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Sanctuary Movement --United States
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Church work with refugees --United States
Christianity and justice --United States
Vietnamese Conflict, 1961-1975 --Moral and ethical aspects
Vietnamese Conflict, 1961-1975 --Religious aspects
Vietnamese Conflict, 1961-1975 --Desertions --United States

Names as Subjects

Schultz, Gustav H., 1935-

Biographical Description

Gustav H. Schultz was born 1935 in Foley, Alabama, receiving his education at Concordia Theological Seminary and Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago. He served pastorates in Georgia and Illinois before becoming pastor of the University Lutheran Chapel, Berkeley, California in 1969. This period saw a growing movement against participation in the Vietnam Conflict as an immoral, illegal, and undeclared war, and the increasing identity of the church with the moral and ethical issues of choice within the individual conscience. Responding to this, the University Lutheran Chapel, under Schultz's leadership, with the support of other churches in the area and the city of Berkeley, declared a formal resolution of sanctuary. Sanctuary offered "the availability of shelter and sustenance to military personnel who are conscientiously unable to continue their participation in the armed forces or in combat duties." (Resolution, Nov. 7, 1971: See, Box 1 ff 9)

A similar movement for sanctuary emerged a decade later due to the civil and economic instability in Central America, particularly El Salvador, exacerbated in part by historic and current U.S. policies in the area. In the early 1980's there was a large displacement of peoples from civil war, military aggression and terror, and subsequent personal and economic hardship. Refugees began to travel north to camps, and further through Mexico to the United States. The U.S., due to its policies in Central America and concerning asylum, did not recognize Central Americans, or El Salvadorans, as qualifying for refugee status. Those caught were deported and returned to their countries. Becoming aware of the complexities of the situation, churches began to respond to the needs of the refugees. Again, the idea and use of the concept of sanctuary became the impetus for a movement among churches in the United States.

While work was being done and the movement taking form in the Tucson area, Gus Schultz had helped form the East Bay Sanctuary Covenant from among the Sather Gate Churches in Berkeley. March 24, 1982 was the second anniversary of the assassination of Archbishop Oscar Romero, a key figure in El Salvador murdered by the military as he was saying mass. That day, reminded "of our obligation to our religious heritage, to each other, and to you", formal sanctuary was declared by the University Lutheran Chapel giving "support, protection and advocacy for undocumented Central American refugees who were fleeing for their lives." (Reaffirmation, March 24, 1988: See, Box 1 ff 9)

Schultz worked in many capacities within the Sanctuary Movement, making trips to Central America, assisting with sanctuary for refugees in the Bay Area, and helping to found, or being a member of, several sanctuary-related organizations including the National Sanctuary Defense Fund, SHARE, Salvadoran Humanitarian Aid, Research and Education, and others.

The Sanctuary Movement included those who sought to offer humanitarian aid seeing this as a part of one's religious sensibilities. The Movement also included those who perceived this as a political opportunity to expose and work against U.S. policies in Central America, a position also informed by religious sensibilities. No matter the emphases of the Movement, the U.S. government saw it as subversive and illegal. The government carried out surveillance of involved persons, churches, and organizations resulting in indictments, trials, and convictions in 1985-86.

Scope and Content

The majority of the collection concerns the sanctuary movement for Central American refugees. Sanctuary for military personnel is a small, though significant, part of the collection. This collection was obtained from the donor's office. Material was received in 3-ring binders, file folders, and loose. See container listing for arrangement notations.

God and Caesar at the Rio Grande: Sanctuary and the Politics of Religion, Hilary Cunningham (Univ. of Minnesota Press: Minneapolis, 1995). BV4466.C86 1995

Sanctuary: A Story of American Conscience and the Law in Collision, Ann Crittenden (Weidenfeld & Nicolson: NY, 1988). HV645.C75 1988

Women in the Sanctuary Movement, Robin Lorentzen (Temple Univ. Press: Philadelphia, 1991). BV4466.L67 1991

Military Personnel, 1971-72, 1988, 1990

Location: 2/G/3

Box Box 1 ,
Folder ff 1-10

Material from 3-ring binders (arranged as taken from binders) on issues for soldiers and sailors seeking sanctuary to avoid active duty during the Vietnam War. Includes: correspondence, information papers, newsclippings, flyers. The 1988 material pertains to troops sent to Central America. The 1990 material pertains to the Gulf War.

El Salvador, 1981-82

Location: 2/G/3

Box Box 1 ,
Folder ff 11-28

Material from 3-ring binders (arranged as taken from binders) on sanctuary issues involving refugees from El Salvador and Central America. Includes correspondence, information papers, flyers, reports, press releases, news clippings, conferences, lawsuits, tape transcripts, grant proposals, meeting notes, worship services.

Central America, 1983-88

Location: 2/G/3

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General

Honduras, 1983-84, 1987

Location: 2/G/3

Box Box 1 ,
Folder ff 35-37

Materials on refugee camps.

Nicaragua, 1984

Location: 2/G/3

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Folder ff 38-40

General

Sanctuary Movement

Location: 2/G/3-2/G/4

Arrangement

Arranged alphabetically by file folder title. Materials taken from file folders and loose papers, arranged here by processor under this subject heading.

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Break-ins to sanctuary offices, 1986-87

Campus Ministry, 1984

Cities, Sanctuary Resolutions, 1984-85

Cities of Refuge, 1985-86

Jim Corbett, "The Covenant as Sanctuary", 1985

Correspondence, 1983-88

Criminal Investigation Report, 10/2/84

General Information and Correspondence, 1983-88

Grants proposals, 1983

Grant: Lutheran Council, Dept. Immigration and Refugee Services to EBSC, 1983-84

Information packets, 1982

Lawsuit comments, 1984

Letelier-Moffitt Memorial Human Rights Award, 9/84

Letters from churches, 1984-85

Lutheran response, 1984-85

Mailing addresses, 1985

Media coverage, 1985-86

Newsclippings compiled by Data Center, 1984-85

Folder ff 24 **National Sanctuary Communications Council, 1985**
Folder ff 25 **No. Calif. Sanctuary Churches, 1983-85**
Folder ff 26 **Reaction from the Right, 1985**
Folder ff 27 **Statements/Press Releases, 1983-85**
Folder ff 28 **Schultz statements, 1984**
Folder ff 29 **Tucson meeting, June 1985**
Folder ff 30 **Washington trip, 1984**
Folder ff 31 **Phil Wheaton, "Emphases within the Sanctuary Movement", ca. 1985**

Court Cases

Location: 2/G/4

Box Box 2 , **Tucson trials, 1985**
Folder ff 32
Folder ff 33 **U.S.A. vs. Maria Aguilar, July 1986**
Folder ff 34 **1984, 1989**
Folder ff 35 **AELC, Pacific Synod: Preparation to merge to Evangelical Lutheran Churches of America, 1985-86**

Groups

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Box Box 2 , **ACLU, 1983, 1985**
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Center for Constitutional Rights, 1984-85
Center for Immigrants Rights, "The Legal Rights of the Undocumented Immigrant," n.d.
Folder ff 39 **Chicago Religious Task Force on Central America, 1984**
Folder ff 40 **Christian Urgent Action Network for El Salvador, 1985**
Folder ff 41-46 **East Bay Sanctuary Covenant, 1983-85**
Folder ff 47 **Faculty for Human Rights in Central America, 1984**
Folder ff 48 **Federation of American Immigration Reform, Roger Conner, n.d.**
Folder ff 49 **Interreligious Foundation for Community Organization, n.d.**
Folder ff 50 **Jewish Sanctuary Covenant, n.d.**
Folder ff 51-52 **National Sanctuary Defense Fund, 1984-85**
Box Box 3 , **National Sanctuary Defense Fund (con't.), 1981-87**
Folder ff 1-8
Folder ff 9 **Rio Grand Defense Committee, 1985-86**
Folder ff 10-11 **Salvadoran Humanitarian Aid, Research and Education, 1983-87**
Folder ff 12 **Tucson Ecumenical Council Task Force for Central America, 1984-85**

Newsletters

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Arranged chronologically.

Box Box 3 , **One or two issues of various newsletters on sanctuary issues.**
Folder ff 13-16

Monographs

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Box Box 3 , **Central American Refugee Defense Network, Report, Feb. 1983**
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Folder ff 18 **Report on Central American Information Week, Indiana, Nov.-Dec. 1983**

Folder ff 19	Seeking Safe Haven: Congregational Guide to Helping Central American Refugees in the United States, ca. 1983
Folder ff 20	La Guerra en Centro America Guia a la Escalada Militar de los Estados Unidos, March 1983
Folder ff 21	Basta: Sanctuary Organizer's Nuts and Bolts Supplement, ca. 1983
Folder ff 22	Central America: Report to Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, June 1984
Folder ff 23	Witness to Political Violence in El Salvador: Testimonies of Refugees, June 1984
Folder ff 24	Peacemaking II: U.S. Religious Statements on Central America, July 1984
Folder ff 25	ACLU: The Fates of Salvadorans Expelled from the U.S., Sept. 1984
Folder ff 26	Indian Guatemala: Path to Liberation, 1984
Folder ff 27	Testimony: The Massacres of Cabanas and Chalatenango, El Salvador, 1984-85
Folder ff 28	U.S. Aid to El Salvador: An Evaluation of the Past, Proposal for the Future, Feb. 1985
Folder ff 29	Campus Sanctuary, UC Riverside, April 1985
Folder ff 30	Central America, Report II to the Bishop of the Episcopal Church, Sept. 1985
Folder ff 31	Art Auction for the Arizona Sanctuary Defense Fund, Oct. 1985
Folder ff 32	Informe: Sobre la Situacion de los Derechos Humanos en Nicaragua, 1986
Folder ff 33	Despite a Generous Spirit: Denying Asylum in the U.S., Dec. 1986
Folder ff 34	Sanctuary: A Question for the Church, 1986
Folder ff 35	Untitled, 1987; re: Mesa Grande Camp
Folder ff 36	In the Shadow of Liberty: Central American Refugees in the U.S., Sept. 1988
Folder ff 37	El Salvador Chronology, August 1989
Folder ff 38	1989 Working Documents and Report, 1st National Conf., Committee for U.S. Action on Asylum Concerns
Folder ff 39	3 undated, in Spanish
	Newsclippings and Articles
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Box Box 3 , Folder ff 40-45	1982-90
	Newspapers
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Folio Folio 1	One or two issues of various oversize newspapers 2/G/4 on sanctuary issues; 1983-85.