“FARTHER ALONG” CONFERENCE MATERIALS

Physical Description:
.42 L. F. Manuscripts
Digital photographs and PowerPoint presentations
6 Books; 6 CDs
10 DAT; 12 DVD-Rs

Dates:
April 4-5, 2008

RESTRICTIONS:
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Provenance:
These materials were generated for and by the conference titled, “Farther Along: A conference on the Southern Gospel Convention-Singing Tradition” sponsored by the CPM. The audio CDs were recorded during the conference presentations by CPM Manager of Media Collections Martin Fisher. Digital images were taken by Grover Baker, CPM Librarian, and Paul Wells, Director. The manuscripts were sent to the Center by the participants after the conference at the request of the Archivist, Lucinda Cockrell. The song books and commercial CDs were donated by the participant artists.

Scope and content:
This collection consists of manuscript materials including printed papers, PowerPoint presentations, pamphlets, brochures documenting presentations and events from the CPM “Farther Along: A conference on the Southern Gospel Convention-Singing Tradition” conference held April 4-5, 2008. Also included are digital images, gospel song books, hymnals, and CDs given by participant artists. Martin Fisher, CPM Manager of Media Collections processed the recorded sessions from the conference and the resulting CDs and DVDs are available for research purposes, along with logs of conference sessions and singings. Please see conference program for more information on individual session papers.

Location:
The audio tapes and CDs are filed first by media type, then by log number with other audio visual manuscripts. Digital files are archived on the CPM server and printed copies are available for research in the manuscripts. The manuscripts are filed by accession number, arranged chronologically by presentation order and filed among the manuscript collections by accession number. Session recordings on CD and DVDs are located in the audio manuscripts. Books and commercial CDs were dispersed and filed in respective categories of special collection materials, searchable in InMagic.
**Related Materials:**
The Center holds other gospel-related manuscript collections, such as the Anna J. Strohman gospel songbook collection (90-010), Southern Gospel Convention Singing Collection (06-018), John A. McClung Hartford Music Company Collection (04-008), George B. Holsinger Shape Note Gospel Music Collection (89-045), Singing School Collection (06-008), and M.H. Woodard Manuscript and Gospel Songbook Collection (01-023). These may be searched through the InMagic Archives database. Other collections containing gospel materials may also be searched through InMagic, such as the rare book, sheet music, iconographic, performance, and trade catalog collections.

**Folder/box list:**

**Box 1**

Folder 1 Pamphlets and program

Folder 2 "Conference Overview: Why We are Here,”  
Stephen Shearon, School of Music, MTSU

Folder 3 "The R. E. Winsett Music Company: A Case Study in Ma and Pa Publishing,”  
Mel R. Wilhoit, Bryan College

Folder 4 “The Church Hymnal: A Legacy of the Convention Song,”  
Donald LeRoy, Lee University

Folder 5 “Varying Degrees of Similitude: Stylistic Homogeneity and Change in the Stamps-Baxter Songs of Luther Presley,”  
Gregory Straughn, Abilene Christian University.

Folder 6 “Skylite Recording Company: The Legacy of Stamps,”  
Theodore E. Fuller, Collierville, Tennessee.

Folder 7 “The Gaitherization of Convention Singing” (PowerPoint paper).  
Douglas Harrison, Florida Gulf Coast University

Folder 8 “Music Is a Science: The Career and Legacy of Shaped-Note Music Teacher W. E. Ledbetter, Overton County, Tennessee,”  
Steve Hoskins, Trevecca Nazarene University/MTSU

Folder 9 “Who Will Sing One Song for Me”: Tracing Shape-Note Singing Traditions in Rural Tennessee – (PowerPoint paper)  
Holly Garrett Anthony, Tennessee Technological University
Stephen Shearon, MTSU

Folder 11  “From Hartford to Honky-Tonks to the ‘Hood’: The continuing Cultural Journey of Albert E. Brumley’s ‘I’ll Fly Away’”
Kevin Kehrberg, University of Kentucky

Folder 12  “The Reasons We Sing: The Reported Health Benefits of Regular and Active Participation in Southern Gospel Convention Singing” (PowerPoint paper)
Susan E. Abbott, Stephen F. Austin State University

Folder 13  “The Family of God: The Transmission of ‘Family Values’ through the Gendered Conventions of Southern Gospel Singing Conventions
Suzanne R. Lee, Saint Louis University

Folder 14  “The Art of Convention-Style Piano Accompaniment,” (Note: paper not received)
Tracey Phillips, MTSU

Folder 15  “Digitizing on a Shoestring: The Max Morris Southern Gospel Music Collection,”
(PowerPoint paper)
Jacquelyn A. Royal, Lee University

Folder 16  “Southern Gospel Holdings at the Center for Popular Music,”
(PowerPoint paper)
Paul F. Wells and Grover Baker, MTSU

Folder 17  “Variations in Style and Repertory of Seven-Shape Conventions in Alabama,”
(PowerPoint paper)
Steve Grauberger, Alabama State Council on the Arts

Folder 18  “The Speer Family: The “First Family” of Gospel Music,”
Shawn Degenhart, Peoria, Illinois.

Folder 19  Audio logs of conference sessions

Folder 20  Accompanying materials to CD: “Traditional Musics of Alabama, vol. 2.”

Folder 21  Photographs – Thumbnails of digital images

Folder 22  Release Agreements
**Separated Materials:**

**Books**
*The Church Hymnal*, Tennessee Music and Printing Company  
*Sing It Out!*, Jeffress/Phillips Music  
*Shape Notes: Songs of the Gospel*, Texas Legendary Music Company (Donated by Martha Ham)  
*Open the Windows: New Gospel Songs*, Cumberland Valley Music Company (Donated by Eugene McCammon)  
*Zion’s Praises* by Aaron Z. Weaver, Weaver Music Company  
*The “Church Hymnal” (1951): A Shape-Note Hymnal of the Church of God (Cleveland, TN)*,  

**CDs**
*Some of My Favorite Piano Arrangements* by Sidney Ryan Hicks  
*The Ledbetters: What a Singing*  
*Old Time Religion: Piano Solo Favorites* by Tracey Phillips  
*Tracey Phillips Favorite Hymns*  
*Shape Notes: Songs of the Gospel*, Texas Legendary Music Company  
*Sing It Out!*, Jeffress/Phillips Music  
*Traditional Musics of Alabama Vol. 2*, Alabama Arts Council (Donated by Steve Grauberger)

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