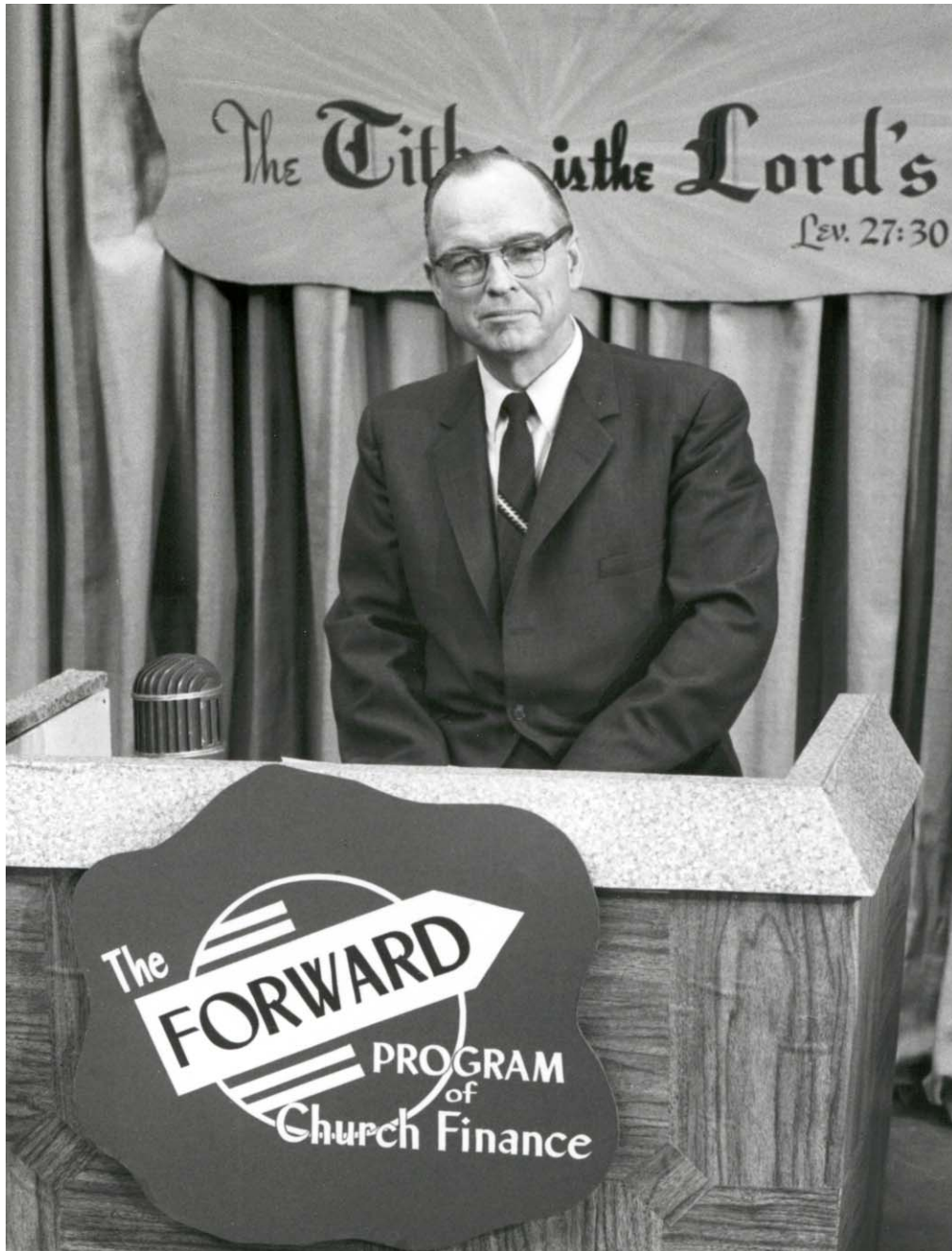


**INVENTORY TO THE
MERRILL DENNIS MOORE PAPERS**

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I. Biographical Sketch:

Merrill Dennis Moore was born November 14, 1904 in Senatobia, Mississippi. He grew up in Mississippi and attended high school in Meridian. He received his B. A. degree in 1926 from Mississippi College. Moore graduated from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1930 with a Th.M. degree. In 1929 he married Lorena Smith of Sidon, Mississippi.

Moore served as pastor of churches in Mississippi, Alabama, Kentucky and Tennessee. Moore was active in denominational activities, serving on state committees and as a member of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, 1942-1948. In 1940 he was selected as president of the Tennessee College for Women. In 1942 he went to the Immanuel Baptist Church in Nashville as pastor. Moore became director of promotion and association secretary for the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1948. In 1961 he was named executive director-treasurer of the newly created Stewardship Commission. He retired from that position in 1971.

Moore authored numerous pamphlets and tracts on stewardship. He wrote Found Faithful (Broadman Press, 1953) and co-authored The Church Finance Record Manual (Broadman Press, 1959).

See: Baptist History File in the Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives for more information.

II. Scope and Content:

The papers include 1 linear ft. of material and span the years from 1946 to 1971. The material covers Moore's service as a denominational worker. The collection includes articles, correspondence, reports, publications, and two disassembled scrapbooks. One of the scrapbooks covers a stewardship mission tour by Moore in 1957-58 to the Orient and the other is a general scrapbook of clippings, programs, and photographs relating to Moore's activities with the Executive Committee and the Stewardship Commission (1946-1966).

The collection is arranged alphabetically by folder title. Significant subject area and people included in the papers are: Porter Routh, James L. Sullivan, W. E. Grindstaff, Stewardship Commission and the Executive Committee of the SBC.

III. Manuscript Listing:

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Folder

1. Articles (Routh, Lindholm, Nelson, Rust)
2. Baptist Jubilee Advance -Play, 1960
3. Church property~ related finances, 1966
4. Correspondence, 1952-1956
5. Correspondence, 1957-1962
6. Correspondence, 1964-1967
7. Correspondence, 1969-1970
8. McClellan, Albert -"On Earth as in Heaven" pageant
9. Mission Tour -Clippings and press releases, 1957-58
10. Mission Tour -Correspondence, 1957-58
11. Mission Tour -Itinerary
12. Mission Tour -Maps
13. Mission Tour -Oriental Documents
14. Mission Tour -Photographs and postcards
15. Organizational survey of the Stewardship Commission, 1960
16. Reports- committees, conferences, suggestions, etc.
17. Retirement program, 1971
18. Scrapbooks, 1946-49
19. Scrapbooks, 1950-1953
20. Scrapbook, 1954-1955
21. Scrapbook, 1956
22. Scrapbook, 1957-58
23. Scrapbook, 1959
24. Scrapbook, 1962-64
25. Scrapbook, 1965
26. Scrapbook, 1966
27. Tithers Turnover Chart, 1950.