

**TANIMOTO, KIYOSHI, 1909-1986.**  
**Kiyoshi Tanimoto collection, 1938-1990**

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**Descriptive Summary**

**Creator:** Tanimoto, Kiyoshi, 1909-1986.  
**Title:** Kiyoshi Tanimoto collection, 1938-1990  
**Call Number:** Manuscript Collection No. 075  
**Extent:** 0.1 cubic ft. (2 folders)  
**Abstract:** Contains a typed narrative of Tanimoto's career as well as a postcard, class notes, and articles.  
**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

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**Administrative Information**

**Restrictions on Access**

Unrestricted access.

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**Separated Material**

A Japanese New Testament with Tanimoto's handwritten notes has been separated and placed in the Pitts Theology Library Special Collections under the call number 1934 BIBL.

**Citation**

[after identification of item(s)], Kiyoshi Tanimoto Collection, Archives and Manuscript Dept., Pitts Theology Library, Emory University.

**Processing**

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## Collection Description

### Biographical Note

An alumnus of the Candler School of Theology at Emory University, Rev. Kiyoshi Tanimoto was the minister of the Nagarehawa United Church of Christ in Hiroshima, Japan when the United States dropped the atomic bomb in 1945. He was also one of the survivors whose experiences figured prominently in John Hersey's book, *Hiroshima*, an account of the survivors' struggles to overcome the devastation wrought by the atomic bomb. Later, he became the director of the Hiroshima Peace Center Foundation.

### Scope and Content Note

This collection consists of a brief typed narrative of Rev. Tanimoto's career, especially his work in Hiroshima after the devastation of the atomic bomb in 1945. The outline includes discussions of John Hersey's visit to Japan, aid to the "Hiroshima maidens" (women who suffered facial disfigurements from the bomb's blast), peace efforts since the war, and youth exchange programs between Japan and the United States.

The collection also includes a post card, sent to Tanimoto in 1938, while he was a student at the Candler School of Theology; two pages of class notes, ca. 1938; a photocopy of the citation conferring an honorary Doctor of Divinity on Kiyoshi Taimoto by Emory University in 1986; and two *New Yorker* articles about Tanimoto's experience during the bombing, published in 1946 and 1985.

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## Container List

<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Content</b>
1	1	"Hiroshima" (transcribed speech), 1949 Jan 18
1	1	Class notes, undated
1	1	An Outline of Kiyoshi Tanimoto's Career
1	1	Postcard from Julia St. John to Kiyoshi Tanimoto at Emory University, 1938 Aug 18
1	1	Doctor of Divinity Degree (photocopy), 1986 Dec 10
1	2	John Hersey, "A Reporter At Large: Hiroshima" New Yorker (photocopy), 1946 Aug 31

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