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MSS 149 File 2

Title: Mt. Pleasant Christian Church History and Ephemera, Frazeytsburg, Muskingum County, Ohio, 1954-1964

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Dates: 1954-1964

Creator(s): Mt. Pleasant Christian Church; Mrs. Zelda Ashcraft; Nelle Moran.

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Administrative history: "The church was organized May 20, 1868 and was located a few rods up the hill from the cemetery. It was built of logs and had an earth floor. The first building, on the present site, was Dedicated January 23, 1870. Our present, with an added basement, was Dedicated May 21, 1922."¹

Scope and Content: The collection contains a brief typed history of the Mt. Pleasant Christian Church of Frazeytsburg written in 1954 as well as a 1964 service program which includes additional historical information about the church. Also included are the church's by-laws and two poems (one with a picture of the church, dated 1961) which document the activities the church members and their culture and history.

Extent: 1 file

Access: No access restrictions.

Language: English

¹ From the 1964 service program included in the collection.

Provenance: Donated to OGS in 2013 by Carol Johnson of Butler, Ohio.

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Box 1:

File 2: The following is included in the file:

- 1964 service program with hymns and short history of the church. Superintendent Mrs. Virginia Ashcraft and Pastor Rev. H. A. Miller.
- *History of the Mt. Pleasant Church, 1954*, written by Mrs. Zelda Ashcraft, typed by Mrs. Willaw Guthrie and Mrs. Mary Ashcraft. Describes the church's founding and early members, including Isaac Rine and William Ashcraft among others from pioneer families.
- "Old Rain Rock" poem by Nelle Moran of Frazeyburg. Describes the church's history and culture.
- "Mt. Pleasant Memories" poem by Nelle Moran, 1961, with picture of the church. Picture taken by Merridith Ashcraft. Also describes the church's history and culture.
- Biographical sketch of Dorothy Elizabeth Ashcraft Criss (1906-2002), late of Mount Vernon, Knox County.
- By-laws of the church, 1987.

Key Words: Ashcraft; Criss; Moran; Rine; Muskingum County; Knox County.

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