

Kedron United Methodist Church records

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Summary Information

Repository	Historical Society of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church
Creator	Kedron United Methodist Church (Morton, Pa.)
Title	Kedron United Methodist Church records
Call number	42
Date [inclusive]	1871-2006
Extent	1.5 linear feet
General Physical Description note	5 boxes, 5 volumes, 1 folder
Language	English
Abstract	<p>Kedron Methodist Episcopal Church was organized in Morton, Delaware County, Pennsylvania in 1860. Circa 2006, Kedron United Methodist Church was discontinued and several, if not all, of its remaining members transferred to C. C. Hancock Memorial United Methodist Church in nearby Springfield Township (Delaware County, Pennsylvania). The Kedron United Methodist Church records, 1871-2006, consist largely of membership and vital records such as baptisms, marriages, deaths, and transfers. Also included are some minutes of the Official Board, Charge Conference records, photographs, anniversary programs, historical materials, directories, bulletins, and other documents.</p>

Biography/History

Methodism is a protestant Christian faith based in the teachings of John Wesley (1703-1791), who preached "practical divinity," emphasis on Christian living, and putting faith and love into action. The Methodist Episcopal Church was organized in 1784 in Baltimore, Maryland with Francis Asbury and Thomas Coke as its first bishops and held its first general conference in 1792. In May of 1939, the Methodist Episcopal Church; the Methodist Episcopal Church, South; and the Methodist Protestant Church united to form the Methodist Church (U.S.). In 1946 the Church of the United Brethren in Christ (New constitution) and the Evangelical Church united to form the Evangelical United Brethren Church. In 1968 the Methodist Church (U.S.) and the Evangelical United Brethren Church united, forming the United Methodist Church (U.S.).

Initially established as a Sunday School in 1859 in the home of James and Nancy Hammond, Kedron Methodist Episcopal Church was formally organized in Morton, Delaware County, Pennsylvania in 1860. Circa 2006, Kedron United Methodist Church was discontinued and several, if not all, of its remaining members transferred to C. C. Hancock Memorial United Methodist Church in nearby Springfield Township (Delaware County, Pennsylvania).

Bibliography:

Kedron Methodist Church. *95th Anniversary Program*. 1955. Document viewed in collection.

Scope and Contents

This collection consists largely of membership and vital records such as baptisms, marriages, deaths, and transfers, 1871-2006. Also included are some minutes of the Official Board, Charge Conference records, photographs, anniversary programs, historical materials, directories, bulletins, and other documents. A folder-level inventory for the collection is available.

Administrative Information

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Sponsor

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Access Restrictions

Contact Historical Society of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church for information about accessing this collection.

Immediate Source of Acquisition Note

The Historical Society of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church is the repository for records of member churches when they close.

Processing Information Note

Summary descriptive information on this collection was compiled in 2012-2014 as part of a project conducted by the Historical Society of Pennsylvania to make better known and more accessible the largely hidden collections of small, primarily volunteer run repositories in the Philadelphia area. The Hidden Collections Initiative for Pennsylvania Small Archival Repositories (HCI-PSAR) was funded by a grant from The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.

This is a preliminary finding aid. No physical processing, rehousing, reorganizing, or folder listing was accomplished during the HCI-PSAR project.

In some cases, more detailed inventories or finding aids may be available on-site at the repository where this collection is held; please contact Historical Society of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church directly for more information.

Existence and Location of Copies

Some church records at the Historical Society of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church, particularly membership and vital records, are available in digital form through Ancestry.com or on microfilm at the Historical Society of Pennsylvania and/or the Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania.

Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- Kedron United Methodist Church (Morton, Pa.)
- United Methodist Church (U.S.)

Geographic Name(s)

- Delaware County (Pa.)
- Morton (Delaware County, Pa.)

Subject(s)

- Methodism
- Methodists

Collection Inventory

	Box	Folder
Membership Directories, 1964, 1973, 1985.	1	1
Official Board Minutes, 1890-1896.	1	2
Official Board Minutes, 1952-1965.	1	3
Official Board / Administrative Board Minutes, 1965-1979.	1	4
Charge Conference Records, 1978-1980.	1	5
Charge Conference Records, 1981-1982.	1	6
History, compiled, 1966-1985.	1	7
Newsletters, 1981-1989.	1	8
70th, 75th, 80th Anniversaries, 1930, 1935, 1940.	1	9

90th Anniversary, 1950.	1	10
95th Anniversary, 1955.	1	11
100th Anniversary, 1960.	1	12
110th Anniversary, 1970.	1	13
115th Anniversary, 1975.	1	14
125th Anniversary, 1985.	1	15
Photographs, 1983.	1	16
Bulletins, 14 Sep 1941, 1 Jan 1956.	1	17
Membership Records, 1966-2006.	2	1
Membership Records, transferred to C. C. Hancock, 2006.	2	2

	Box	Fold
Church records, 1871-1891.	1	
Church records, 1918-1953.	2	
Church records, 1891-1917.	3	
Church records, 1953-1988.	4	
Baptisms and marriages, 1901-1990.	5	
	Box	Fold
History file - History Notebook 1935.	1	