

# FINDING AID FOR MacLean New Beacon Collection



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## ***Collection Description***

**Title:** MacLean New Beacon Collection

**ID:** MLTS.US.6001

**Creator:** MacLean Religious Education Collection Team

**Date Range:** 1930-1965

**Extent:** 8.5 linear feet (17 half boxes)

**Language(s):** Materials primarily in English

### **Scope and Content:**

The collection is comprised of the New Beacon Series in Religious Education published by Beacon Press and others for use in Unitarian, Universalist, and Unitarian Universalist church schools. The series included books for children and youth, teacher and parent guides, leaflets, and other resources. Subject matter included Biblical materials, information about Christian churches, birth and death, family life, developmental issues, nature, science, and worship. The primary editor and author of the series was Sophia Lyon Fahs. Dorothy Tilden Spoerl became curriculum editor in 1964. This material was collected by solicitation throughout the Unitarian Universalist Association and organized by the MacLean Religious Education Collection Team. It is considered to be a complete set of the materials.

### **Arrangement:**

The collection is arranged alphabetically by book title. Supplementary resources are filed according to book title.

### **History Note:**

From 1930 to 1954 the New Beacon Series was developed by the Department of Religious Education of the American Unitarian Association (AUA) in cooperation with the General Sunday School Association of the Universalist Church of America. In 1954 the two departments merged into the Council of Liberal Churches and continued with the development and publication of the New Beacon Series until 1960. With the consolidation of the AUA and the Universalist Church of America (UCA) in 1961, the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) continued with this work.

**Restrictions:** None

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## ***Inventory***

### **Box 1 - MLTS.US.6001.B1**

Box 1	Folder 1	Abraham: His Heritage & Ours	1957
Box 1	Folder 2	Always Growing	1957
Box 1	Folder 3	Always Growing Leaflets	Not Given
Box 1	Folder 4	Always Growing, Guide for Parents	Not Given
Box 1	Folder 5	Am I a Good Church School Parent?	Not Given
Box 1	Folder 6	Am I a Good Teacher?	Not Given
Box 1	Folder 7	Animal Babies	1941
Box 1	Folder 8	Animal Babies rev. 1959	1960
Box 1	Folder 9	Animal Babies, Leaflets	1959
Box 1	Folder 10	Animal Babies, Teacher's Guide	1941
Box 1	Folder 11	Any Size is the Right Size	Not Given
Box 1	Folder 12	Are We Failing Our Children?	1974
Box 1	Folder 13	Beacon Curriculum Series of the UUA	Not Given
Box 1	Folder 14	Bees	1964
Box 1	Folder 15	Beginnings of Earth & Sky: Stories Old & New	1953
Box 1	Folder 16	Beginnings of Earth and Sky: A Guide Book for Teachers and Parents	1938
Box 1	Folder 17	Beginnings of Earth and Sky--Leader's Guide for	1953
Box 1	Folder 18	Beginnings of Life & Death: Stories Old & New	1938
Box 1	Folder 19	Beginnings of Life and Death, A Guidebook for Teachers and Parents	1939
Box 1	Folder 20	Beginnings of Life and Death---Student's Work Book, The: A Companion to	1939 & 1955
Box 1	Folder 21	Beginnings of Mysticism in Children's Growth	1950
Box 1	Folder 22	Beginnings: Earth, Sky, Life, Death-Exploring Beginnings: A Guide to	1960
Box 1	Folder 23	Beginnings: Earth, Sky, Life, Death: A Guide for Parents of Children Studying	1966
Box 1	Folder 24	Beginnings: Earth, Sky, Life, Death: Stories, Ancient & Modern	1958
Box 1	Folder 25	Brand New Baby, A	1942
Box 1	Folder 26	Brand new Baby, A rev. 1955	1959
Box 1	Folder 27	Brand New Baby, Leaflets	1959

### **Box 2 - MLTS.US.6001.B2**

Box 2	Folder 1	Challenge of Fear	1962
Box 2	Folder 2	Child of the Sun: A Guidebook for Teachers	1940
Box 2	Folder 3	Child of the Sun: A Pharaoh of Egypt	1964
Box 2	Folder 4	Child of the Sun--Guide for Parents of Children Studying	1963
Box 2	Folder 5	Children Live What They Learn	1966
Box 2	Folder 6	Children sing: A Manual for Choir Leaders	Not Given
Box 2	Folder 7	Child's Expanding World: An Outline of Developmental Characteristics, The	Not Given
Box 2	Folder 8	Choices and Stories: Some Thoughts n Education and Liberal Religion	1974
Box 2	Folder 9	Church Across the Street, The	1961
Box 2	Folder 10	Church Across the Street, The rev. 1962	1962
Box 2	Folder 11	Church Across the Street--Guide for Parents of Young People Studying	1966
Box 2	Folder 12	Church Across the Street--Guide for Teachers	1946
Box 2	Folder 13	Consider the Children -How They Grow	1950
Box 2	Folder 14	Consider the Children -How They Grow, rev ed	1951
Box 2	Folder 15	Conversations with Children	1983
Box 2	Folder 16	Conversations With Children--Guide to the Use of	1964
Box 2	Folder 17	Critique of Values The Educational Mission of the Liberal Church	1968
Box 2	Folder 18	Developing Concepts of God With Children	1967
Box 2	Folder 19	Drama of Ancient Israel -Guide for Parents of Young People Studying the	1963 & 1966
Box 2	Folder 20	Drama of Ancient Israel, The	1960
Box 2	Folder 21	Drama of Ancient Israel, The-Guide for Teachers	1955
Box 2	Folder 22	Dynamic Religious Education	1961

### **Box 3 - MLTS.US.6001.B3**

Box 3	Folder 1	Educational Philosophy of the New Beacon Series in Religious Education, The	1957
Box 3	Folder 2	Endless Sky, The	1961
Box 3	Folder 3	Enjoy These Books With Children	1965
Box 3	Folder 4	Ethics and Moral Judgement In Children: A Pilot Investigation	1966
Box 3	Folder 5	Experiences with Living Things	1973
Box 3	Folder 6	Experiences With Living Things--Guide For Parents of Children Studying	1966
Box 3	Folder 7	Exploring Basic Issues With Young People	1980

Box 3	Folder 8	Faith of Our Children	Not Given
Box 3	Folder 9	Family Finds out, The	1966
Box 3	Folder 10	Family Finds Out--Exploring Nature and Life with Five and Six Year Olds: A Guide for Teachers and Parents Using The	1960
Box 3	Folder 11	Fear and Anxiety in Young Children	1961
Box 3	Folder 12	Fellowship School, The	1964
Box 3	Folder 13	First Book of Ethics, The	1965
Box 3	Folder 14	First Book of Ethics, The : A Teacher's Guide	1977
Box 3	Folder 15	Flowers-Carriers of Life	1961
Box 3	Folder 16	Flowers-Carriers of Life, The	Not Given
Box 3	Folder 17	Foundation of Their Search	1971
Box 3	Folder 18	Four Ways of Being Human	1961
Box 3	Folder 19	Freed For History	1964
Box 3	Folder 20	From Long Ago & Many Lands: Stories for Children Told Anew	1967
Box 3	Folder 21	From Long Ago and Many Lands--Guide for Parents of Children Studying	1962
Box 3	Folder 22	From Long Ago and Many Lands--Guide for Teachers	1962
Box 3	Folder 23	Gift of Life Series: Animal Babies, A Brand New Baby, Always Growing--Guide for Parents of Children Studying The	1964
Box 3	Folder 24	Gift of Life--A Guide for Teachers and Parents	1962
Box 3	Folder 25	Group Participation Methods	
Box 3	Folder 26	Growing Bigger	1951
Box 3	Folder 27	Hands	1961
Box 3	Folder 28	House for James	1965
Box 3	Folder 29	How Miracles Abound	1941
Box 3	Folder 30	How Miracles Abound, Leaflets	1945
Box 3	Folder 31	How Miracles Abound: A Guide for Teachers	1943

#### **Box 4 - MLTS.US.6001.B4**

Box 4	Folder 1	Igloos, Yurts, & Totem Poles: Life and Customs of 13 Peoples Around the Globe	1964
Box 4	Folder 2	It Matters What We Believe	
Box 4	Folder 3	Jesus the Carpenter's Son	1945
Box 4	Folder 4	Jesus the Carpenter's Son rev. 1946	1966
Box 4	Folder 5	Jesus The Carpenter's Son--Gaye Uganda	1960
Box 4	Folder 6	Jesus the Carpenter's Son--Guide for Parents of Young People Studying	1963

Box 4	Folder 7	Jesus the Carpenter's Son--Guide for Teachers	1950
Box 4	Folder 8	Joseph the Story of Twelve Brothers--A Guide for Teachers	1941
Box 4	Folder 9	Joseph: The Story of Twelve Brothers	1966
Box 4	Folder 10	Leading Children in Worship	1943
Box 4	Folder 11	Leafy Home of the Birds, The	1961
Box 4	Folder 12	Magnets	1961
Box 4	Folder 13	Martin & Judy for Parents and Teachers	1951
Box 4	Folder 14	Martin & Judy in Their Two Little Houses, In Sunshine and Rain Learning and Playing--Guide for Parents of Children Studying	1959
Box 4	Folder 15	Martin & Judy Songs	1955
Box 4	Folder 16	Martin & Judy Vol 1	1939
Box 4	Folder 17	Martin & Judy Vol 1 Leaflets	1944
Box 4	Folder 18	Martin & Judy Vol 2 Leaflets, Revised Edition	Not Given
Box 4	Folder 19	Martin & Judy Vol 2 rev. 1959	1967
Box 4	Folder 20	Martin & Judy Vol 3 rev. 1959	1962
Box 4	Folder 21	Martin & Judy Vol II	1940
Box 4	Folder 22	Martin & Judy: In Sunshine & Rain vol 2	1940
Box 4	Folder 23	Martin & Judy: In Their Two Little Houses Vol. 1, Rev. 1959	1966
Box 4	Folder 24	Martin & Judy: In Their Two Little Houses Vol.1 rev. 1944	1950
Box 4	Folder 25	Martin & Judy: Playing and Learning, vol 3	1953
Box 4	Folder 26	Martin & Judy--Suggestions for Activities of Kindergarten Groups	1944
Box 4	Folder 27	Martin & Judy--Suggestions for Activities of Nursery Groups for Teachers	1943
Box 4	Folder 28	Martin & Judy--Suggestions for Activities of Nursery Groups for Teachers	1947
Box 4	Folder 29	Martin and Judy---Growing With Nursery and Kindergarten Children: A Companion to Martin and Judy, Volumes I, II, III	1960
Box 4	Folder 30	Martin d Judy Vol 3 Leaflets	Not Given

#### **Box 5 - MLTS.US.6001.B5**

Box 5	Folder 1	Men of Prophetic Fire	1966
Box 5	Folder 2	Men of Prophetic Fire--A Guide for Teachers	1962
Box 5	Folder 3	Method Is the Message, The	1962
Box 5	Folder 4	Methods of Religious Education	1962
Box 5	Folder 5	Micro-Organisms	1964
Box 5	Folder 6	Migrating Birds, The	1964

Box 5	Folder 7	Miscellaneous Materials	1959
Box 5	Folder 8	Moses: Egyptian Prince, Nomad Sheikh, Lawgiver	1960
Box 5	Folder 9	Moses: Egyptian Prince, Nomad Sheikh, Lawgiver--Picture Cards	1960
Box 5	Folder 10	Moses--Guide for Parents of Children Studying	1963
Box 5	Folder 11	New Beacon Series Book Jackets	
Box 5	Folder 12	New Beacon Series in Religious Education Catalogs	1953-1964
Box 5	Folder 13	New Beacon Series--Supplement Book List: To The New Beacon Series in Religious Education	1960, 1962, & 1964
Box 5	Folder 14	New Beacon Series--What Is the New Beacon Series in Religious Education?	Not Given
Box 5	Folder 15	New England Shores	1961
Box 5	Folder 16	New Ministry to Children, A	
Box 5	Folder 17	New Teacher's Guide to Teaching	1963
Box 5	Folder 18	Nothing Ever Happens and How It Does: Leader's Guide	1940
Box 5	Folder 19	Nothing Ever happens: And How It Does	1940
Box 5	Folder 20	Old Story of Salvation, The	1957
Box 5	Folder 21	Old Tales for a New Day: Early Answers to Life's Eternal Questions	1980
Box 5	Folder 22	One God: The Ways We Worship Him	1954

#### **Box 6 - MLTS.US.6001.B6**

Box 6	Folder 1	Peace & War: Man Made	1962
Box 6	Folder 2	Peace and War: Man Made--Guide for Parents	1962
Box 6	Folder 3	People	1956
Box 6	Folder 4	Pied Piper and Our Children, The	Not Given
Box 6	Folder 5	Poems to Grow On	1957
Box 6	Folder 6	Pornography, Sex Education and the Church	1972
Box 6	Folder 7	Prejudice and Your Child	1955
Box 6	Folder 8	Problem of Teaching God and the Bible to Children	1963
Box 6	Folder 9	Questioning Child and Religion	1960
Box 6	Folder 10	Questions That Matter Most Asked By the World's Religions--Guide for Teachers Using	1954
Box 6	Folder 11	Questions That Matter Most: Asked by the World's Religions	1963
Box 6	Folder 12	Refugees From War: A Study Based on War's Unconquered Children Speak	1953
Box 6	Folder 13	Religion of Their Own, A	1952

Box 6	Folder 14	Religion of their Own, A	1962
Box 6	Folder 15	Religious Education for the Pre-Nursery Child	1965
Box 6	Folder 16	Religious Education for the Pre-School Child	Not Given
Box 6	Folder 17	Rocks That Captured History	1961
Box 6	Folder 18	Roll of Science in Religious Education	1965
Box 6	Folder 19	Science Series--Guide for Parents of Children The Science Series	1963
Box 6	Folder 20	Seedless Plants	1964
Box 6	Folder 21	Socrates: the Man Who Dared to Ask	1953
Box 6	Folder 22	Socrates--Know Thyself A Leader's Guide to the Study of	1954
Box 6	Folder 23	Speechless on Sunday	1960
Box 6	Folder 24	Strange Source of Dynamite, A	1963
Box 6	Folder 25	Strong Confrontation as an Educational Technique	1971
Box 6	Folder 26	Teaching Anthropology in Religious Education: A Guide to People, Four Ways of Being Human, and Igloos, Yurts, and Totem Poles	1959
Box 6	Folder 27	Teaching Our Heritage	1968
Box 6	Folder 28	Teaching Primary Children	1957
Box 6	Folder 29	Tensions Our Children Live With	1960
Box 6	Folder 30	Their Search for God: Ways of Worship In the Orient	1947
Box 6	Folder 31	These Live Tomorrow: 20 Unitarian Universalist Biographies	1964
Box 6	Folder 32	These Live Tomorrow: 20 Unitarian Universalist Biographies 2nd Edition	1987
Box 6	Folder 33	They Cast Long Shadows	1969

### **Box 7 - MLTS.US.6001.B7**

Box 7	Folder 1	Today's Children and Yesterday's Heritage	1961
Box 7	Folder 2	Toward Better Discussions	Not Given
Box 7	Folder 3	Trick of Perspective: An Essay on Unitrin Universalist Traditions	1971
Box 7	Folder 4	Tuckers: Growing to Know Themselves, The	1952
Box 7	Folder 5	Tuckers--Guide for Parents of Children Studying The Tuckers: Growing to Know Themselves	1963
Box 7	Folder 6	Unitarianism & Universalism: An Illustrated History	1962
Box 7	Folder 7	Unitarianism & Universalism: An Illustrated History--Parents' Guide	1963
Box 7	Folder 8	War's Unconquered Children	1953
Box 7	Folder 9	Water: Its Form & Motion	1961
Box 7	Folder 10	We Sing of Life: Songs For Children Young People Adults	1960



Box 7	Folder 11	Web Weavers, The	1964
Box 7	Folder 12	What Are You Doing To My Child?	Not Given
Box 7	Folder 13	What Children Ask About the Church	1960
Box 7	Folder 14	What Is Happening in Religious Education	1948
Box 7	Folder 15	What Is Real?	1964
Box 7	Folder 16	What Is Religious About Our Religious Education?	Not Given
Box 7	Folder 17	What Is Religious Education	1968
Box 7	Folder 18	What Is the Bible?	1963
Box 7	Folder 19	What Speaks to Our Children	1960
Box 7	Folder 20	When Bruce Came to Play	1967
Box 7	Folder 21	Who Do Men Say That I Am: A Study of Jesus	1965
Box 7	Folder 22	Who Do Men Say That I Am: A Study of Jesus--A Guide to the Study of Jesus	1966
Box 7	Folder 23	Wonderful Heart, The	1964
Box 7	Folder 24	Won't You Miss me?	1965
Box 7	Folder 25	Worship For the Junior High School Age	1961
Box 7	Folder 26	Worship For Young Children	1965
Box 7	Folder 27	Worshiping Together with Questioning Minds	1965
Box 7	Folder 28	Young People in the Liberal Church	1941