

**Center for Mennonite Brethren Studies
Fresno, California**

**General Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches
Board of Resource Ministries
An Inventory of Records**

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Creator: General Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches. Board of Resource Ministries.
Title: Records of the Board of Resource Ministries.
Inclusive dates: 1990-2002.
Quantity: 1.3 linear ft.
Record Group No.: A300.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The Board of Resource Ministries was established by the General Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches in 1990. It replaced the boards of Christian Education, Christian Literature, and Mass Media, all of which were disbanded in 1990. The purpose of this board was to monitor the need for print and non-print resources in all areas of church life, and to produce needed resources; to promote and distribute Mennonite Brethren-produced materials to the larger Christian constituency; to function as a link between boards and national conferences in matters of resource development; and to operate Kindred Press (later known as Kindred Productions), the publishing arm of the General Conference. The Board also participated in inter-Mennonite publishing ventures, including *Rejoice!* (an inter-Mennonite devotional periodical) and the Jubilee curriculum project. This board ceased to exist with the dissolution of the General Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches in 2002.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE COLLECTION

This record group includes board minutes and reports, 1990-2002; board correspondence, 1990-1999; and documents relating to various projects of the board, 1990-2002.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

Box 1

Minutes of the board, 1990-2002
Reports from Executive Secretary, 1992-1999
Correspondence, 1990-1999
Job descriptions, 1991-1995
Direction magazine, 1990-1997
Faith-Family Focus curriculum series, 1991-1999
A Journey Into Faithfulness youth membership manual, 1996
Leadership manual, 1995-1998
Mennonite Brethren Bible Study Guide, 1996-1999
"More Than Music" project, 1995-1997
"Never Alone" video project, ca. 1990
Resource Review, 1995-1999
"Word Wise" curriculum series, 1999

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Rejoice! magazine

Council minutes, 1990-2000

Correspondence, 1990-2000

Finances, 1990-1998

Editorial reports, 1993-1994

Box 2

Jubilee curriculum project

"Anabaptist Story" proposal, 1992

Anabaptist Curriculum Publishing Council minutes, 1992-2002

Anabaptist Curriculum Marketing Committee minutes, 1991-2000

Correspondence, 1992-1998

Jubilee Update, 1993-2000

Evaluations, 1995-2000

With magazine, 1993

Worship Together hymnal project, 1992-1994

Caricatures of Don Ratzlaff by Lorlie Barkman, undated