

**SALEM CAMP GROUND, INC. (COVINGTON, GA.)**  
**Salem Camp Ground records, 1885-2017**

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**Descriptive Summary**

**Creator:** Salem Camp Ground, Inc. (Covington, Ga.)  
**Title:** Salem Camp Ground records, 1885-2017  
**Call Number:** Record Group No. 076  
**Extent:** 6 cubic feet (9 boxes)  
**Abstract:** Contains correspondence, printed material, financial and legal documents, notebooks, and other papers related to the administrative activities of the Salem Camp Ground.  
**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

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**Administrative Information**

**Restrictions on Access**

Unrestricted access.

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**Source**

On deposit from Salem Camp Ground, 2016.

**Citation**

[after identification of item(s)], Salem Camp Ground records, Archives and Manuscript Dept., Pitts Theology Library, Emory University.

**Processing**

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## **Collection Description**

### **Biographical Note**

Established in 1828, the Salem Camp Ground is a historic, interdenominational camp meeting site based in Covington, Georgia. Camp meetings have been held every year since its establishment aside from the years during the Civil War. For many years, Salem was a Methodist institution; now interdenominational, Salem camp meetings feature a Methodist minister each year along with one Baptist or Presbyterian minister on alternating years. The tabernacle located at Salem is on the National Building Survey of the Library of Congress; Salem Camp Ground was also added to the National Historic Register in 1998.

### **Scope and Content Note**

The Salem Camp Ground records consists of correspondence, photographs, printed material including numerous programs of camp meetings dating back to 1934, financial and legal documents consisting of agreements, deeds, and resolutions; notebooks consisting of Board of Trustees meeting minutes, and other papers including contributor lists, notes, and various administrative papers.

### **Arrangement Note**

Organized by material type and then alphabetically by title.

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## Container List

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Correspondence, 1936-1969
1	2	Correspondence, 1970-1978
1	3	Correspondence, 1980-1989
1	4	Correspondence, 1990-1998
1	5	Correspondence, 2000-2012, undated
1	6	Photographs, 1955-2013

## Printed Material

1	7	"Autobiographical Memory and Identity Updating," by Bradd Shore, Salem Camp meeting, 2002
1	8	Newspaper clippings, 1933-2011
1	9	Posters, 1972-2013
1	10	Salem Camp meeting, report in the Atlanta Journal, typescript drafts, 1890 August 26
1	11	Salem Camp Ground meeting program, 1934, 1936, 1939
1	12	Salem Camp Ground meeting program, 1947-1959
1	13	Salem Camp Ground meeting program, 1960-1964
1	14	Salem Camp Ground meeting program, 1965-1969
2	1	Salem Camp Ground meeting program, 1970-1979
2	2	Salem Camp Ground meeting program, 1980-1982
2	3	Salem Camp Ground meeting program, 1983-1989
2	4	Salem Camp Ground meeting program, 1990-1999
2	5	Salem Camp Ground meeting program, 2000-2013, 2017
2	6	Smithsonian magazine, 1996 August

## Financial and Legal Documents

2	7	Affidavit of possession, 2009 April
2	8	Agreements and unsorted legal files, 1937-1947, undated
2	9	Board of Trustees notebook (1 of 2), 1959-1962
2	10	Board of Trustees notebook (2 of 2), 1959-1962
2	11	By-laws, typescript draft, 1939 February 22
2	12	CNA personal insurance documents, 1999
3	1	CDV Limited Partnership, 1996 December
3	2	"Deeds and papers related to Salem Camp Ground," 1894-1932
3	3	Financial reports, 1991-1997
3	4	Invoices, 1993-1996
3	5	Maintenance files, 2009 June 15

- 3 6 Newton County Water and Sewage Authority files, 1998, 2000
- 3 7 Resolutions, 1938-1970
- 3 8 Salem and Spring Road project files, 2008
- 3 9 Salem sewer files, 2000
- 3 10 Securities documents, 1997
- 3 11 State charter, 1938 August 23
- 3 12 State deed and liability release, 1993, 2003
- 3 13 Tax documents, 1985-2006
- 3 14 Trustees documents, 2005, 2008
- 3 15 Warranty deed, 2008
- 3 16 Warranty deeds and other legal files, 1885-1972
- 3 17 Unsorted financial papers, 1984-1993, undated

### Notebooks

- 3 18 Board of Trustees minutes (1 of 2), 1939-1941
- 3 19 Board of Trustees minutes (2 of 2), 1939-1941
- 3 20 Board of Trustees minutes (3 notebooks), 1970-1976
- 4 1 Board of Trustees minutes, 1978-1987
- 4 2 Board of Trustees minutes, 1988-1995
- 4 3 Cash book, 1940-1942
- 4 4 "Given in honor or in memory," 1987-1989
- 4 5 "Given in honor or in memory," 1994-1995
- 5 9 Record of Salem Camp Ground Commencing 1894, 1894-1931

### Other Papers

- 4 6 Abu-Akel, Fahed; biographical file, circa 2003
- 4 7 Caretaker responsibility list, undated
- 4 8 Clarence R. Vaughan memorial programs, 2007 March
- 4 9 General meeting minutes, 1968-1989
- 4 10 Give in memory letter templates, 1995 March 8, undated
- 4 11 Informed consent form, 2002 August 2
- 4 12 Lists-contributors, 1990-1994
- 5 1 Lists-contributors, 1995-1997
- 5 2 Lists-contributors, 1994-1996
- 5 3 Lists-"given in honor of," 1991-1996
- 5 4 Motor vehicle accident report, 1994
- 5 5 National Register of Historic Places, Georgia Department of Natural Resources, 1997-1998
- 5 6 Notes and envelopes, 1933-2009
- 5 7 Tributes issued by the Board of Trustees, 1953-1969, undated

5 8 Trustees listing, undated

**Audio/Visual Materials**

5 10 Audiocassette: Prayer Action Network, Special Report Series on Bishop Arthur  
J. Moore, 1974 July 3

6-8 Recordings of Camp Meetings, circa 1990-2017

**Objects**

5 10 Necklaces (2), undated

5 10 Salem Camp Ground office stamp, undated

**Oversize**

9 Salem Camp Ground site enhancement package, prepared by Roy Ashley &  
Associates, 2008 July 10

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