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Introduction

This collection consists of approximately 0.5 metre of records of the Board of Evangelism and Social Action and three of its predecessors, the Committee on Evangelism, the Board of Moral and Social Reform and the Board of Social Service and Evangelism. The records cover the period 1907 to 1973 but the main concentration is on the period 1948-1973.

The records were deposited in the Archives at various times by various unknown donors and were re-catalogued and listed by Elspeth Reid in January 1989. Additional deposits are expected from the Board of Congregational Life.

This finding aid is listed as FA-EVAN.

Historical Sketch

The Board of Moral and Social Reform was authorized by the 33rd General Assembly in 1907 in response to a number of Overtures from Presbyteries on the questions of temperance and morality. Its first report to the General Assembly in 1908 shows that the new Board or Committee was quickly involved in inter-denominational conferences on moral reform. Its main areas of concern were temperance, gambling, Sabbath observance, labour rights, business morality and the care of criminals, mentally-handicapped, children and other vulnerable groups, as well as evangelism. The Committee on Evangelism was set up as a special committee of General Assembly in 1908. In 1911, when the Committee on Evangelism and the Board of Moral and Social Reform were amalgamated to form the Board of Social Service and Evangelism, the "social vice" or "social evil" (that is, prostitution and venereal diseases) was also a major concern. In 1914 the Board was amalgamated with Home Missions to form the Board of Home Missions and Social Service and this amalgamation remained in effect until church union in 1925.

Following the 1925 union, the Presbyterian Church in Canada re-organized its administration and the work of social reform and evangelism was placed under the General Board of Missions, while the Committee on Sabbath Observance dealt with that issue. In 1932 the General Assembly authorized the establishment of the Committee on Evangelism and this committee was also named to act as the Committee on Church Life and Work. In 1933 the committee was re-named the Committee on Evangelism and Church Life and Work. This was replaced in 1945 by the Board of Evangelism and Social Action.

In 1973 the Board of Evangelism and Social Action became a department of the new Board of Congregational Life, (see FA-BCL), which also included the National Committee of Presbyterian Men, (FA-MEN), the Board of Christian Education (FA-CHRED) and the Board of Stewardship and Budget (FA-STEW).

Archival Arrangement

This collection consists of approximately 2 cm of publications of the Board of Moral and Social Reform, 10 cm of publications of the Board of Social Service and Evangelism (c. 1913) and 35 cm of minutes, correspondence, publications and other records of the Board of Evangelism and Social Action.

The three Boards are arranged in chronological order. Publications are listed in alphabetical order by title.

Records of the Board of Evangelism and Social Action

Committee on Evangelism

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| 1973-1047-1-1 | 1911 | <u>New Testament Evangelism</u> T.B. Kilpatrick
1911; 313pp. |
| 1973-1047-1-2 | n.d. | <u>The Kootenay Campaign April and May
1909</u> T.B. Kilpatrick & J.G. Shearer
c. 1909; 40pp. |

Board of Moral and Social Reform

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| 1973-1008-1-1 | n.d. | Pamphlets
<u>Policy on Temperance Reform as
recommended by the General Assembly</u>
n.d.; 8pp.
<u>The Use of Tobacco by Young Persons.
The Act of Parliament to Restrain its
Use</u> Rev. J.G. Shearer, B.A., B.D.; n.d.;
4pp. |
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Board of Social Service and Evangelism

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| 1973-1009-1-1 | 1913 Mar. | Report of a Preliminary and General Social
Survey of Fort William, directed by the
Department of Temperance and Moral
Reform of the Methodist Church and the
Board of Social Service and Evangelism of
the Presbyterian Church
Researched and compiled by Bryce M.
Stewart. Photocopy; 1913; 36pp. |
| 1973-1009-1-2 | 1913 Mar | Report of a Preliminary and General Social
Survey of Port Arthur, directed by the
Department of Temperance and Moral
Reform of the Methodist Church and the
Board of Social Service and Evangelism of
the Presbyterian Church
Researched and compiled by Bryce M.
Stewart. Photocopy; 1913; 27pp. |
| 1973-1009-1-3 | n.d. | <u>The Double Standards of Morals and the
Social Diseases</u> Dr. Charles W. Eliot; n.d.;
8pp. |
| 1973-1009-1-4 | 1913 | <u>Rural Life in Canada Its Trend and Tasks</u>
John MacDougall
1913; 248pp. |

Board of Evangelism and Social Action

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| 1973-1010-1-1 | 1954 | Minutes |
| 1973-1010-1-2 | 1963 | Minutes |
| 1973-1010-1-3 | 1966 | Minutes |
| 1973-1010-1-4 | 1948 | Report to General Assembly
Mimeo copy of supplementary report to
report published in Acts & Proceedings |

Records of the Board of Evangelism and Social Action

1973-1010-1-5	n.d.	Report to Committee on the Administrative Needs of the Church
1973-1010-1-6	1969-1972	Recommendations adopted by General Assembly Circulars with copies of recommendations issued to ministers
1973-1010-1-7	1969-1971	Reports and recommendations Reports submitted to General Assembly, relating to training of Elders; Human Rights; Christian Responsibility and Poverty; Marriage, Divorce and Re-Marriage; Automation
1973-1010-1-8	n.d.	Reports on Evangelization of Children Includes material on church schools and reports and articles on religious education of children
1973-1010-1-9	n.d.	Lists of literature available from Board
1973-1010-1-10	1953; 1957	Committee on European Relief/Committee on Church Relief Abroad Minutes and correspondence
1973-1010-2-17	1972 June	Key 73 In Canada Newsletter
Publications		
1973-1010-2-5		<u>Advance in Christian Witness</u> series of pamphlets <u>The Ministry as a Life Work</u> <u>Gambling and the Gospel</u> <u>The Church and Alcohol</u> <u>The Call to the Ministry</u> <u>What is Visitation Evangelism</u>
1973-1010-2-7	n.d.	<u>Christian Marriage and the Church</u> 28pp.
1973-1010-2-8	n.d.	<u>How does a Congregation do Evangelism and Social Action</u> 21pp.
1973-1010-2-8 ^Q	n.d.	<u>Have You Heard? Four Bible Studies on Evangelism</u> 12pp.
1973-1010-2-10	n.d. (1962?)	<u>The Evangelism and Social Action Council</u> 20pp.

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| 1973-1010-2-11 | 1966 | <u>The Elder and His District</u> L.H. Fowler
16pp. |
| 1973-1010-2-12 | c. 1958 | "A Manual for Ruling Elders" L.H. Fowler
Mimeo copy. 84pp. |
| 1973-1010-2-1 | 1970 | <u>Manual on Christian Social Action:
Statements on Social Questions by the Board
of Evangelism and Social Action and
Recommendations adopted by General
assemblies of the Presbyterian Church in
Canada</u>
1970; 71pp. |
| 1973-1010-2-4 | 1956 | <u>Methods that Work in Evangelism: A
Record of three modern methods of
Evangelism as used in experiments within
our own Church</u> |
| 1973-1010-2-6 | n.d. | <u>The Ordinance of Baptism</u> Rev. M.
Nicholson, M.A.
16pp. |
| 1973-1010-2-3 | c. 1966 | <u>A Situation Close to Home: A Study Action
Guide</u>
?1966; 14pp. Housing |
| 1973-1010-1-11 | | Training Programme for Evangelism
Training Guides for Friendship
Evangelism and Visiting for
Committment: typescript guides for
Visitors, Ministers and Young People |
| 1973-1010-1-12 | 1962 | Training Programme for Evangelism
Leader's Manual (Revised) |
| 1973-1010-1-13 | n.d. | Training Programme for Evangelism
Manual on programme and schedules |
| 1973-1010-2-2 | n.d. | <u>Where Do We Go From Here?</u>
n.d.; 11pp. |
| 1973-1010-2-13 | | Pamphlets - Other Faiths
<u>Mormonism on the March</u> Gordon H.
Fraser; 1959; 4pp.
<u>Christian Science</u> Calvin H. Chambers;
n.d.; 8pp.
<u>Jehovah's Witnesses</u> Calvin H. Chambers;
n.d.; 8pp.
<u>Mormonism</u> Calvin H. Chambers; n.d.;
10pp. |
| 1973-1010-2-14 | | Pamphlets - Lay Evangelism
<u>The Banff Story</u> n.d.; 4pp.
<u>The Christian Style of Life</u> n.d.; 4pp. |

Records of the Board of Evangelism and Social Action

Dislocated Saints J.C. McLelland; n.d.; 4pp.

Easter Every Sunday J.C. McLelland; n.d.; 4pp.

Enter into Life J.C. McLelland; n.d.; 4pp.

How You Can Begin the Christian Life n.d.; 4pp.

Instructions for Religious Census Takers n.d.; 4pp.

Laymen and Apostles n.d.; 8pp.

The Man Upstairs J.C. McLelland; n.d.; 4pp.

The Time of Your Life J.C. McLelland; n.d.; 4pp.

Speak out - Men of the Church n.d.; 6pp.

1973-1010-2-15

Pamphlets - Social Issues

Blueprint for a Happy Marriage n.d.; 6pp.

A Christian Funeral n.d.; 8pp.

The Church and Alcohol 1960; 6pp.

The Festival of Death J.C. McLelland; n.d.; 3pp.

A Ministry to the Sick and Shut-Ins n.d.; 6pp.

Mixed Marriage n.d.; 4pp.

Mixed Marriage n.d.; 5pp.

Sickness and Healing n.d.; 4pp.

Talking with our Children about Sex Wayne A. Smith; n.d.; 6pp.

1973-1010-2-16

Pamphlets - Organization

Evangelism and Social Action n.d.; 6pp.

Study Papers

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n.d.

Study Papers, A-B
Abortion

"The Issue of Abortion"

"The Adoption of Children of One Faith by Parents of Another Faith"

"The Moral Aspects of the Artificial Prolongation of Life"

"The Assimilation and Care of New Members"

Records of the Board of Evangelism and Social Action

"The Human Costs of Automation" Rev.
Dr. Clair M. Cook

"Automation"

"The Best Use of the Church's Manpower"
Rev. Dr. W. Frank Bannister

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Study Papers, C-D

"The Presbyterian Church in Mission
Plan" W.R. Kendall; 1972

"Cannabis"

"Proposal for an Ottawa Office" 1969

"Capital Punishment" 1974

"The Canadian Indian"

"The Church Coffee House" Rev. John
Peck

"Christian Responsibility and Poverty"

"A Brief on Church Investments and
Social Responsibility"

"Recommendations for Congregational
and Community Action" 1968

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Study Papers E-G

"A Theological Basis for Evangelism"

"How best to approach the evangelism of
high-rise apartments"

"The Preaching Mission and the
Evangelist-at-Large"

"Evangelism Handbook" Wayne A. Smith

"Studies in Occupational and Industrial
Evangelism: The Encounter of the
Christian Faith and Modern
Technological Society" Rt. Rev. E.R.
Wickham

"Studies in Occupational and Industrial
Evangelism: Ministers on the Assembly
Line" James M. Campbell & Jesse E.
Christman

"Studies in Occupational and Industrial
Evangelism: I walked where they
worked" Andrew Juvinall

"Studies in Occupational and Industrial
Evangelism: The Role of the Church in
Industrial Disputes" Rev. Emerson W.
Smith

"Studies in Occupational and Industrial Evangelism: Priest-Workers in the Church of England" Marilyn Crabb

"Studies in Occupational and Industrial Evangelism: The Detroit Industrial Mission"

Found and Lost (United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.) 1965; "Found and Lost" (P.C.C.) 1971

"French and English Relations in Canada"

"French and English in Canada - The Christian Ministry of Reconciliation"

"The Gospel and Rapid Social Change"

"The Guaranteed Annual Income"

"The Guaranteed Annual Wage"

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1972-1029-1-4

Study Papers H

Sickness and Healing J.C. McLelland; n.d.; 4pp.

"The Place of Faith in Healing"

"The Church's Ministry of Healing" (Report of the Committee on the Church and the Ministry of Healing to the Annual Meeting of the Board of Evangelism and Social Action) 1966

"A Situation Close to Home"

"Housing"

"Sub-standard Housing"

"Senior Citizens Housing" 1972

"Human Rights" Prof. Lord Ritchie-Calder

"Economic Aspects of Human Rights"

"New Directions in Human Rights"

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1972-1029-1-5

Study Papers I-L

"Special Inner City Project"

"A Study Paper on the Ledain Commission Report" 1974

"Leisure - Blessing or Bane" Dr. Robert Lee

Report of the Committee on Leisure

~~1973-1029-1-6~~

1972-1029-1-6

Study Papers M-O

"Marriage Guide;lines" 1974

"A Statement on Marriage and Divorce"

Mixed Marriage n.d.; 5pp.

"Marriage, Divorce and Re-marriage"
1968

"The Mission of the Church in Changing
Dynamic Rural Society"

"The Misuse of Credit"

"Euthanasia or Mercy Killing"

"Obscenity and Profanity in the
Communications Media"

Outside Organizations"

~~1972-1979-1-7~~

1972-1979-1-7

Study Papers, P-Y

"Trends in Penal Reforms" A.M.
Kirkpatrick

"Philosophy on Aging"

"Poverty and Development"

"Pulpit and Pew: Bridging the Gap"
Rev. Dr. Howard Hageman

"The Ethical Demands of Integration - A
Philosophy of Race Relations" Dr. Martin
Luther King Jr.

"The Way of Salvation"

"The Status of Women in Canada"

"The Psychology of Suicide" Norman L
Ferberan

"A Brief on the Question of Sunday Law
and Sunday Observance"

"Making Visitation Work" (reprint from
Christianity Today Nov. 23 1973)

"Youth Evangelization Teams

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Study Papers

"Mind and Health" Dr. Oerst Gorchynski;
1966

"Christianity and Health" Dr. A.S. Arniel;
1966

"An Analysis of the Rate of Growth of
the Membership of the Presbyterian
Church in Canada" A.J. Gowland; 1961

"Education for Retirement" Dr. S.R.
Laycock; 1962

"On Capital Punishment" Robert
Duncanson; 1956

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Committee on the Church and the Ministry
of Healing

Paper written for the Committee by Rev.
T.H. Boyd