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MSS0035

The Prairie View Church of Christ Collection

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## **The Prairie View Church of Christ Collection Finding aid**

### **Collection Overview**

**Creator:** Prairie View Church of Christ Staff

**Title:** The Prairie View Church of Christ Collection

**Dates:** Undated

**Bulk Dates:** Undated

**Quantity:** .5 linear feet (1 box)

**Abstract:** The Prairie View Church of Christ Collection contains a brief church history. Until unique accommodations become necessary, the items are housed with eight other Waller County Church collections.

**Identification:** MSS0035

**Use Restrictions:** Before publishing quotations, excerpts, or images from any materials in this collection, written permission must be obtained from the Special Collections/ Archives Department and all relevant rights holders.

**Language:** The materials are in English.

**Repository:** Prairie View A&M University

**Biographical Note:** The Prairie View Church of Christ was established in 1971 because a Church of Christ minister was needed at the Prairie View A&M Campus. Elders Claude Richardson, Carl Matzke, and Billard Mullens from the Jersey Village congregation agreed to support the initiative and oversee the work financially. Rev. Famous Bayers was the first minister, and services took place in an office provided by Prairie View A&M officials.

### **Sources:**

The Prairie View Church of Christ Collection, MSS035, Special Collections/Archives Department, John B. Coleman Library, Prairie View A&M University

Waller County Historical Survey Committee (1973). A history of Waller County, Texas. Waco: Texian Press.

**Scope and Contents Note:**

The collection is arranged chronologically in the order in which the items were created. No series was needed since the items are all related to Prairie View Church of Christ's history. The collection consists of one folder with church history documents.

**Administrative Information****Preferred Citation:**

The Prairie View Church of Christ Collection, MSS0035, Special Collections/Archives Department, John B. Coleman Library, Prairie View A&M University

**Related Material:**

Black Churches in Texas Collection, MSS0016, Special Collections/Archives Department, John B. Coleman Library, Prairie View A&M University

Inventory of the Clyde McQueen Papers, Cushing Memorial Library and Archives, Texas A&M University

Waller County Historical Survey Committee (1973). *A history of Waller County, Texas*. Waco: Texian Press.

**Index Terms:**

African American churches--Gulf Coast--Texas--History.

African American churches--Texas, Central--History.

Waller County (Tex.)--History.

**Inventory**

| Box # | Folder # | Title/Description | Date    | Location |
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| 1     | 1        | History           | Undated | R3/C4/R5 |