

AAHGS Meeting Chat Resources

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Guest Speaker: Sharon Batiste Gillins

Harvesting Ancestors--Lessons from the Garden

Following are resources that were posted in the meeting chat during the April 25th presentation. These resources coincide with questions asked of the speaker.

Samford University in Homewood, AL has a church records collection. Here's the link to the digital portal - <https://digitalcollections.samford.edu/our-collections/alabama-religious-life-digital-collections/a...>

Slave Insurance Virginia - <https://encyclopediavirginia.org/entries/slave-insurance/>

Slavery Era Insurance Registry - <https://www.insurance.ca.gov/01-consumers/150-other-prog/10-seir/>

Jack Tarver Library at Mercer Univ in Macon has many Baptist records (all kinds of Baptists) They get these filmed as much as possible. DLG is hoping to microfilm many issues of one of the Black Baptist newspapers in the next go-round.

Georgia Slave Insurance Policies - <https://genealogytrails.com/geo/state/slaveinsurance.html>

Here's one of the WPA Guides for Georgia -

<https://vault.georgiaarchives.org/digital/collection/p17154coll12/id/135/rec/4> (Available through the Georgia Archives' Virtual Vault)

Here's a resource that provides some information about the WPA historical surveys and where the historical surveys are located by state. Its a starting point -

<https://babel.hathitrust.org/cgi/pt?id=mdp.39015021534733&seq=17>

The title of the resource is The WPA Historical Records Survey : A guide to the unpublished inventories, indexes, and transcripts / compiled by Loretta L. Hefner. Its available through HathiTrust. Here's the link again -

<https://babel.hathitrust.org/cgi/pt?id=mdp.39015021534733&seq=21>

Internet Archive _ <https://archive.org/>

Black Methodist church in SC before integration in 1968: -- Some "Central Jurisdiction" Journals online at Wofford College in SC.

<https://digitalcommons.wofford.edu/do/search/?q=central%20jurisdiction&start=0&context=16974966>