



Michigan Conference United Methodist Archives

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Westland St. James United Methodist Church Records, 1963-2003

History Note:

A group of Inskter Methodists organized St. James Methodist Church in 1946 as part of the Lexington Conference, an African American conference. The church transferred to the Detroit Conference upon the demise of the Lexington Conference in the 1960s and moved to Westland in 1967. This church is still active.

Scope Note:

The collection contains booklets published at the time of various anniversaries, groundbreaking, and dedication ceremonies, along with scattered church conference reports, photographs, and newsletters.

Extent:

0.4 linear feet (ca. 800 pages)

Access Restrictions:

The collection is open to research.

Restrictions on Use:

Photocopying is handled by the staff and may be limited in certain instances. Before using any material for publication from this collection a formal request for permission to publish is expected and required.

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Appointments List

- 1946-1950: Ernest Monamus (as Inkster: St. James African American)
- 1950-1952: Chester A. Trammell
- 1952-1955: George B. Smith
- 1955-1956: Chester R. Trice
- 1956-1958: Luther Flanagan
- 1958-1960: George B. Smith
- 1960-1967: Archie Alexander
- 1967-1968: David M. Jordan, David Speiler, & James Norris Porter (as Westland St. James)
- 1968-1971: Bradley F. Watkins
- 1971-1974: Clarence Acklin
- 1974-1979: Charles A. Talbert
- 1980-1984: Janet Gaston Petty
- 1984-1986: Theodore Whitely
- 1986-1995: Robert G. Williams
- 1995-October 1999: Elias Mumbiro
- November 1999-April 2000: Cheryl Myhand
- May 2000-2003: Hydrian Elliott
- September 2003-2008: Carter M. Grimmett
- 2008-2015: Willie Frank Smith
- 2015-2017: Christopher M. Grimes
- 2017-Present: Rahim O. Shabazz

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Box 1	Westland St. James <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Anniversary Booklets (including historical sketches), 1969-2003• Church Conferences, 1992, 1996, and 1998• Church Events, Notices, and Programs, 1980-2001• Groundbreaking and Dedication Ceremonies, 1963-1992• Miscellaneous• Newsletters, 1990• Photographs• Trustees Annual Reports, 1987-1992