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Summary Information

Repository:	Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special Collections Department
Title:	New Hope Baptist Church records
ID:	Collection 458
Date [inclusive]:	1950-2004
Physical Description:	9 Linear Feet
Abstract:	The New Hope Baptist Church was founded in Grand Rapids, Mich. in 1934 and today is a large and popular church with over 800 members. The Church leadership and congregation is primarily African American. The New Hope Baptist Church is very involved in the Grand Rapids, Mich. community and offer a wide range of community outreach services. The pastor of the Church as of this writing is Rev. Howard Earle Jr.

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Biographical / Historical

The New Hope Baptist Church in Grand Rapids, Mich. was founded in 1934 when the first members formed a prayer group which met in various member's homes and at a location on Market Street. The prayer band was formerly organized into a congregation by the late Rev. William G. Dinkins, Moderator of the Western District Association and the late Rev. C. Crawford, District Missionary.

The first service was held at 321 Grandville in August of 1934. Construction was completed on a new church home at 25 Finney Avenue and the church moved on December 5, 1937. On April 19, 1964, the church moved to 882 Caulfield. The final move came on June 19, 1983 when New Hope Baptist Church moved to its current location at 130 Delaware, SW. The church has grown from approximately 25 members in 1934 to over 800 active members in 2008.

New Hope Baptist Church continues a tradition of community assistance by providing a food pantry for the less fortunate, a daycare for worshippers, a youth ministry, a widow's ministry, and job search assistance. Outreach or "ministry" is central to the New Hope Baptist Church belief system which teaches that members should help people as a reflection of Christ's teachings.

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Scope and Contents

The New Hope Baptist Church records collection contains organizational documents, audio/visual material, scrapbooks, photos, letters, press clippings, and church publications. Though the Church began in 1934, the bulk of this collection is from the mid-1950s through the early 2000s. The collection offers insight into the African American community in Grand Rapids during this time period and how the community interacts with the larger Grand Rapids society. There are various formats included in the collection in addition to paper records including cassette, VHS tapes, CDs, and floppy disks. The materials on the floppy disk have been migrated to a digital archive and are accessible. The scrapbooks are large and fragile and many pages have separated from their original bindings and are stored in folders. The collection includes labeled member photographs as well as unidentified photos especially from the 1970s and 1980s.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Grand Rapids (Mich.) -- Church history
- Church records and registers -- Michigan
- African Americans -- Michigan -- Grand Rapids

Collection Inventory

I. Ceremonies

Scope and Contents

Printed materials such as invitations, announcements, programs, and advertisements for ceremonies and events at the New Hope Baptist Church.

Church Anniversaries and Dedications, 1950-2012

Box 2

Title/Description	Instances	
Library Dedication Service, 1990-02	Box 2	Folder 1
New Covenant M.B. Church 60th Anniversary, 1994-05-22	Box 2	Folder 2
Union Tabernacle Baptist Church 75th Anniversary, 2002-08	Box 2	folder 3
Dedication Book, 1983-06-19	Box 2	folder 4
Pre-Dedicational Services , 1983-06-24	Box 2	folder 5
Solemn Assembly, 2012-01	Box 2	Folder 6
Solemn Assembly, 2010-01-05	Box 2	folder 7
Dedication Services, Family Life Building , 1996-07-21	Box 2	folder 8
Pre-Dedicatorial Worship of the New Hope Expansion , 1996-07-14	Box 2	folder 9
35th Anniversary, 1969-10	Box 2	folder 10
43rd Anniversary Celebration, 1977	Box 2	folder 17
50th Anniversary Fellowship Potluck , 1984-10-27	Box 2	Folder 11
62nd Anniversary, 1996-10-27	Box 2	Folder 12
71st Anniversary, 2005-10	Box 2	folder 13
75th Anniversary Gala Celebration, 2009-10-23	Box 2	folder 14

75th Anniversary Announcement, 2009-10	Box 2	Folder 15
Mortgage Burning Service, 1988-06-19	Box 2	Folder 16
75th Anniversary tributes	Box 34	Folder 17
Golden Anniversary yearbook (2 copies), 1984	Box 28	
75 Year Anniversary resolution plaque from Dr. Bernard Taylor, Jr., Superintendent of Grand Rapids Public Schools	Box 35	

Pastor Events and Services, 1950-2012

Box 3

Title/Description	Instances	
Service of Installation for Rev. Howard C. Earle, 2006-01-29	Box 3	Folder 1
Welcome Banquet and Installation Service for Pastor Donnell Smith, 1988-10	Box 3	Folder 2
Welcome Reception, Associate Pastor and Mrs. Marvin Williams, 1994-07	Box 3	folder 3
Pastor's Appreciation Reception , 2007-03-11	Box 3	Folder 4
5th Annual Pastor's Appreciation, 2011-03-20	Box 3	Folder 5
6th Annual Pastor's Appreciation , 2012-03-18	Box 3	Folder 6
The Victory Service for Donnell Smith, 1998-11-6	Box 3	Folder 7
Appreciation Services for Deacon and Mrs. Homer Mondy, 1988-11-13	Box 3	Folder 8
10th Anniversary of Rev. John V. Williams , 1959-04	Box 3	Folder 9
13th Anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. John V. Williams, 1962-04	Box 3	Folder 10
25th Anniversary of Dr. John V. Williams, 1974-04	Box 3	Folder 11
Pastor Howard C. Earle Inauguration and Sermons Project , 2009	Box 3	Folder 12
Service of Installation for The Reverend Derrick-Lewis Noble, Senior Pastor, 2000-02-13	Box 3	folder 77

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Box 3

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50th Anniversary Fellowship Potluck, 1984-10-27	Box 3	Folder 13
7th Annual Senior Appreciation Banquet, 1993-07-24	Box 3	Folder 14
2nd Annual Senior Recognition Banquet , 1988-08-27	Box 3	Folder 15
5th Annual Senior Appreciation Banquet, 1991-07-27	Box 3	Folder 16
Annual Back to School Prayer Luncheon , 1991-08-31	Box 3	folder 17

Celebrating Mothers and Life, 2009-05-02	Box 3	Folder 18
Fashion Show Luncheon , 2003-02-22	Box 3	Folder 19
Prayer Breakfast , 1997-01-25	Box 3	Folder 20
Valentines Day Dinner , 1991-02-14	Box 3	Folder 21
Mother Daughter Luncheon , 1991-04-13	Box 3	Folder 22
Senior Banquet , 1993-07-24	Box 3	Folder 23
New Hope Church Picnic, 1994-07-18	Box 3	Folder 24
Senior Appreciation Banquet , 1994-07-23	Box 3	Folder 25
Mother and Daughter Banquet , 2001-5-5	Box 3	Folder 26
Mother and Daughter Banquet, 2008-5-3	Box 3	Folder 27
Volunteer Appreciation Brunch , 2011-12-3	Box 3	Folder 28
26th Annual M.L.K. Celebration , 2012-01-15	Box 3	Folder 29
Friends of Rosa Parks Fundraiser Reception , 2009-08-27	Box 3	Folder 30
Save the Date, Rosa Parks Sculpture, 2010	Box 3	Folder 31
12th Annual Senior Recognition Banquet, 1998-07-25	Box 3	Folder 32
Black History Banquet , 2005-03-05	Box 3	Folder 33
23rd Annual Senior Recognition Banquet, 2009-07-25	Box 3	Folder 34
25th Annual Senior Recognition , 2011-07-23	Box 3	Folder 35

Homegoing, 1950-2012

Box 3

Scope and Contents

Homegoing is the term used by members of the New Hope Baptist Church for death. This series contains funeral programs.

Title/Description	Instances	
Belton, Hudson "Hut" , 2010-09-21	Box 3	Folder 36
Bentley Williams, Ruth L. , 2010-01-12	Box 3	Folder 37
Blackwell, Roberta , 2011-10-21	Box 3	Folder 38
Booker, Flyod, 2011-09-27	Box 3	Folder 39
Bowman, Louis Cecil, 2004-11-08	Box 3	folder 40
Butler, Flora Alberta, 2009-11-24	Box 3	Folder 41
Collins, Alphan, 2009-05-13	Box 3	Folder 42
Cross, Grace Goodson , 2011-08-20	Box 3	Folder 43

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Edmond, Leroy Roscoe, 2001-12-21	Box 3	Folder 44
Edmond, Leroy Roscoe Bruce, 2000-11-13	Box 3	Folder 45
Flemings, George C., 2002-03-16	Box 3	Folder 46
Floyd, Al'Kai'la Tonee', 2006-07-26	Box 3	Folder 47
Frazier, Laneaka Montae, 1983-09-08	Box 3	Folder 48
Gartmon, Virginia Maxine, 2010-04-17	Box 3	Folder 49
Gill, Dora Lee, 2008-10-09	Box 3	Folder 50
Gill, Frances, 2011-09-10	Box 3	Folder 51
Gill, Robert Lee, 1999-11-13	Box 3	Folder 52
Guydon, Elve, 2004-03-18	Box 3	Folder 53
Harris, Moses R., 2009-06-26	Box 3	Folder 54
Harvey Cross, Helen Louise, 2009-06-19	Box 3	Folder 55
Jones, Doris, 2011-09-23	Box 3	folder 56
Keaton, Quinten Lamont, 2011-07-23	Box 3	Folder 57
Leslie, Mayhue , 2008-04-17	Box 3	Folder 58
Likely, Martha, 2010-03-27	Box 3	Folder 59
Little, Irvin, 2010-06-11	Box 3	Folder 60
Moody, Doris J., 2011-03-21	Box 3	Folder 61
Moton, Johnie Mae, 2010-10-21	Box 3	Folder 62
Padron, Alberta, 1993-02-05	Box 3	Folder 63
Palmer, Annie Belle, 2009-11-17	Box 3	Folder 64
Pulliam, Yergan Clayton, 2003-12-30	Box 3	Folder 65
Stewart-Matthews, Dorothy Jean, 2010-12-27	Box 3	Folder 66
Tate, Tenny Wilson, 2003-12-15	Box 3	Folder 67
Thurman, Booker T., 1991-03-18	Box 3	Folder 68
Walker, James G., 2003-01-21	Box 3	Folder 69
Williams, Alma Jeanette, 2010-09-09	Box 3	Folder 70
Williams, Ivory, 2007-06-30	Box 3	Folder 71
Williams, Dr. John V., 1987-06-15	Box 3	Folder 72
Williams, Robert, 2010-02-20	Box 3	Folder 73
Letter to the Levi Family, 2000-08-30	Box 3	Folder 74
Letter to the Family of John Brinson, 2000-12-29	Box 3	Folder 75

Perry, Alma, 1987-06-03

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II. Church Business

Scope and Contents

This series contains yearbooks, ledgers, directories, invocations, histories, and other church business documents. This series also contains audio/visual materials like VHS tapes, audio tapes, and documents and materials which were stored on a floppy disk. All floppy disk materials have been downloaded and are available. Please ask staff for more details.

Membership and Committee Lists, 1958-2012

Box 4

Title/Description	Instances	
History Committee , 1990-02-18	Box 4	Folder 1
History Committee Notes, 1990-02-18	Box 4	Folder 2
Consolation Committee	Box 4	folder 3
Consolation Committee - Dining Room Committee Members	Box 4	Folder 4
Member List	Box 4	Folder 5
Membership List , 1999-05	Box 4	folder 6
Member List , 1998-05-12	Box 4	Folder 7
List of Organizations and Schools	Box 4	Folder 8
Officers Recommended for the Year 1990, 1990	Box 4	Folder 9
Committee Members, 1989-09	Box 4	Folder 10
Sunday School Staff, (1999-2000)	Box 4	folder 11
Bible Study Sign In Sheets, (1988-1989)	Box 4	Folder 12
Mailing List, 2010	Box 4	folder 13
Baptist Fellowship Members	Box 4	Folder 14
Hospitality List	Box 4	Folder 15

Blank Forms, 1958-2012

Box 4

Title/Description	Instances	
Ministry Plan	Box 4	Folder 16
Kitchen Form	Box 4	Folder 17
History Committee Sign In Sheet, 1991-01-20	Box 4	Folder 18

Logo	Box 4	Folder 19
Thanksgiving Offering Envelope	Box 4	Folder 20
Member Survey, 1993	Box 4	Folder 21
BTU Questionnaire	Box 4	folder 22
Prayer Concerns	Box 4	Folder 23
Special Project Fund Envelope	Box 4	Folder 24
Member Survey, 1993	Box 4	Folder 25
Voucher	Box 4	Folder 26
Envelope	Box 4	Folder 27
Thank You Card - Friend Day	Box 4	Folder 28
Tithe Envelope	Box 4	folder 29
A Friendly Contract, 1990-04-22	Box 4	Folder 30
Envelope	Box 4	Folder 31
Order Form	Box 4	Folder 32
A Helping Hand	Box 4	Folder 33
Graduate Information Form	Box 4	Folder 34
Evaluation Form for Associate Pastor, 1994-02-06	Box 4	folder 35

**Procedures and Business Practices,
1958-2012**

Box 4

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The Media / Library Services Committee	Box 4	folder 37
Schedule of Workshops	Box 4	folder 38
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The Food Service Ministry Brochure	Box 4	Folder 40
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Financial Statements, 1958-2012

Box 4

Title/Description	Instances	
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Income Statement, 2000-06-01	Box 4	Folder 46
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Income Statement, 2000-10-05	Box 4	folder 48
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Title/Description	Instances	
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Meeting Notes	Box 4	Folder 50
National Baptist Foreign Mission Board Spring Board Meeting, 1993-05	Box 4	folder 51
Church Business Meeting , 1993-07-16	Box 4	Folder 52
Needs Assessment Committee Meeting, 1993-09-18	Box 4	folder 53
Special Call Church Meeting, 1994-02-10	Box 4	Folder 54
Special Church Meeting , 1994-03-31	Box 4	Folder 55
Church Expansion Meeting, 1994-04-04	Box 4	Folder 56
Semi-Annual Church Meeting, 1994-07-14	Box 4	Folder 57
52nd Annual Bush Meeting , 1994-08-14	Box 4	Folder 58
Special Call Meeting , 1998-09-14	Box 4	Folder 59
Quarterly Meeting , 1999-04-29	Box 4	folder 60
Church Meeting , 1999-12-18	Box 4	Folder 61
Quarterly Business Meeting Minutes, 2000-08-03	Box 4	folder 62
Quarterly Church Meeting , 2002-04-11	Box 4	Folder 63
Quarterly Church Meeting , 2002-07-25	Box 4	Folder 64
Quarterly Business Meeting , 2003-07-31	Box 4	Folder 65
Quarterly Church Meeting , 2005-07-14	Box 4	folder 66
Quarterly Church Meeting , 2007-04-10	Box 4	Folder 67
Quarterly Church Meeting, 2010-10-26	Box 4	folder 68
Pulpit Committee minutes, 1988	Box 4	folder 78
Pulpit Committee, Senior Pastor resumes and correspondence, 1988	Box 4	Folder 79
Pulpit Committee, Senior Pastor resumes and correspondence, 1988	Box 4	Folder 80

Invoices, 1958-2012		Box 4	
Title/Description	Instances		
Invoice Presto Print, 1997-03-24	Box 4	folder 69	
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Big Top Market, 2001-02-05	Box 4	Folder 71	
National Baptist Convention, 1997-02-12	Box 4	Folder 72	
By-laws , 1958-2012		Box 4	
Title/Description	Instances		
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New Hope By-laws, 1999-02-11	Box 4	Folder 74	
New Hope By-laws, 2000-01-09	Box 4	Folder 75	
Study Guides, 1958-2012		Box 7	
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Notes	Box 7	folder 36	
Study Notes	Box 7	Folder 37	
Study in Romans	Box 7	folder 38	
Transparencies	Box 7	Folder 39	
Ten Strategies to First Rate Reading	Box 7	Folder 40	
Diagrams	Box 7	Folder 41	
What is God's Will for My Life, 2000-03-08	Box 7	folder 42	
Forgetting Those Things Which Are Behind	Box 7	folder 43	
Spiritual Gift Assessment	Box 7	folder 44	
Life Lessons from Esther	Box 7	folder 45	
Skit 1 and 2	Box 7	folder 46	
Living Above Average	Box 7	folder 47	
What Can I Do To Make A Difference	Box 7	Folder 48	
History Notes, 1958-2012		Box 7	
Title/Description	Instances		
Notes	Box 7	folder 49	
Notes, 1990	Box 7	folder 50	

Notes, 1993	Box 7	Folder 51
Notes	Box 7	folder 52
Notes	Box 7	Folder 53
Notes	Box 7	folder 54
Notes	Box 7	folder 55
Notes	Box 7	Folder 56
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Notes, (1934-2000)	Box 7	folder 58

New Member Forms, 1958-2012

Box 8

Scope and Contents

Completed new members forms which include name, address, phone number, age, date of birth, occupation, employment shift, marital status and how the applicant heard about the church.

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C	Box 8	folder 3
D	Box 8	Folder 4
E	Box 8	folder 5
F	Box 8	folder 6
G	Box 8	folder 7
H	Box 8	folder 8
J	Box 8	Folder 9
K	Box 8	folder 10
L	Box 8	folder 11
M	Box 8	folder 12
N	Box 8	folder 13
O	Box 8	folder 14
P	Box 8	folder 15
Q	Box 8	folder 16
R	Box 8	folder 17
S	Box 8	folder 18

T	Box 8	Folder 19
V	Box 8	folder 20
W	Box 8	Folder 21
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Directories and Yearbooks, 1954-2012

Box 9

Title/Description	Instances	
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February Program, 2003	Box 9	folder 2
Directory, 1963	Box 9	folder 3
Directory, 1966	Box 9	Folder 4
Directory, 1973	Box 9	folder 5

Activity Calendars, 1954-2012

Box 9

Title/Description	Instances	
Activities, 1987	Box 9	Folder 6
Activities Calendar, 1990	Box 9	folder 7
Activities Calendar, 1991	Box 9	folder 8
Activities Calendar, 1993	Box 9	folder 9
Calendar for the Year, 1998	Box 9	Folder 10

Guest Books, 1954-2012

Box 10

Scope and Contents

The guest book was signed by people who were not members of New Hope Baptist Church but were attending religious services as guests.

Title/Description	Instances	
Guest Book, (1943-03-14-1979-11-18)	Box 10	
Guest Book, (1986-1987)	Box 10	

Ledgers, 1944-1970

Scope and Contents

Financial ledgers detailing income and expenditures.

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Ledger, (1940-01-1944-10)	Box 11	

Legder, (1965-1971)	Box 11
Record, (1961-1964)	Box 11
BTU Union, (1966-1968)	Box 12
BTU Union, (1962-1964)	Box 12
BTU Union, (1985-1989)	Box 12
Mission, (1986-1988)	Box 12
Sunday School Book, (1967-1968)	Box 12
Delegates Enrollment, (1965-1970)	Box 12

A/V and Digital Material , 1990-2004

Title/Description	Instances
VHS #1 Sunday School Seminar #1	Box 13
VHS #2 Picnic and Friends Day, 1995-06-24	Box 13
VHS # 3 Circle of Friends Ranch, 1996	Box 13
VHS #4 National Baptist Convention, 1997-08-20	Box 13
VHS #5 Rev. John Williams Jr., 2002-08-25	Box 13
VHS #6 Spring in the Air	Box 13
VHS #7 Spring in the Air	Box 13
VHS #8 Men's Conference: Christian Men in the New Decade	Box 13
VHS #9 The Ministry of Singles Pleasing the Lord	Box 13
VHS #10 The Navigators: Lifestyle Evangelism and Follow-Up in the Church	Box 13
VHS #11 Steps to Revitalize your Sunday School and Keep your Church Growing	Box 13
VHS #12 Drill Team Competition	Box 13
VHS #13 Sunday School Seminar #2	Box 13
VHS #14 Unlabeled	Box 13
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Tape #3 Annual Meeting #2, 2004-01-22	Box 13
Tape #4 Annual Meeting #3, 2004-01-22	Box 13
Tape #5 Quarterly Meeting, 2004-06-04	Box 13
Tape #6 Quarterly Business Meeting, 2004-07-15	Box 13
Tape #7 Retention Meeting, 2004-09-11	

	Box 13
Tape #8 Quarterly Meeting, 2004-10-12	Box 13
Tape #9 By-Laws Meeting, 2004-12-07	Box 13
Tape #10 3rd Meeting Budget and By-laws, 2004-12-11	Box 13
Tape #11 Bylaws Church Meeting	Box 13
Tape #12 Aug 24 - Tape #2	Box 13
Tape #13 Sunday Meeting, One Candidate - Rev. Earle	Box 13
Tape #14 Singing	Box 13
Tape #15 Church Meeting with Rev Earle Q/A	Box 13
Tape #16 Wednesday Night Bible Study	Box 13
Tape #17 Shirley's Story/Blanche Babers, 1992-05-31	Box 13
DVD #1 75th Anniversary Gala, 2009-10-23	Box 13

Floppy Disks, 1980-2000

Title/Description	Instances
Disk #1 Women's Ministry Family Conference, Financial Report 2001, Bobi, Healthcare Symbol, 2001	Box 13
Disk #2 Church By-laws review meeting, Annual Church Budget Presentation , 2003-12-18	Box 13
Disk #3 Conference Notice, Women's Ministry, Family Conference, n.d.	Box 13
Disk #4 Women's Ministry Reminder, Joe Comdoy Letter, New Hope Church Stationary, Dr. Maryane Kimbraugh, Margaret Sellers Walker, Surly Bell, Women's Ministry Report, 2000-05-13	Box 13
Disk #5 Inside Cover- About Our Guest, Mrs. Mary Williams, News Release, Mrs Nancy Dudley Program outling, Temple to Christ, n.d.	Box 13
Disk #6 Women Accountable Flyer, Church 2, Women's Ministry Report, Jhood picture, n.d.	Box 13
Disk #7 Women's Day committee, Women's Propoed Dates, Women's Ministry, Scriptures, Sign-up Sheet, July 15 Bulletines Mailed, Letter end, 2000	Box 13
Disk #8 Groups of People, Bobbi, Family Conference, 2003-10-24	Box 13
Disk #9 Women's Ministries, Membership Form, Theme, 2003 Conference, 2003	Box 13
Disk #10 Mr. Rick Rasberry, Computer class, Bessi L, Elegant Fax, Budget Expenses, 2001-07-25	Box 13

Disk #11 Women's Ministry Meeting, Swing into Spring, Pasto Derrick-Lewis, Spectrum Health Flyers, House Rules/Schedule, 2001-02-26-2001-03-08	Box 13
Disk #12 Gwen, You Are Never Alone, n.d.	Box 13
Disk #13 Publisher 98, Library Ministry, Women's Ministry membership list, We Thank You For Your Gift, n.d.	Box 13
Disk #14 Notebook is the property of Blanche Babers, n.d.	Box 13
Disk #15 Happy Mother's Day, Panel Discussion, Women's Ministry Display, n.d.	Box 13
Disk #16 Women Pleasing God, 2002-09-27-2009-09-29	Box 13
Disk #17 Bobbi Smith, Book Discussion, What you Owe Me, Ethel Smothers, Letters/Black History Programs, 2001-2002	Box 13
Disk #18 Women's Ministry, Family Conference, Phil 3-16, Women of Sound Doctrine, 2001-09	Box 13
Disk #19 Women's Ministry Guidelines, Cynthia's Computer, n.d.	Box 13
Disk #20 How We Got Over, Bible Study, Showing: Passion, 2004-11-13	Box 13
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III. Conferences

Scope and Contents

The New Hope Baptist Church Leadership Conference materials such as program booklets, letters, and promotional materials can be found in this series. Also included are materials concerning other conferences involving New Hope such as a gospel music workshop, National Baptist Convention of America materials, and the African American lecture series.

Leadership, 1990-2000	Box 5
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First Leadership Conference, 1990-02-17	Box 5 folder 1
Second Annual Leadership Conference, 1991-02	Box 5 Folder 2

Leadership Conference, 1993-02	Box 5	Folder 3
Leadership Conference, 1993-09-14	Box 5	folder 4
Leadership Conference , 1993-09-14	Box 5	Folder 5
Leadership Development Institute, 2000-02-26	Box 5	Folder 6
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Leadership Development Institute , 2000-07-29	Box 5	Folder 8
Leadership Development Institute , 2000-07	Box 5	folder 9
Leadership Institute Sign Up, 2000-09-30	Box 5	Folder 10
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Title/Description	Instances	
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Minorities Preparing for Higher Education Seminar, 1990-04-21	Box 5	Folder 14
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Resource Worskshop, 1993-02-27	Box 5	Folder 21
Church-Wide Stewardship Conference, 1993-05-26	Box 5	Folder 22
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Rebecca Florence Osaigbovo Bio	Box 5	Folder 26
Rebecca Osaigbovo About the Author	Box 5	folder 27
Attendee List - Osaigbovo	Box 5	folder 28
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Letter to Rebecca Osaigbovo, 1997-02-18	Box 5	folder 30
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Membership Restoration Conference, 2010-05	Box 5	Folder 34
Kingdom Life Conference, 2011	Box 5	Folder 35
Senior Ministry Color Tour , 1990-10-20	Box 5	Folder 36
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IV. Women's Ministry

Scope and Contents

Materials include Women's Ministries business documents such as rules, meeting minutes, and sign up sheets. Also included are posters, letters, and event materials.

Women's Committee Business, 1958-2012	Box 6	
Title/Description	Instances	
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VII. History Exhibit

Separated Materials:

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The exhibit series is split into two groups. Box 21 contains a smaller and older exhibit regarding the history of New Hope Baptist Church while the second, more recent exhibit are large foam core exhibit signs stored in box 22. This larger second exhibit was made for the 80th Anniversary celebration of New Hope Baptist Church and includes a detailed list identifying church members in photographs.

Title/Description	Instances
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