

**The Burke Library at Union Theological Seminary,
Columbia University in the City of New York**

Finding Aid for

Missionary Photograph Albums, 1900-1965



Credit to: Missionary Photograph Albums, box 1, folder 2,
The Burke Library at Union Theological Seminary, Columbia University in the City of New York.

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Summary Information

Creator: Union Theological Seminary
Title: Missionary Photograph Albums
Inclusive dates: 1900-1965
Bulk dates: 1900-1910; 1955-1965
Abstract: Two separate photograph albums housed in the same box. They depict missionaries and missionary activities.
Size: 1 box, 0.25 linear feet
Storage: Onsite storage
Repository: The Burke Library
Union Theological Seminary
3041 Broadway
New York, NY 10027
Email: burkearchives@library.columbia.edu

Administrative Information

Provenance: Purchased by the Burke Library in March 2015.

Access: Archival papers are available to registered readers for consultation by appointment only. Please contact archives staff by email to burkearchives@library.columbia.edu, or by postal mail to The Burke Library address on page 1, as far in advance as possible. Burke Library staff is available for inquiries or to request a consultation on archival or special collections research.

Access Restrictions: The collection is unrestricted to readers. Certain materials, however, are in a fragile condition, and this may necessitate restriction in handling and copying.

Preferred Citation: Item description, Missionary Photograph Albums, box #, folder #, The Burke Library at Union Theological Seminary, Columbia University in the City of New York.

Collection Scope and Content Note

The collection contains two items:

Item 1: African Missionary photograph album, approximately 1900-1910 (BibID: 11329789)

Collection of 60 photographs, taken approximately 1900-1910?; chiefly depicting missionary activities in Sub-Saharan Africa. Depictions include: individual and group portraits of missionaries, with African men, women, and children in both Western and traditional dress; individuals engaged in agriculture, carpentry, printmaking, and other activities; landscape, livestock, and buildings.

<https://clio.columbia.edu/catalog/11329789>

Item 2: Mennonite African missionary photograph album, approximately 1955-1965 (BibID: 11329773)

Collection of approximately 350 photographs, taken approximately 1955-1965?; chiefly depicting missionary activities in Zimbabwe, Zambia, South Africa, and other unidentified locations likely in Sub-Saharan Africa. Depictions include: individual and group portraits of missionaries and their families, and African men, women, and children in both Western and traditional dress; individuals engaged in weddings, baptisms, agriculture, cooking, construction, and other activities; boats, airplanes, automobiles; landscape and livestock; building interiors and exteriors.

<https://clio.columbia.edu/catalog/11329773>

Processing

Materials were placed in new acid-free folders and boxes.

Contents list

| Box | Folder | Contents |
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| 1 | 1 | African Missionary photograph album, approximately 1900-1910 |
| 1 | 2 | Mennonite African missionary photograph album, approximately 1955-1965 |
| 1 | 3 | Additional Information |