



Reverend Kazee Papers (CG0087)

Collection Number: CG0087

Collection Title: Reverend Kazee Papers

Dates: 1913-1957

Creator: Rev. Daniel Boone Kazee (1877-1969)

Abstract: This collection contains materials created by Rev. Daniel B. Kazee, a Methodist reverend who traveled to different churches in Missouri, Illinois, and Kentucky.

Collection Size: 0.4 cubic feet (8 folders)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

Restrictions on Access: Collection is open for research. This collection is available at [The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Cape Girardeau](#). If you would like more information, please contact us at capegirardeau@shsmo.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Historical Note:

Rev. Daniel Boone Kazee was born on October 1, 1877, in Lawrence, Kentucky, to parents John William Kazee and Elizabeth Jayne Kazee. He grew up with five siblings. In September 1899 he married Arizona Anna Johnson (1881-1966) in Redbush, Kentucky, and together they had four children: Charles (1900-1965), Susan (1906-1987), Lillian (1910-1989), and John (1920-1995). He and his family were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Rev. Kazee spent his career working as a Methodist circuit preacher in various cities in Kentucky, Illinois, and Missouri. He passed away on March 31, 1969, aged 91, in Poplar Bluff, Missouri.

Arrangement:

This collection has been arranged into a single series and is organized alphabetically.

Scope and Content Note:

The two thumb-indexed pastors' books and loose papers include information on church delegates, funerals, baptisms, church expenditures, benevolences, and marriages that occurred between 1934-1938 and between 1941-1942 at Rev. Kazee's church. At the end of each book there is a copy of the Ritual of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The copy of the *Daily Suggester* contains information about the Methodist church between 1939-1941 with room to write in memoranda, a week-by-week calendar of 1941 and a monthly overview of 1942.

The photographs contain one studio portrait of Kazee and one outdoor portrait of him with his wife and presumably three older children. The studio portrait of Kazee is kept in a portrait envelope. The family portrait is partially damaged and appears to have been taken from a scrapbook it was previously glued into. Both pictures are undated but the family portrait appears to have been taken sometime between 1910-1911, based on the ages of his children Charles, Lillian, and Susan.

The black leather journal contains notes from Rev. Kazee written likely for Bible study or for planning sermons. The Bible belonged to Rev. Kazee and the loose papers in the same folder are from Bibles likely owned by fellow church members. The copy of Webster's Dictionary was owned by his son, John Kazee and includes a page listing information including his address and clothing sizes.

The *Record of Marriages Solemnized* contains records of marriages in the church from 1913-1957. The *Song and Service Book for Ship and Field* contain various prayers, hymns, and services for the Army and Navy.

Container List:

- f. 1 Bible and loose papers, n.d.
- f. 2 Daily Suggester, 1942, n.d.
- f. 3 Photographs, n.d.
- f. 4 Records of Marriages Solemnized, 1913-1957
- f. 5 Sermon Notes, n.d.
- f. 6 Song and Service Book for Ship and Field, 1942
- f. 7 Thumb-Indexed Pastors Books and loose papers (1934-1942)

f. 8 Webster Dictionary, n.d.

Index:

Index Terms	Folder	Image
Bayliss, Mary, 1866-1916	1	No
Bible--Study and teaching--Methodist	5	No
Burke, M.C.	1	No
Hymns	6	No
Kazee, Arizona Anna (Johnson), 1881-1966	3	Yes
Kazee, Charles, 1900-1965	3	Yes
Kazee, Daniel Boone, 1877-1969	1-8	Yes
Kazee, John, 1920-1995	8	No
Kazee, Lillian, 1910-1989	3	Yes
Kazee, Susan, 1906-1989	3	Yes
Marriage records--Missouri	4	No
Prayers and devotions	6	No
Taylor, Edna	1	No