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Administrative Information

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Paul W. Gaebelein Jr. Collection

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Creators:
Gaebelein, Paul W. Jr.

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Biography

Born May 7, 1919, Paul W. Gaebelein (1919-1997) was the grandson of well-known Hebrew scholar and dispensationalist Arno C. Gaebelein and his wife Emma. His father Paul W. Gaebelein was born in 1887 and had two brothers: Frank E. Gaebelein, headmaster of Stony Brook Christian High School and Arno Wesley Gaebelein.

Paul Gaebelein Jr. grew up in Pasadena at Lake Avenue Congregational Church. He earned his B.A. in Economics at Pomona College, 1941, and then served in the Military until 1946. From 1947 until 1956 he was a public accountant. He gave lectures on the subject of accounting at Claremont Graduate School while he worked on his Ph.D. there in economics, completed in 1968. His dissertation is entitled “Devaluation under full employment and inflation: the case of Israel”.

In 1976 he earned another Ph.D. this time at UCLA, in Ancient Near Eastern Civilization. The title of this dissertation is “Graphemic Analysis of Old Babylonian Letters from Mari.” From 1987 until 1991 he taught Old Testament and Akkadian at Fuller Theological Seminary.

His publications include: "Memoir from the Field: Choga Mish VI Recalled," The Oriental Institute News and Notes 152 (1997) 11; and “Psalm 34 and other biblical acrostics: evidence from the Aleppo codex,” Maarav (5-6 Spring 1990), 127-143. Robert Mullins of the Department of Near Eastern Studies of the University of California, Los Angeles, edited a Festchrift in Honor of Paul W. Gaebelein, Jr. on the Occasion of his Seventieth Birthday entitled Human Origins: An Archaeological and Theological Perspective.

Scope and Content

The material in this collection is restricted to his later years at Fuller Theological Seminary, though some of the manuscripts are from earlier on in his career.

Within the Paul W. Gaebelein Jr. Collection are collected subject files, study material, research and written material. There are photos, correspondence and personal items. Most importantly, this collection includes his research as well as artifacts collected by the scholar through his life.
**Arrangement**

This collection is organized into 30 boxes consisting of 8 series as follows:

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