A Finding Aid to the Arnold S. Stiebel Thesis Research Materials

Manuscript Collection No. 810

Collection Summary

Title Arnold S. Stiebel Thesis Research Materials

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Collection Number MS-810

Repository The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives

Creator Stiebel, Arnold S., 1944

Extent 1 linear foot (1 record carton)

Language of the Material English

Administrative Information

Biographical Sketch

Born in New Orleans, Louisiana in 1944, Arnold S. Stiebel is a Vietnam veteran and a 1982 ordinate of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. After receiving his bachelor's degree from Louisiana State University, he continued his education at Memphis State University, Pepperdine University, and the Buber Institute for Conservative Judaism in Jerusalem. |b His rabbinic thesis, the notes of which are contained in this collection, is entitled The Marketing of Jesus: an analysis of propaganda techniques utilized by Christian Missionaries in their attempt to proselytize the American Jew. His doctoral dissertation was titled: Nachamu, Nachamu Ami, Comfort Ye, Comfort Ye My People; Counseling the bereaved and distraught after a loss. |b Stiebel is a member of both the Central Conference of American Rabbis as well as the Rabbinical Assembly, and has served Jewish congregations in Houston, Texas, Mobile, Alabama, Reno, Nevada, Jacksonville Beach, Florida, and Granada Hills, California. He currently does family and palliative counseling, and is proprietor of Mediation Matters, a company that mediates family conflict and divorces. His publications include two prayer books, Am Segula (Shabbat morning) and L'cha Dodi (erev Shabbat), as well as Endthoughts: On Names and Hanukkah (1995) and When Death is Near (1996). He and his wife Judy have two children, Dara Stiebel and Cary (Chaim) Stiebel.

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Scope and Content

Collection of pamphlets, brochures, and proselytizing materials produced by various Christian groups designed to convert Jews to evangelical Christianity. Gathered in preparation for Stiebel's 1982 rabbinic thesis submitted to Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, The Marketing of Jesus: An Analysis of Propaganda Techniques Utilized by Christian Missionaries in Their Attempt to Proselytize the American Jew.

Arrangement This collection is arranged in one (1) series: A. General.

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Subjects

Christian converts from Judaism / Judaism -- Relations -- Christianity / Proselytizing

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1. Folder 1-24. Proseltyzing materials, circa 1978-1982