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Biographical / Historical

The Wesley Foundation is a campus ministry sponsored by the United Methodist Church, operating on campuses of organizations not directly affiliated with the church. It was founded in 1913 by Bishop James C. Baker and named in honor of John Wesley, founder of the Methodist Church. The group conducts events such as group worship, social gatherings, community outreach initiatives, and charity drives.

The William & Mary branch was founded in the 1920s, originally as the United Methodist Campus Ministry, and began operating as the Wesley Foundation in 1964. The modern W&M branch of the Wesley Foundation describes itself as a body which acts to facilitate community activities with a focus on inclusivity and activism for marginalized communities. As of 2025, the W&M branch maintains a core mission statement which places and emphasis on providing "radical hospitality" for members and nonmembers "of all races, nationalities, sexual orientations, gender identities, faiths, and theological identities."

Scope and Contents

The collections is comprised of administrative files used by the W&M Wesley Foundation's leadership in the 2024-2025 academic year as well as newsletters and promotional materials spanning the early 2000s.

Keywords

Student Organizations

Student activities

Newsletters

Circulars (fliers)

Announcements

Christian life--United States

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Description of Subordinate Components

W&M Wesley Good Sexuality T-shirt

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Unit Date 2012

Textiles UA small collections textile oversize box 1

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Promotional T-Shirt for on-campus lectures by Keither Graber Miler. Cotton, purple. Text printed on front of shirt reads "Lets Talk About Good Sex(uality)" in white and gold, and on the back reads "8 PM, Feb. 12 Tidewater Room A, Sadler", "8 PM Feb. 13 Washington 201", "Sponsored by W&M Wesley" in white, and has white silhouettes of several peoples standing together. Shirts promoted the lecture "Good Sexuality/Sex Without Shame" by Dr. Keith Graber Miller, professor and chair of the Bible, Religion, and Philosophy, Department at Goshen (Ind.) College and author/lecturer on Mennonite sexuality, service, and politics. W&M Wesley Foundation sponsored Dr. Miller's lectures and wore these shirts as advertisement to the campus community. Adult men's Medium, approx 28in. (length) and 32in. (width).