



## COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT POLICY 3/2024

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### **Mission**

The Moravian Archives collects and preserves records and historical materials of Moravians in North America and makes them available to the public. It is the official repository of the records of the Moravian Church in America, Northern Province. The Archives fulfills its mission through archival processing, research services, education, publications, and public programming.

### **Types of holdings**

The Moravian Archives collects archival collections, personal papers, manuscripts, books, paintings, architectural drawings, maps, photographs, selected objects, drawings, printed images, electronic data records.

### **Possible restrictions**

If the item or the work is in such a condition that the Moravian Archives will not be able to appropriately care for it, it may not be accepted. If a donor requires that an item or work be permanently displayed, it may not be accepted.

Framed items may be taken out of their frames.

Types	Collection scope
Archival collections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Northern Province: congregations, boards, and institutions, according to par. 605 of the Book of Order of the Northern Province</li><li>• Interprovincial agencies that have their seat within the Northern Province</li><li>• Personal papers: of members of the Moravian Church, especially members of one of the congregations of the Northern Province</li><li>• For archival records relating to other Provinces of the Unitas Fratrum: only by special agreement with the Board of that Province</li></ul>
Books	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All publications of the Moravian Church worldwide, in all languages</li><li>• Publications about the history and present of the Moravian Church worldwide</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Relevant publications about the context of the Moravian Church (such as German Pietism, local histories of areas with a strong Moravian presence, etc.)</li><li>• Publications about the local history of Bethlehem</li><li>• Publications by authors who are members of the Moravian Church, especially of one of the churches of the Northern Province</li></ul>
Paintings, drawings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• works of motifs related to the Moravian Church (portraits, views of Moravian sites)</li><li>• works by Moravian artists</li></ul>