

# **Guide to the Papers of Samuel George Ziegler**

1896-1966



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## Samuel George Ziegler Collection

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The purpose of this finding aid is to help you understand the nature of this collection and to assist you in the retrieval of material from this collection. The following pages contain a brief biographical history of the person, or persons, who created or collected these papers, followed by a general description of the collection in the scope and content note. If more detailed information is warranted then series descriptions also appear. The container listing appears last and is the listing of material in each box, or container, of this collection. To request material you need to turn to the container listing section. It is essentially a listing of file folders, or artifact items, in the collection. Each folder, or item, has a call number associated with it. Each folder also lists the inclusive dates of the material in the folder. On the material request form list both the call number and the folder, or item, title. Use a different line for each folder, or item, requested. When your request sheet is complete, or full, bring it to the archivist and the material will be retrieved.

### Biographical Note

Reverend Samuel George Ziegler, (1884-1980), Evangelical United Brethren pastor and General Church officer, was born to Daniel and Polly Lou Ziegler in Hanover, Pennsylvania, on October 14, 1884. His parents raised him religiously as part of the United Brethren Church. From age 15 to 19, he worked in a shoe factory in Hanover. At age 19, he began high school at York Collegiate Institute and graduated in 1908. Ziegler earned his Associate's Degree in 1911 from Lebanon Valley College and Bachelor's Degree in 1914 from Bonebrake United Theological Seminary. Ordained in 1911 by the Central Pennsylvania Conference, Ziegler served pastorates in Duncannon, Pennsylvania and in Baltimore and Hagerstown, Maryland. The honorary Doctor of Divinity Degree was conferred upon him in 1922 from Lebanon Valley College in Lebanon, Ohio. He was elected to the office of General Secretary of the United Brethren Foreign Missionary Society by the United Brethren General Conference of 1921, and served the position of Associate Secretary of the Division of World Missions until his retirement in 1958. His interdenominational responsibilities included: member of the Board of Directors M.E.M., member on Committee on Cooperation in Latin America, member on Africa Committee, F.M.C., member on Committee World Literacy and Christian Literature, and member of Board for Christian Work in Santo Domingo.

Dr. Ziegler had three sons, one daughter, nine grandchildren, and twelve great grandchildren. At the time of his death he was a resident of the Otterbein Home, Lebanon, Ohio. He married the former Ethel Redding, in 1911. She also graduated from Bonebrake Theological Seminary as a deaconess, and died in 1974.

### Scope and Content Note

The Samuel George Ziegler collection contains largely materials on missionaries and overseas experiences in Sierra Leone, Puerto Rico, China, the Philippines, and Japan of the United Brethren Church from 1752 to 1966. Seeing as Reverend Ziegler was the Associate Secretary of the Division of World Missions from 1921 to 1958, there are two copies of unpublished works on the History of Overseas Missions of the United Brethren Church, including a final copy, as well annual reports and correspondence. Two maps are included in this collection, one of China and one of the Philippine Islands. Missionary personal accounts are comprised in the collection, in addition to photographs of thirty-seven missionaries abroad.

## Arrangement

Material has been arranged in the following manner. The papers are arranged by folder title.

## Related Material

Paul S. Mayer Papers.

Records of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ. Foreign Missionary Society.

Records of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ. The Otterbein Press.

Records of the Evangelical United Brethren Church. Board of Missions.

Records of the Evangelical United Brethren Church. Women's Society of World Service.

## Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding this collection.

## Use Access

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## Preferred Citation

When citing material from this collection please use the following format: Direct reference to the item or its file folder, Samuel George Ziegler Papers, United Methodist Church Archives - GCAH, Madison, New Jersey. Do not make use of the item's call number as that is not a stable descriptor.

## Index Terms

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Deaconesses  
Missionaries  
Missions  
Missions--History

### *Geographic Terms*

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