

SAMUEL M. MCCARTER COLLECTION
BAPT MSS #13
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INTRODUCTION: Rev. Samuel M. McCarter was a Baptist minister who served mainly in East Tennessee. His scrapbook contains various articles (some by him) that document individuals and issues in Baptist life over a forty-year period. The Bible and hymnal were given by Rev. Don Heiss of Jefferson City, TN.

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 2 BOXES (1 cubic foot)

HISTORICAL / BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH: Rev. McCarter was born June 17, 1870 in Gatlinburg, TN. He became a Christian November 9, 1885 and was baptized March 14, 1886 in White Oak Flats Baptist Church, Gatlinburg, TN. He was licensed to preach June 5, 1886 and was ordained the third Sunday in August 1893. He was educated at Carson-Newman College and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He went on to hold pastorates at Walesboro and Nortonburg, Indiana.

After seminary he went to First Church, Snohomish, Washington. He then went on to Howell Memorial Baptist Church in Nashville, TN. After four years he pastured at Elkton, KY for four years and then served four years as state evangelist in Kentucky. After this he went to First Baptist Church Lawrenceburg.

He then moved to Tennessee where he pastured First Baptist Church, Sevierville (1916 - 1917) and Church Hill Baptist Church. McCarter served McPheeters Bend Baptist Church (August 1916-November 1920), Madisonville Baptist Church (1921-1923), McPheeters Bend Baptist Church (January 1930-January 1937) as well as Bethel Baptist Church and Washburn Baptist Church. He was also active in associational work, serving as clerk of the Sweetwater Association and as moderator and clerk of the Jefferson County Association for eight years.

INCLUSIVE DATES: 1903 -1943

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTES: McCarter's scrapbook, hymnal and Bible provide a look into a Baptist preacher's world during the first half of the twentieth. Most of the articles give an impression of Baptist life in Tennessee as well as nationally during that time while highlighting various Baptist leaders and ministers as is reflected in the index.

SERIES DESCRIPTION:

Clippings
Correspondence
Manuscripts
Monographs (Bible & Hymnal)
Notes
Scrapbook

CONTAINER LISTS:

BOX 1 (See Also Index to scrapbook)

1. Scrapbook: "I begun this scrap book in July 1903 while pastor at Snohomish Washington"

Folder 1 Loose Pages

Folder 2 Loose Clippings

BOX 2

1. *Gospel Hymns Nos. 1 to 6 Complete* by Ira D. Sankey James McGranahan and Geo. C. Stebbins (Diamond Edition) The Biglow & Mani Co. New York Chicago / The John Church Co. Cincinnati Chicago New York (1894)

2. *The Self-Pronouncing Sunday-School Teachers Bible Containing the Old and New Testaments: Translated Out of the Original Tongues: and With the Former Translations Diligently Compared ??? Revised Philadelphia: National Publishing Company (1895)*
Contains various notes, clippings, etc.