Thomas Road Baptist Church - TRBC

Record Group 3: General Materials

Collection Overview:

Title: General Materials
Creator: Thomas Road Baptist Church
Dates: 1976 – Current
Repository: Liberty University Archive
Extent: 0.56 linear feet
Abstract: This Record Group contains brochures, informational materials, historical materials, and anniversary materials.

Historical Note:

Thomas Road Baptist Church held their first service on June 17, 1956. The first service was held in Mountain View Elementary School. On June 21, 1956 a prayer meeting and organizational meeting was held where Dr. Jerry Falwell was formally made the pastor, the name Thomas Road Baptist Church was approved, a simple constitution and by-laws were approved and the first three trustees are elected. On June 24, 1956 the first church service was held in the Donald Duck Bottling Company building. In 1962 Thomas Road Baptist Church signed a contract with a construction company to build a new sanctuary. In 1969 building began on the octagon-shaped sanctuary based on a design by Thomas Jefferson. In 1973 the Securities and Exchange Commission sued the Church for fraud and deceit in connection with the bonds issued in 1971. The Church was cleared of all charges later that year. In 2002 Thomas Road Baptist Church became the first church to incorporate in Virginia since 1777. In 2006 the Church celebrated their 50th Anniversary and held their first service in the new sanctuary located on the North Campus of Liberty University.

Scope and Content Notes:

This Record Group is approximately 0.56 linear feet. It contains general church materials including brochures, informational materials, historical materials, and anniversary materials.

Administrative Notes:

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Related Materials:

Brief Description of the Collection:

TRBC 3:1-3 Box 1: General Materials, Events and Historical Materials

TRBC 3:1-3 Box 2: Restricted General Materials, Events and Historical Materials

Detailed Description of the Collection:

TRBC 3:1-3 Box 1

Sub-Group 1: General Materials

- Series 1: Informational Materials
  - Unit 1: Brochures and Fliers (*Oversize* TRBC-3 Folder 2A)
  - Unit 2: Informational Booklets (Undated)
  - Unit 3: Maps (*Oversize* TRBC-3 Folder 2B)
  - Unit 4: Ministry Listings
- Series 2: Miscellaneous Materials
  - Unit 1: Booklets
  - Unit 2: Papers
  - Unit 3: Certificates and Awards
  - Unit 4: Christmas Cards
  - Unit 5: Church Family Planner

Sub-Group 2: Events

- Series 1: Special Speakers
  - Unit 1: Miscellaneous Speakers
  - Unit 2: Robbie Hiner
  - Unit 3: Jim Soward
- Series 2: General Materials
  - Unit 1: Schedules of Events
- Series 3: General Events
  - Unit 1: Prayer Summit
  - Unit 2: Celebrate America (4th of July)
  - Unit 3: Christmas Specials
  - Unit 4: Foreign Trips

Unit 5: Miscellaneous Events

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Unit 6: Stewardship Banquet

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Unit 7: Complete the Miracle Celebration

Unit 8: Beast Feast (*Oversize* TRBC-3 Folder 1B)

Series 4: Conferences

Unit 1: Miscellaneous Conferences

Unit 2: Missions Conference

Folder A: 2007

Unit 3: National Baptist Bible Fellowship Conference

Unit 4: Sword of the Lord Conference

Unit 5: Bicentennial Conference for Pastors & Christian Workers

Sub-Group 3: Historical Materials

Series 1: Anniversary Materials

Unit 1: Anniversary Booklets

Unit 2: Silver Anniversary Materials (1956 – 1981)

Folder A: General Materials

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Folder B: Sermons and Letters

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Folder C: Timeline of Events

Unit 3: 50th Anniversary Materials (July 2, 2006)

Unit 4: Bicentennial/Patriotic Materials (1976) (*Oversize* TRBC-3 Folder 1A)

Unit 5: Founder's Day: April 22, 1977

Series 2: Histories of the Church

Unit 1: Miscellaneous Materials

Unit 2: Trivia Sheets

Unit 3: Yearly Reports