



Rocky Point Baptist Church, Ripley County, Missouri Records (R0569)

Collection Number: R0569

Collection Title: Rocky Point Baptist Church, Ripley County, Missouri Records

Dates: 1885-1933

Creator: Rocky Point Baptist Church (Ripley County, Mo.)

Abstract: The Rocky Point Baptist Church, Ripley County, Missouri Records are the record books and miscellaneous papers of Rocky Point Baptist Church in western Ripley County, Missouri.

Collection Size: (1 roll of microfilm)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

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Donor Information: The records were donated to the University of Missouri by Jerry Ponder on March 1, 1995 (Accession No. RA0621).

Related Materials: Additional materials related to the Rocky Point Baptist Church, Ripley County, Missouri Records can be found in the following collections:

Eleven Points River Baptist Association Records (R0356)
Jerry Wayne Ponder Papers (R1260)

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Historical Note:

Rocky Point Baptist Church was organized on July 29, 1885, at Alsup Schoolhouse in western Ripley County. The Reverend Jessie B. Roach presided over the organization of the church and was the pastor for the first eight years of its existence. Other pastors through 1926 included James Rutledge, J. J. Looney, C. A. Fowler, J. F. Glass, N. A. Brown, George Kenner, Charles Penrod, Knox Belue, and M. L. Winters. M. T. Smith was the first clerk of the church and kept the records for nearly thirty years. The congregation was a missionary Baptist organization. Rocky Point first affiliated with the State Line Baptist Association but joined the Eleven Points Baptist Association in 1888.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged in its original order.

Scope and Content Note:

The records of the church consist of two volumes and a group of miscellaneous papers. The volumes include minutes of church business meetings and membership rolls from the organization of the church through 1923. Business consisted of the acceptance and dismissal of new members, appointing delegates to associational meetings, and disciplining members for unacceptable conduct. The papers include miscellaneous correspondence and incomplete minutes of meetings through 1933.

The records of Rocky Point Church were filmed for the donor on 16mm film by the Missouri State Archives.

Container List:

Roll 1	v. 1	Record book, July 1885 - March 1899
	v. 2	Record book, April 1899 - March 1923
	v. 3	Papers including correspondence, minutes, 1909-1933

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