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Description matérielle Physical description	0.38m of textual records. – 28 photographs.
<b>Zone de la description archivistique / Archival description area</b>	
Nom du producteur Name of creator	<p>John Douglas Main, OSB (1926-1982)</p> <p><b><u>Biographical notes:</u></b></p> <p><b>John Douglas Main</b> OSB (21 January 1926 – 30 December 1982) was a Roman Catholic priest and Benedictine monk who presented a way of Christian meditation which used a prayer-phrase or mantra.</p> <p>He recommended using the prayer-phrase <i>Maranatha</i>, which is Aramaic for "Come, Lord", as in I Corinthians 16:22 and Revelation 22:20.</p> <p>In 1975, he began Christian meditation groups which met at Ealing Abbey, his monastery in West London, England and, later, in Montreal, Quebec, Canada. These were the origins of the ecumenical network of Christian meditation groups which have become the World Community for Christian Meditation (WCCM).</p>

Portée et contenu Scope and content	<p>The collection is composed of books written by or on John Main. The collection is also composed of his collected talks on CD's as well as two photo albums on the life of John Main.</p> <p><u>The documents are classified in five series:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Published books</li> <li>2. Collected talks on CD</li> <li>3. Biography and photos</li> <li>4. Writings of John Main</li> <li>5. Gathered info about John Main and his work</li> </ol>
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