

Biography:

In 1998, Kathryn Clark created an endowment at the Mississippi Methodist Foundation for perpetual support of the historic Pearl River Methodist Church in Madison County, home church of the J.W. Lambuth family. She was the organizer and first chairman of the Pearl River Church Historic Council, which, under the authority of the Commission on Archives and History, oversees the church which is a Historic Site of the Mississippi Conference, and Heritage Landmark of the UMC. Along with Madison UMC, the Pearl River Church celebrates Lambuth Day annually to honor the missionary service of four generations of Lambuths. She remained an active part of the Council until her death in 2009.

Ms. Clark earned a Master's Degree in Religious Education at Emory University in 1946 after teaching elementary school for 10 years. She then taught at the Methodist Children's Home and was Director of Children's Work for the Board of Education of the MS Conference for seven years. During her 20 years as Director of the Children's Division at the First UMC in Fort Worth, TX, she became a Diaconal Minister in the mid 1970's.

Prior to her membership at Madison UMC, she was a member of St. Luke's UMC in Jackson. She served as volunteer librarian for the children's department, worked in the Thrift Shop and was a home visitor. She was a member of UMW and the Christian Education Fellowship, local and national. A student of history and genealogy, she was named to the Daughters of the American Revolution and served as docent at the MS Museum of Art. In 2005, she received the Tobias Gibson Award from the MS Conference for her efforts to preserve MS Methodist heritage and history.

Scope and Contents:

Pearl River Church Historic Council records, Pearl River church information, Lambuth Day, Lambuth family history, Madison County and Mississippi history, Commission on A&H and MS Methodist Historical Society, general Methodist history resources, personal history.

BOX 1 KATHRYN CLARK, PERSONAL

Fabric bonnet for historical re-enactment
Video (VHS) "From Pearl River to the Ends of the Earth"
Audio (cassette) "Pearl River" "Katie Harrell"

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f1 Personal and biographical: calendars, correspondence, address book

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- f2 Director of Children's Ministry, Mississippi Conference Board of Education panoramic photo, Methodist Childrens Workers Assembly, Jackson, MS July 1949
- f3 Daughters of American Revolution program booklets, 1986-1992
- f4 Certification papers Christian Educator's Fellowship 1965, Director of Christian Education 1950, 1951, 1965
- f5 Annual Renewal of UMC Certification for Diaconal minister, Christian educator, 1970-1989
- f6 Photographs: Old Lambuth home, Pearl River Church 1889, Pearl River schoolhouse, PR school students, teachers n.d. from Mrs. Mildred Gober Weeks' album, Clark family photos and photocopies

BOX 2 LAMBUTH FAMILY

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- f1 Print material, photocopies – early Lambuth family history
 - History of Lambuth Memorial Church at Forkland, Greene County, AL 1823-1955
 - Lambuth Memorial Methodist Church homecoming program 1955
 - Madison County property deeds re: John R. Lambuth, 1846, 1850, 1851 ts.
 - Report on the Agriculture & Geology of Miss., pub. by legislature, 1854
 - Census records John R. Lambeth, William Lambuth, others, 1820-1870
 - 1860 newspaper The Brandon Republican ad “Jackson Foundry and Machine Shop”
- f2 The Lambuth Letters and Lambuth Centennial Booklet, combined booklet, c. 2000
- f3 Lambuth family members – biographical articles, sketches
- f4 Lambuth family descendants McClellans and Stevens
- f5 Lambuth family descendants and reunions
- f6 Lambuth family - Pearl River Church Cemetery lists, occupants,
 - John R. Lambuth family home, photos and survey
- f7 “Mission to China and the Lambuth Family”, by J.B. Cain n.d.
“Is the Revolution Over? – A Return to China in 1981” by JHH (Dr. Haines) 4/2/1981
- f8 Lambuth-Kirkpatrick cemetery (Elbert County, Georgia) 1979 map of county

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BOX 3 LAMBUTH DAY

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f1	Lambuth Day printed programs and lists of attendees, history, history	1939-1975
f2	id.	1976-1997
f3	id.	1998-2003
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f5	Memory Book and photo album, 2004 Lambuth Day	2004
f6	Lambuth Day news clippings	
f7	The Lambuth Centennial	1854-1954
f8	Lambuth Day July 1982 Japanese KG visitors at Pearl River Methodist Church	1982

BOX 4 PEARL RIVER CHURCH; G. ARMISTEAD NOTEBOOK; INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES, AFRICA MISSION

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f1	International Methodist Schools and Colleges Africa University, Hiroshima Jogakuin, Kwansai Gakuin	
f2	Africa centenary history of Epworth League, Walter R. Lambuth, Congo The Call of Africa pamphlet, Board of Missions, W.R. Lambuth (photocopy)	
f3	George Armistead Notebook History of Lambuth Family MS Methodist History General MS History Tennessee US Census Record (1820, 1830) Alabama US Census Record (1840) Mississippi US Census Record (1850, 1860, and 1870)	c. 1981
f4	Pearl River Community – Maps Pearl River Church Membership 1900-1945	

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Pearl River Church Pastors 1900-1961

- f5 Pearl River Church Membership Cards
- f6 Cemetery List & Correspondence 1954, 1997, 2004
- f7 Title and Plat of Church Property
- f8 Beginning of Pearl River Church, histories 1846-1998, includes 1899 church Epworth League membership roll and history (photocopy), Ms. Clarks' notes
- f9 Lambuth Memorial Monument, Pearl River Church

BOX 5 PEARL RIVER CHURCH HISTORIC COUNCIL

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- f1 Pearl River UMC Endowment Reports -MS Methodist Foundation 1992-1996
- f2 Pearl River Church Historic Council Records 1996-1997
Kept by Miss Clark
Includes letter (1992) from Kwansai Gakuin Chancellor
\$1000 donation to Pearl River Church Endowment and 1991 notes
- f3 PRC Historic Council Records 1998-2006
- f4 Kathryn Clark Charitable Remainder Trust 1997
- f5 PRC Historic Council - Commission on A&H Historic Site Designation (1973), PRC Property 1996-2000

BOX 6 MADISON COUNTY & AMERICAN & MS NATCHEZ & INDIANA HISTORY GENERAL

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- f1 *U.S. News & World Report* Magazine 1995
Issue 119 (6), Aug 28-Sept 4
"Our Century Having Their Say: In a Remarkable Oral History, America's 100-Year-Olds Tell The Story of a Nation's Journey to Modern Times"

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- f2 Madison County Church History
- f3 Early Community
 - Madisonville
 - Pearl River
- f4 Madison County History
- f5 American and Mississippi History, General
- f6 Natchez Trace and Indian Territory
- f7 Indian Mound near Pearl River Church
 - National Register of Historical Places

BOX 7 MISCELLANEOUS

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- f1 MS Conference Commission on Archives & History 1980-2001
- f2 Mississippi Methodist Conference Historical Society newsletter 1991-1997
 - The Methodist Historian
- f3 Tobias Gibson, Endowment
- f4 J.B. Cain Archives of Mississippi Methodism
- f5 Local Church History – Resources and Guides
- f6 Methodist History – General Conference
- f7 Cemetery Preservation
- f8 McLellan Family Reunion and travel correspondence 2002
- f9 Madison UMC newsletters
- f10 Pictorial Directory, Local Methodist Churches 1982-1991
 - St. Luke's (Jackson) 1988, 1991
 - Montgomery Memorial (Madison) 1982, 1985

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OVERSIZE BOX

Oversize color print renderings of Lambuth Day 2000 historical re-enactment
Multiple color photocopies