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RUTH EVANS FONDS

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RUTH EVANS FONDS. – 1970-1995. – 40 cm of textual records. – 1 photograph.

Ruth Evans was born in Warwick, England in 1930. She earned an honours B.A in 1952 and an M.A in 1956, both from Oxford. She later earned an M.A. from the Toronto School of Theology in 1980. She was the founder and executive secretary of the Toronto branch of the Association for the Repeal of the Canadian Abortion Law (ARCAL), and developed this into the Association for Contraceptive Counselling and Related Areas (ACCRA) for which she was the first Chairperson of the Board of Directors. With the church she acted as Chairperson of the United Church Committee on Abortion, and spoke on the report at 24th General Council, 1971. A member of the United Church Commission on Abortion 1975, and worked on the theological review and clarification submitted to General council in 1980. She was a member of the Conference Task force to raise consciousness in the church on the position of women, 1980. She worked for the Division of Mission in Canada and Director of the Office of Christian Development at General Council offices.

Fonds consists of the following series: 1) Records of the Association for Repeal of Canadian Abortion Laws (ARCAL) Toronto Branch, 1970-1973; 2) Records relating to the Association for Contraceptive Counselling and Related Areas (ACCRA), 1971-1976; 3) Materials Relating to Conferences and Workshops, 1972-1988; 4) Papers and Addresses, 1977-1987; 5) Correspondence, 1995; 6) Photographs, 1985.

See also Evan's records as Deputy Secretary of the Department of Christian Development, Division of Mission in Canada in Fonds 512, Series 3: Records Relating to the Department of Christian Development, and general involvement in the department in Fonds 512.

SERIES 1: RECORDS OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE REPEAL OF CANADIAN ABORTION LAWS (ARCAL) TORONTO BRANCH. --1970-1973.

Series consists of minutes, newsletters, correspondence, reports, printed material relating to ARCAL Toronto Branch, 1970-1973.

Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date(s)
2012.046C	2-4	Minutes, newsletters, press releases	1970-1971
	3-6	correspondence	1970-1971
	2-8	---	1971-1973
	2-17	--- re medical associations	1971
	3-2	Advisory Board Records	1972
	2-16	--- correspondence	1970-1971
	2-20	Field practice student records of (Shelley Finson) re Social Planning Council of Metropolitan Toronto	1970
	2-21	Practicum student records, Shelley Finson	1972
	2-18	Brief to the Minister's Committee of Inquiry into hospital privileges in Ontario and correspondence	1971
	3-3	briefs	1970-1971
	3-4	briefs, brochure, fact sheets	[1970-1972]
	3-5	ARCAL symposium	1971
	3-7	Print materials of ARCAL:	[n.d.]

1. Guidelines for Problem Pregnancy Counselling
2. Guide for a study program on abortion

SERIES 2: RECORDS RELATING TO THE ASSOCIATION FOR CONTRACEPTIVE COUNSELLING AND RELATED AREAS (ACCRA). --1971-1976.

Series consists of records of the Advisory Board, records re Planned Parenthood Toronto merger, correspondence, lists, articles and speeches, 1971-1976.

Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date(s)
2012.046C	2-10	By-laws, Advisory Board records	1972
	2-11	Advisory Board minutes, correspondence	1972-1976
	3-1	Inter-agency meeting on abortion and contraceptive counselling	1973
	2-14	Planned Parenthood Toronto merger	1973
	2-12	Correspondence re fundraising	1971-1972
	2-5	--- re United Community Fund	1972-1973
	2-6	--- re grant applications	1972-1973
	2-7	Staff, counsellors list, job descriptions	1972-1973
	2-9	Membership list	[197-?]
	2-13	Client fact sheets re. abortion	[197-?]
	2-15	Voting against motherhood? [article written by] Ruth Evans	[197-?]
	2-19	Letters and speeches of Ruth Evans (also contains ARCAL)	1971- [197-?]

SERIES 3: MATERIALS RELATING TO CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS. --1972-1988.

Series consists of records re conferences and workshops given around Ontario and Canada, 1972-1988.

Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date(s)
2012.046C	2-22	Ontario Psychiatric Association Annual meeting - workshop	1972
	2-1	Women in Ministry Agents of Social Change - Report and evaluation	1979
	1-12	Celebrating the sacred: Building Culture, Weaving Hope - 25 th Anniversary of the Saskatchewan Christian Feminist Network.	1981
	2-2	National Symposium on the implications of Feminist Theology	1982
	2-3	Created Woman - faith and sexual politics	1982
	1-4	Banff Women's Conference	1982
	1-5	Feminist Theology	1983
	1-6	Beyond Survival Prairie Christian Training Centre	1983
	1-7	Women who are dancing on the edge Prairie Christian	1985

		Training Centre	
1-11		Waterloo Women's Conference : Who do you say that I am	1988

SERIES 4: PAPERS AND ADDRESSES. --1977-1987.

Series consists of papers and addresses written by Evans, including a curriculum vitae, 1977-1987.

Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date(s)
2012.046C	3-8	Curriculum Vitae (until 1980)	1980
	1-17	A phenomenological approach to the central concerns of feminist theology	1977
	1-18	Political exegesis and the enfranchisement of the "Angelic portion of humanity"	1978
	1-1	Feminist Perspective on Theological Education	1979
	1-15	The image of god and the abortion debate	1979
	1-16	Patriarchy and Capitalism	[1979?]
	1-2	Towards a Canadian Theology of Liberation	1980
	1-22	Woman as Other: A study of alienation in Rosemary Ruether, Mary Daly and Sheila Collins	1980
	1-19	The Bitter Christ: a study of the connection between Dorothee Soelle's Christology and five of her other major theological themes, with a view to clarifying the theological pre-suppositions of a political theology that turns to the left.	1980
	1-3	Male Consciousness - raising as Part of Supervisory Training (from Sexuality and Ministry Workshop - Montreal Institute for Ministry)	1982
	1-14	Speaking engagement at Emmanuel College: Impact of Feminism on Theology and the church	1981-1983
2012.046C	1-20	Lecture on Abortion given at Victoria University	1983
	1-21	"Yoke, my yoke is easy" B.C, U.C.W conference	1984
	1-9	"Behold, I am doing a new thing": Feminist Theology and the social gospel	1985-1986
	1-8	Speaking engagement at Victoria College class: Religion, Morality and Law	1986
	1-10	Sermon: Crisis and Vision	1987
	1-13	Towards an Understanding of the Canadian Christian Feminist Movement	[n.d.]

SERIES 5: CORRESPONDENCE. --1995.

Series consists of correspondence re position at General Council Offices, 1995.

Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date(s)
2013.056C	TR-1	Correspondence re dismissal from position with General Council offices	1995

SERIES 6: PHOTOGRAPHS. --1985.

Series consists of a photograph of "Dancing on the Edge" planning resource meeting, 1985.

See Archives Catalogue for item-level description of photograph.