Unit Date** 1964-2009

## **SCLC History Books, Magazine, and Equal Opportunity**

**Unit ID** id241462

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313556

**Unit Date** 1964-1999, undated

**Mixed Materials** 21 (Box)

**Container** 6 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Items include several books/booklets relating to the history of the SCLC, a tribute booklet for Curtis Harris, and documents pertaining to local government's equal opportunity employment.

## **Virginia Units**

**Unit ID** id241463

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313557

**Unit Date** 1964-1997

**Mixed Materials** 21 (Box)

**Container** 7 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Letters, programs, pamphlets, and news articles relating to SCLC chapters in Virginia.

## **Booklets and Programs**

**Unit ID** id241465

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313558

**Unit Date** 1966-2000

**Mixed Materials** 22 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Martin Luther King Jr. book and other items relating to conferences and conventions of the SCLC.

## **Convention Booklets**

**Unit ID** id241466

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313559

**Unit Date** 1968-1989

**Mixed Materials** 22 (Box)

**Container** 2 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Booklets relating to conferences and conventions of the SCLC.

## **Conference, Letters, and Gas Protest**

**Unit ID** id241467

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313560

**Unit Date** 1973-1991, undated

**Mixed Materials** 22 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

News articles for SCLC's boycott of high gas prices, photos of Rev. Harris at a march in Alabama, and letters of correspondence.

### **Correspondence, Unity Day, and News Articles**

**Unit ID** id241468

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313561

**Unit Date** 1978-1997, undated

**Mixed Materials** 22 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Items include: Correspondence letters, information on Unity Day and news articles about Harris and the SCLC.

### **Martin Luther King, Harris, and Member Information**

**Unit ID** id241469

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313562

**Unit Date** 1981-2008, undated

**Mixed Materials** 22 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Items include: Program for MLK birthday celebration and information on members.

### **Memos, Voting, and Discrimination**

**Unit ID** id241470

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313563

**Unit Date** 1983, 2003

**Mixed Materials** 22 (Box)

**Container** 6 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Items include: Information on historic highway marker, SCLC memos, voting information, and articles on discrimination.

### **Conference and Bylaws**

**Unit ID** id241471

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313564

**Unit Date** 1986-2006, undated

**Mixed Materials** 22 (Box)

**Container** 7 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Conference programs, resolution to support human rights of Smithfield workers, and bylaws of the SCLC.

### **News and Media**

**Unit ID** id241473

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313565

**Unit Date** 1987-1990, undated

**Mixed Materials** 23 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

News articles and media/press information releases on Rev. Harris and the SCLC.

## **Conference, Correspondence and Equal Opportunity**

**Unit ID** id241474

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313566

**Unit Date** 1988-1996, undated

**Mixed Materials** 23 (Box)

**Container** 2 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Memos and correspondence from the SCLC, letter from the Housing authority, articles about the SCLC and hate crimes, and a case from the equal opportunity commission are included in this folder.

## **Conventions, Conferences, and News**

**Unit ID** id241475

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313567

**Unit Date** 1989-2009, undated

**Mixed Materials** 23 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

## **Chapter Development, Newsletters, and NAACP Conference**

**Unit ID** id241476

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313568

**Unit Date** 1991-2007

**Mixed Materials** 23 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

## **Letters, Memos, and Conference Information**

**Unit ID** id241477

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313569

**Unit Date** 1994-2009, undated

**Mixed Materials** 23 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Items in this folder are mainly comprised of letters/memos from the SCLC.

## **SCLC Women and Virginia Unit Meeting Minutes**

**Unit ID** id241478

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313570

**Unit Date** 1994-2009

**Mixed Materials** 23 (Box)

**Container** 6 (Folder)

### **Scope and Contents**

Items include programs and flyers for functions of the SCLC Women and documents relating to the meeting minutes of the Virginia unit.

## **Memos**

**Unit ID** id241479

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313571

**Unit Date** 1996, 2009

**Mixed Materials** 23 (Box)

**Container** 7 (Folder)

**Conference, Meeting Minutes, Membership**

**Unit ID** id241481

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313572

**Unit Date** 1998-2006

**Mixed Materials** 24 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

**Leadership Conference**

**Unit ID** id241482

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313573

**Unit Date** 1999-2009

**Mixed Materials** 24 (Box)

**Container** 2 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Items include: Program from Southeast Community Days, SCLC presentation and SCLC conference program.

**Membership**

**Unit ID** id241483

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313574

**Unit Date** 2002-2003

**Mixed Materials** 24 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

**Letters and Board Meetings**

**Unit ID** id241484

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313575

**Unit Date** 2005-2007

**Mixed Materials** 24 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

**African American Community Concerns and Equal Opportunity**

**Unit ID** id241485

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313576

**Unit Date** 2007-2008, undated

**Mixed Materials** 24 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Items in this folder primarily include letters of concern from the African American Community and information on equal opportunity cases.

**Conference and Equal Opportunity**

**Unit ID** id241486

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313577

**Unit Date** 2007-2009

**Mixed Materials** 24 (Box)

**Container** 6 (Folder)

**Program, Meeting Minutes, and Equal Opportunity****Unit ID** id241488**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313578**Unit Date** 2007-2009**Mixed Materials** 25 (Box)**Container** 1 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

Items in this folder primarily include conference programs, meeting minutes and information on equal opportunity cases.

**Suit/Audit Tax Documents, Part 1****Unit ID** id241489**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313579**Unit Date** 2007-2008**Mixed Materials** 25 (Box)**Container** 2 (Folder)**Suit/Audit Tax Documents, Part 2****Unit ID** id241490**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313580**Unit Date** 2007-2008**Mixed Materials** 25 (Box)**Container** 3 (Folder)**William Brown Case File, Part 1****Unit ID** id241491**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313581**Unit Date** 2008**Mixed Materials** 25 (Box)**Container** 4 (Folder)**William Brown Case File, Part 2****Unit ID** id241492**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313582**Unit Date** 2008**Mixed Materials** 25 (Box)**Container** 5 (Folder)**Juneteenth, Membership, and News Articles****Unit ID** id241494**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313583**Unit Date** 2008-2009**Mixed Materials** 26 (Box)**Container** 1 (Folder)**State and Local Meetings****Unit ID** id241495**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313584**Unit Date** 2008-2009**Mixed Materials** 26 (Box)

**Container 2** (Folder)

**Development Plan**

**Unit ID** id241496

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313585

**Unit Date** 2009

**Mixed Materials** 26 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

**Scope and Contents**

Booklet with information on the development plan for the Dillard area.

**Series 6: Artifacts**

**Unit ID** id267368

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313366

**Scope and Contents**

All artifacts received as part of the Curtis West Harris and Ruth Jones Harris Papers are housed in the Manuscripts Artifact Collection.

**32nd Annual Southern Christian Leadership Conference Button**

**Unit ID** id267388

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313383

**Unit Date** 1989 August 15-18

**Scope and Contents**

1-circular button that has a white top and a burgundy bottom on the front. On the white top "SCLC" is printed in burgundy and "SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE" is printed in burgundy under "SCLC." On the burgundy bottom "32ND ANNUAL CONVENTION/AUGUST 15-18, 1989/ ATLANTA, GEORGIA/DR. JOSEPH E. LOWERY/ PRESIDENT" is printed in white. The back of the button is silver and has a needle and hook so that the wearer can attach the button to his or her shirt. The button measures approximately 2.125in. and is in good condition. There is tarnish on the back of the button around the edges and in the center under the needle and hook. Located in the Manuscripts Artifact Collection. Mss 2014.006.01

**The International Association of Ministers' Wives and Ministers' Widows, Inc. Name Badge**

**Unit ID** id267394

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313384

**Unit Date** 2010 July 2-9

**Scope and Contents**

1- name badge that has a clear slip cover top, and a green and white ribbon bottom. The back of the slip cover top has a small silver needle and hook where the wearer can attach the badge to her shirt. The slip cover top has The International Association of Ministers' Wives and Ministers' Widows, Inc logo printed in black on the wearer's right. The association's name is printed in black above the logo and "DR. ELIZABETH COLES BOUEY, FOUNDER/ DR. JANIE CHARLES HOLMES, INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT" is printed in black below the logo. A green piece of paper is inserted inside the slip cover and has "Annual Convention/ Ruth J. Harris/Hopewell, VA/Atlanta, GA/ July 2-July 9, 2010" typed in black print on it. The Green ribbon at the bottom has "MEMBER" printed in gold on it and the white ribbon has "LIFE MEMBER" printed in gold on it. The badge measures approximately 5.5in. (length) x 4.5in. (width) and is in good condition. There are three small red stains under the "R" in "LIFE MEMBER" on the white ribbon. Located in the Manuscripts Artifact Collection. Mss 2014.006.02

**"I Helped Hang Poverty" Noose**

**Unit ID** id267372

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313385

**Unit Date** circa 1969

**Scope and Contents**

1-miniature white hangman's noose. Attached to the top of the noose is a brown tag. The brown tag

reads "POOR PEOPLE'S PRODUCTS" in a circle and "I Helped Hang Poverty" below it. Inside the circular "POOR PEOPLE'S PRODUCT" is a square that has text within it that reads, "THIS IS TO CERTIFY THE PRODUCT YOU HAVE PURCHASED IS GENUINE." The "I Helped Hang Poverty" noose was propaganda used by the Poor People's Campaign to bring attention to the plight of poor Americans. The Poor People's Campaign was a movement organized by Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference in 1968 with the aim of demanding economic and human rights for economically disadvantaged Americans of all races. The noose measures approximately 16in (tag included) and is in fair condition. The noose itself has suffered from discoloration and the rope edges that tie the noose together are frayed. In addition, there are black stains on the first three spirals of the noose and the left side of the knot that holds the tag. The tag has creases in the middle and is torn from the top right corner to the middle. There is white discoloration and a small brown stain above the "I" in "I Helped Hang Poverty" and there is a large brown stain under the word "Poverty." On the back of the tag there are large black spots along the top of the tag near the knot that holds the tag. There is also a small black stain on the bottom left corner of the tag. Located in the Manuscripts Artifact Collection, Textiles. Mss 2014.006.03

### **"What is a Pastor" Plaque**

**Unit ID** id267376

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313386

**Unit Date** circa 1980s

#### **Scope and Contents**

1- square wooden plaque with a lighter brown shape carved in the middle. Within the lighter brown shape is a poem printed in black block type. The poem titled "WHAT IS A PASTOR?" reads: "A pastor is someone/ who is chosen by God/ As a shepherd of souls in his care,/He's someone who comforts/ an unhappy heart/ with a smile or a word or a prayer./ A pastor is someone/ whose strength and devotion/ Enriches the living of others,/He's someone who preaches/ the wonderful message/ That in Jesus all men are brothers./ A pastor is someone/ whose goal is to follow/ A worthy and lofty ideal--/ To guide other souls/ in the straight paths of truth,/ To sympathize, comfort and heal." The back of the plaque has a red felt covering and a piece of tape attached to it in the middle that has "Done by Ruth Harris" written in pen. There is a hole drilled at the top center of the plaque presumably for mounting purposes. The plaque measures approximately 5.5in. (length) x 5.5in. (width) and is in excellent condition. There is evidence of chipping on the bottom left and right corners. Located in the Manuscripts Artifact Collection, Wood. Mss 2014.006.04

### **Rev. Dr. Curtis W. Harris Day Proclamation Plaque**

**Unit ID** id267378

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/313387

**Unit Date** 1992 July 5

#### **Scope and Contents**

1-wooden plaque with a glass-encased document mounted upon it. The document is on parchment paper and has the City Seal of Hopewell, Virginia at the bottom left of the document. Brass tacks affix the document and the glass to the wooden plaque. On the back of the plaque, there is a rounded notch at the top and on left side where one can hang the plaque on a hook. On the bottom, right corner of the back of the plaque there is a golden sticker that reads "CUSTOM MADE BY/ The Award Company of AMERICA/ 3200 Rice Mine Road N.E. / P.O. Box 2029/ Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401/ Call Toll Free 1-800-633-5953/ or Call 205-349-2990." The plaque was presented to Rev. Dr. Curtis W. Harris when D. Paul Karnes, mayor of Hopewell in 1997, declared July 5 Reverend Doctor Curtis W. Harris Day in Hopewell, Virginia. The plaque measures approximately 13.875in. (length) x 11.5in. (width) and is in good condition. The edges of the document poking out from under the glass have suffered yellow discoloration. There is an approximately 4.25in. scratch on the glass above the City Seal of Hopewell on the document. A smaller scratch is located just above the scratch above the Seal. There is an approximately 0.5in. piece of extended glass near the middle of the document beside the third "WHEREAS." In addition, there is an approximately 0.375in. chip in the glass at the very top of the document. Finally, there are scratches all over the wooden back and some chipping of the wood on all four corners of the plaque. Located in the Manuscripts Artifact Collection, Wood. Mss 2014.006.05