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R. GORDON NODWELL FONDS. –1956-1997. –15 cm of textual material.

R. Gordon Nodwell (1928-2017) was a United Church minister and scholar. He was born on a farm in Dufferin County Ontario in 1928. In his early career he was an elementary school teacher and an accountant before receiving the call to ministry in 1952. Between 1950 and 1956 he studied at Queens University where he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts and later a Master of Divinity. During his studies he served as a student minister at the following charges: Portsmouth UC, St. Matthew's United Church and Asbern/Grahamsale Manitoba. He was ordained by the Toronto Conference in 1956. Following his ordination he became as reserve Chaplain serving with the R.C.A.F. in France in the summers of 1957 and 1958. Upon his return he ministered at Mount Denis United Church from 1961 to 1968 and then Deer Park United Church from 1976-1992. From 1968 to 1976 he was a professor of pastoral theology and taught at Pine Hill Divinity Hall and the Atlantic School of Theology. Aside from his professorship and ministerial work he was involved in United Church governance including roles on the Committee on Christian Faith, Working Unit on Evangelism and Worship, Halifax Presbytery, Committee on Genetic and Ethics, and the Maritime Conference Interview Board. He was also involved with ecumenical societies such as the Canadian Association of Pastoral Education. He married Jessie Borthistle in 1952 and they had three children: David, Christina and Paul.

Fonds contains Rev. Nodwell's sermons, addresses, articles, lectures, papers and tv scripts 1956-1997.

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