

Register of the

Elden Walter Papers

Collection 333

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Scope and Content

Elden Keith Walter was born on April 4, 1928 at Elma, Washington, and passed away at 87 years old on January 9, 2016 at Centralia, Washington. His wife was Arlys L. George-Walter-Qualley and his two daughters, Eve Garlyn and Eldena Colon. Elden Walter was most well-known as a Seventh-day Adventist American evangelist (famous for using an "Airatorium" in place of a tent) and author in the mid-20th century. He also served as a pastor, a mission pilot instrumental in the formation of Maranatha Flights International (now Maranatha Volunteers International), Field School Evangelism teacher with Andrews University, Director of the Bible School for the Voice of Prophecy, Ministerial Secretary for both the Southwestern Union and Pennsylvania Conferences, an international seminar speaker, and an administrator of companies overseeing retirement and assisted living facilities.

This collection consists largely of items related to Elden Walter's evangelistic work, including advertisements and handouts; writings of his and others, and a few miscellaneous items, such as notes, photographs and DVD's of his travels.

Arrangement

The arrangement of the collection was done by the Center for Adventist Research.

Provenance

This collection was donated in 2015 by Eve Garlyn and Eldena Colon, Elden Walter's daughters. It was taken from the scrapbook collection of Elden's late wife and their mother, Arlys.

Extent

1 box [1.6 linear feet].

Use

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I. General

Box 1 Fld 1 Donation Letters from donors (Elden's daughters)
Box 1 Fld 2 Handwritten notes (3 sheets)

II. Correspondence

Box 1 Fld 3 Elden Walter, 1954-1991 (8 letters + 1 empty
 envelope)
Box 1 Fld 4 Arlys Walter (wife) (1 letter)

III. Writings

By Elden Walter
Books

Box 1 Fld 5 *New Testament Witnessing*, Third
 Edition, 1972
Box 1 Fld 6 *Assurance in Witnessing*, 1997

Sermons, Bible Studies, and Manuals

Box 1 Fld 7 Handwritten sermon notes (4 pages)
Box 1 Fld 8 Set of Bible studies for meetings (21
 studies)
Box 1 Fld 9 "Factors in the Successful
 Administration of 'New Testament
 Witnessing' Program"
Box 1 Fld 10 "Twelve Basic Essentials to the Conduct
 of a Successful Crusade"
 prepared by the Ministerial
 Association of the Southwestern
 Union Conference (Elden Walter,
 Secretary)

By Others

- Box 1 Fld 11 Colon, Jac. "Revelation Now Crusade Visitation Guide" (Colon was Walter's son-in-law)
- Box 1 Fld 12 Wiggins, K. S. "How to Conduct a Successful Bible Seminar: A Tested Method For Using Group Dynamics To Win Souls At A Special Sabbath Morning Meeting." (Wiggins was the Ministerial Secretary and Evangelist of the Caribbean Union Conference), Trinidad, 1975
- Box 1 Fld 13 Ladd, George Eldon. Chapter 33, "The Pauline Psychology," taken from *A Theology of the New Testament* (photocopy)

IV. Evangelism Items

Articles Related to Walter and His Evangelistic Efforts

- Box 1 Fld 14 1959-1981 (4 articles)

Advertising

Flyers

- Box 1 Fld 15 Various Elden Walter events (20 flyers)
- Box 1 Fld 16 Non-Elden Prophecy Seminar evangelistic meetings (4 flyers)
- Box 1 Fld 17 Meetings held by Jac & Eldena Colon (Elden's daughter) (6 flyers)

Newspaper

- Box 1 Fld 18 Clippings of Elden Walter seminar ads (10 ads)

Ad Copy

- Box 1 Fld 19 Newspaper, TV & radio advertising draft documents for Elden Walter seminars

Event Materials

- Box 1 Fld 20 Organizational items for Elden Walter seminars (Order of subjects, expense tallies, seminar graphic design, etc.)
- Box 1 Fld 21 Drafts of circular letters sent to community around/attendees of Elden Walter seminars, 1976-1983 (21 letters)

Box 1 Fld 22 Items given to attendees of Elden Walter
 seminars (registration cards, offering
 envelopes, etc.)

Miscellaneous Resource Materials

Box 1 Fld 23 Charts, brochures, items from other seminars
 (6 items)

V. Audio/Visual

Photographs

Box 1 Fld 24 Elden Walter in ministry (7 photos)

Box 1 Fld 25 Walter family (3 photos)

DVD Sets of Travel Videos Shown in Walter Meetings

Box 1 Fld 26 Around the World Tour: 1959 and 1962

Box 1 Fld 27 1965 South American Trip: volume 1 and 2

Videocassette (non-VHS)

Box 2 Fld 1 Prophecy Seminar TV spots (4) from cable
 company

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