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INTERVIEWEE BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Name: Rev. Columbus F. Christian M/F: Male

Address: 1700 1st Ave. West Birmingham, AL 35208

Phone number(s): 205-787-9561

Approximate age or date of birth: Sept. 17, 1918 - 77 yrs. old.

Mothers name: Le Anna Christian

Father's name: Richard Christian

Places lived and when: Bessemer - til age 13 Ensley - rest of his school life + work life - both cities are of Birmingham. Resides now in Fairfield, Alabama. (also part of B'ham).

Education: Completed High School. A business course at Booker T. Washington Business School + Theological work at Birmingham Baptist College.

Religion: Baptist

Business, political and social memberships (past and present): Member of Clergy care in Birmingham, NAACP, Alumnus of Birmingham Baptist College.

Present occupation: Retired

Former occupations: Maintenance Control Clerk at Bham Postal Office.

Special Skills: No.

Major Accomplishments: 25 years at Warrior First Missionary Baptist Church - Pastor there.

National Events in which interviewee has participated: None.

Local Events in which interviewee has participated: Just General Local Participation

National born U.S. citizen? Yes/No Naturalized Citizen: Yes/No

Country from which he/she emigrated: _____

Documents, photographs, and artifacts which are in the possession of the interviewee: None

Individuals recommended by the interviewee who might be candidates for an oral history interview: None

Additional information: None

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The name of my interviewee is Reverend Columbus Christian. He lives in Birmingham, Alabama. He was born on September 17, 1918. He is seventy-seven years old and he is the son of Richard and LeAnna Christian. Rev. Christian lived in Bessemer, Alabama until he was thirteen years old; later he moved to Ensley, Alabama where he finished high school and worked for a great part of his life. He later married and moved to Fairfield, Alabama where he resides today.

Rev. Christian completed high school and attended and completed a business course at Booker T. Washington Business College. He did his Theological work at Birmingham Baptist College. Rev. Christian is a member of ClergyCare in Birmingham and he's a member of the NAACP organization, an alumni of Birmingham Industrial High School, and an alumni of Birmingham Baptist College.

Rev. Christian is a retired Pastor and a retired Maintenance Control Clerk at Birmingham Post Office. He was my Pastor at First Missionary Baptist Church for twenty-four years in Warrior, Alabama. He had just ^{taken} took over the church as Pastor a month before I was born, so he had been with the church for twenty-five years. Rev. Christian quotes, "My most major accomplishment was my service as Pastor for twenty-five years at First Missionary Baptist Church of Warrior, Alabama.