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**Inventory of the
Emanuel A.M.E. Church Records, circa 1950 - 1982**

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Descriptive Summary

Title:	Emanuel A.M.E. Church Records,
Dates:	circa 1950 - 1982
Creator:	Emanuel A.M.E. Church.
Abstract:	<p>Emanuel A.M.E. Church is located in the area of St. Andrew's Parish, Charleston County, South Carolina that once was part of the incorporated African American town of Maryville. The town lost its charter in 1936 and the area is now part of the City of Charleston. The church continues on its original site, at the intersection of Fifth Avenue and Highway 61.</p> <p>The records consist of three volumes containing minutes of the leadership of the church, detailing all elements of business and religious life; with various sporadic listings of members, monthly contributions to the church and other financial records. Many of the minutes are written in a modified form of Gullah. Miscellaneous materials include financial receipts and some information about Maryville, including correspondence of the West Ashley Civic Association.</p>
Extent:	.5 linear feet(1 archival box)
Repository:	Avery Research Center at the College of Charleston
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Historical Note

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Collection Arrangement

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Restrictions

Access Restrictions

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Subject Headings

African Methodist Episcopal Church -- South Carolina -- Charleston.

Church records and registers -- South Carolina -- Charleston.

Emanuel A.M.E. Church (Charleston, S.C.)

Emanuel A.M.E. Church (Charleston, S.C.) -- History.

Maryville (S.C.) -- History.

Administrative Information

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Detailed Description of the Collection

1. Church Records, 1950-1982

Box 1 Folder 1 Record Book, 1950-1953

Contains sporadic lists of church member rolls; minutes of mostly monthly meetings, monthly lists of income and expenditures; and lists of member donations. Minutes, some written in modified Gullah, detail prayers and hymns sung at meetings, with all types of business discussed; with many mentions of cemetery.

Box 1 Folder 2 Record Book, 1956-1960, 1970 and 1975

Contains numerous lists of church members with monthly notations of donations. Mostly monthly trustee minutes discuss all manner of church business, financial and otherwise, and note prayers offered and hymns sung. Minutes from some other committee meetings included as well; records show varying degrees of writing skills.

Box 1 Folder 3 Record Book, 1966-1982

Contains various member rolls, minutes of monthly church trustee meetings, noting prayers and hymns and detailing all levels of business conducted with financial reports and some loose materials.

Box 1 Folder 4 Loose Papers, circa 1950-1980

Includes many financial jottings and receipts for various services and purchases; with lists of people buying raffle tickets to benefit the cemetery; and notice regarding tax exempt status of church-owned land.

Box 1 Folder 5 Miscellaneous Materials

Includes a church program, a pledge envelope and a burial removal/transit permit.

1. Maryville Materials, 1954-1962

Box 1 Folder 6 Correspondence, 1954-1962

Includes West Ashley Civic Association and others regarding maintaining and paving roads in Maryville and requests for permission to use Deming School property for a neighborhood park and recreation center.

Box 1 Folder 7 Maryville Community

Includes photocopies of data on a 1931 murder of 12 year old Albert Simons by 85 year old William Mims, for insurance money.