

MCCLENDON FAMILY.

McClendon Family papers, 1902-1962, undated

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Descriptive Summary

Creator: McClendon Family.
Title: McClendon Family papers, 1902-1962, undated
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 338
Extent: 0.17 cubic ft. (1 box)
Abstract: Contains correspondence from Annie McClendon as well as publications, a photograph, and other unidentified papers related to the McClendon family.
Language: Materials in English and Spanish.

Administrative Information

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Biographical Note

Annie Eliza Thompson McClendon was born in Wilmington, Delaware, on March 31, 1845. Her husband, James H. McClendon, was a founder of the First Methodist Church in West Point, Georgia. James died in 1882, leaving Annie to raise their five children.

In 1889 Annie traveled to Mexico as a missionary, where she served at Laredo Seminary. Four of her children accompanied her; the fifth, James W. McClendon, followed later. Annie also served

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in Guadalajara, where she established a mission school. She retired in 1911 after twenty-two years of missionary service.

Annie McClendon died in Hubbard Woods, Illinois on October 17, 1928.

Scope and Content Note

Letters to and from Annie McClendon comprise the bulk of the McClendon family papers. The letters from 1902 and 1903 are between Annie and the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. They primarily concern the financial needs of Annie's mission. Correspondence from later years consists mainly of more personal letters received by Annie. Many of these are from Mrs. W. B. (Mollie) Higgenbotham, President of the North Georgia Conference Woman's Missionary Society.

Also included in the collection is a letter from James W. McClendon, Annie's son. The letter was written to one of his siblings and contains his recollection of his mother's mission work. There is also another document containing descriptions of Annie's work. It appears to be in James's hand, but contains numerous quotations from an unknown source.

Other items include a page of McClendon family genealogical information transcribed from gravestones in Pinewood Cemetery (West Point, Georgia); a page from an unidentified publication with a photographic portrait of Annie; a printed notice in Spanish by Annie from her Guadalajara mission school, dated 1910, and a 1962 history of West Point First Methodist Church. This history mentions both James H. McClendon's role in founding the church and Annie's mission work.

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1	6	Correspondence, letter by James McClendon describing Annie McClendon's missionary work, 1955
1	7	Genealogical information transcribed from gravestones in Pinewood Cemetery, West Point, Ga., undated
1	8	History of West Point First Methodist Church, 1962
1	9	Photograph, Annie McClendon, copy, undated
1	10	Printed notice in Spanish by Annie McClendon, 1910
1	11	Unidentified papers, undated
