



Collection: White House Central Files, Subject Files Series: Religious Matters [NAID 591637]

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RELIGIOUS MATTERS (RM)

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Scope and content note:

The category "Religious Matters" includes denominational views on various sectarian and non-sectarian issues; prayers, prayer breakfasts, prayer in public schools, and Bibles used by the President.

For material pertaining to Inaugural prayers, the President's favorite prayer, and the President's church affiliations, see PP.

Date range: 1963-1969

- · 3 linear feet
- · Available for research (Open)

Subcategories:

RM RELIGIOUS MATTERS

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Correspondence with the President regarding religious feelings; requests for the President to attend religious functions; meetings with religious leaders; and offers to build a non-denominational prayer center in Washington, DC, 6.25

inches.

RM/FG RELIGIOUS MATTERS/FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

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Correspondence and memoranda including separation of church and state, Federal aid to education, Supreme Court decisions on Bible reading and prayer in the public schools, and public opinion mail supporting Dr. Carl McIntire's stand

on the Vietnam War, 7.25 inches.

RM 1 BIBLES





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Box 3

Correspondence regarding the Bibles used by the President. Most of the file consists of cross reference material.

RM 2 PRAYERS – PRAYER PERIODS, PRAYER BREAKFASTS

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Boxes 4-5

Correspondence concerning Presidential Prayer Breakfasts, requests for prayers from the President, and requests for special days of prayer. General RM 2 contains letters from college student body presidents in reaction to the Presidential Prayer Breakfast of February 4, 1965, 7.25 inches.

RM 2/ED PRAYERS/EDUCATION

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Box 5

EX RM 2/ED contains copies of statements on the issue of prayer in public schools submitted to the House Committee on the Judiciary by C. Emanuel Carlson, Daniel Heller, Cornelius Gallagher, and William Reitzer. The remainder of the file is correspondence involved with the Supreme Court decisions on Engel vs. Vitale and Abington School District vs. Schempp. Included in General RM 2/ED is a letter from Norbert A. Schlei, dated January 26, 1965, which states the Johnson !d ministration's views of the Supreme Court decisions on school prayer, 2.75 inches.

RM 3 RELIGIONS

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Box 6

Most of Executive RM 3 is cross reference. The General file contains correspondence with individuals or groups, representing religious organizations, requesting meetings with the President and protesting or supporting various religious events, 1 inch.

RM 3-1 CATHOLIC

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Correspondence expressing various Catholic viewpoints on Vietnam, closer relations between the Vatican and the United States, civil rights, population control, and Federal aid to parochial schools. A large amount of this file is cross referenced to ME 3, 3.5 inches.





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RM 3-2 JEWISH

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Correspondence reflecting Jewish opinions on treatment of Jews in the Soviet Union, the Middle East, the Vietnam War, and the relationship between Jews and the Administration. Most of the file is cross referenced to Messages (ME). General RM 3-2 includes a letter from Myer Feldman, dated March 19, 1964, that states Johnson's views on the Middle East as a Senator and Vice President. (This file does not contain information concerning the Middle Eastern war of June 1967.) 5 inches.

RM 3-3 PROTESTANT

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Correspondence concerning Protestant viewpoints on meetings of several Protestant denominations at the White House, Baptist views on the Civil Rights Act of 1964, persecution of Baptists in the Soviet Union, and actions of the Turkish government regarding the Ecumenical Patriarchate of the Greek Orthodox in Istanbul, 4.75 inches.



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