

# Records of the Helping Hand Mission

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## Descriptive Summary

<b>Provenance:</b>	Gift of Geoffrey Lorenzo
<b>Title:</b>	Records of the Helping Hand Mission
<b>Dates:</b>	1898-99
<b>Abstract:</b>	Notebooks and records kept by J.J. Hoffman regarding the Helping Hand Mission
<b>Extent:</b>	4 folders
<b>Accession:</b>	07553.2.1-4

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## Biographical / Historical Note

J. J. Hoffman was an itinerant Lutheran preacher who ministered to Finnish, eastern European, German, Dutch, etc., communities in small Louisiana towns such as Bowie, Lutcher, Slidell, Chauvin, and Coteau.

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## Scope and Content

Notebooks kept by J.J Hoffman regarding the Helping Hand Mission. All notebooks are written in an unfamiliar language – perhaps Finnish – with various entries in English, French, Flemish, and German.

## Subjects

J.J. Hoffman  
Helping Hand Mission  
Lutheran ministries

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## Access of Use Restrictions

## **Access**

Collection is **open** for research

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## **Related or Separated Materials**

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## **Administrative Information**

### **Preferred Citation**

Records of the Helping Hand Mission, Louisiana State Museum Historical Center

### **Acquisition Information**

This collection was a gift from Geoffrey Lorenzo on April 20, 1920.

### **Notes**

These records are predominantly in a language that appears to be Flemish, and also include entries in English, French, and German.

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## **Contents List**

**Folder 1:** Ledger, Helping Hand Mission, Rev. J.J. Hoffman. February 1, 1898 – May 14, 1899.

**Folder 2:** Notebook of J.J. Hoffman (prayers). February 4, 1898 – May 1, 1889

**Folder 3:** Note pages with alphabetical tabs. July 1, 1898.

**Folder 4:** “Saarnaaja”, JJH, No. 7. June 9, 1899 – December 11, 1899.