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## *President's Message*

What an obsessive bunch of folks we are! I was particularly struck by this at the Durham Bulls baseball game one evening during the recent Annual Conference. The skies had cleared, and the all-American game was underway. We were chowing down on hot dogs, pretzels, and peanuts, and quaffing our beverages of choice, and talking about what?—our libraries, our staff situations, our renovation and building projects, our work. OK, some of you were just having fun. But I know I heard these conversations all around me. At dinner tables, over coffee, on the buses—we couldn't stop talking about our libraries and our vocations.

I do have a life outside of work—and most of my Boston friends are not connected to the seminary or to libraries. They exhibit extraordinary forbearance when I wax eloquent on such fascinating topics as compact storage, the virtues and vices of microforms, digitizing standards, and the peculiarities of embedding URLs in a MARC record. But I can see their eyes glaze over after a few moments. As kind as they are, most of the people around me just don't get excited about the things that I know or want to know. And to complicate the matter, most folks don't have a clue what a theological school does and why I choose to be associated with one. (I think I still have somewhere the envelope that came addressed to "Librarian, Andover Newton Technological Cemetery." I will save my comments on that for another day.)

I suspect that what is true about me is true also about many of you. The ATLA Annual Conference is one of the high points of my year. Besides getting to sleep in air-conditioned comfort (usually) and not having to cook or wash dishes for a few days, I get to catch up with old friends and make some new ones. I can ask a lot of questions, sit in on some stimulating presentations, and even do some library business away from the confines of my office. I get to hear about issues that matter to me.

I'm sure you have your favorites, but here are some of my personal highlights from the past conference. Richard Heitzenrater's talk on Wesley's Christian Library gave me goosebumps. OK, so there was a cold draft in the auditorium—but I *was* fascinated by Heitzenrater's ability to animate Wesley's scholarly process. I was awed by Anne Womack's

beautiful presentation on "Medieval Cathedrals of the Ile de France and Burgundy." I picked up some great tips in a roundtable headed by Cait Kokolus on how to communicate with administrators. I loved the day at Duke—the pure notes of the choir echoing through the chapel; the great breaks; and the warm and gracious hospitality of Roger Loyd, Roberta Schaafsma, Andy Keck and the other Duke staff. I enjoyed meeting some of our new members—the lifeblood of our Association's future—and seeing Donn Michael and Joyce Farris and Gene McLeod and some of our other retired colleagues who are part of our noble heritage. And I relished talking to so many of you—hearing about taking on new positions, building new buildings or renovating old ones, digitizing, automating, teaching, training, overcoming tremendous personal obstacles, and moving ahead. You are an inspiration to me.

We have some great things to look forward to in the Association. We will see an expanded *ATLAS Project*, an eagerly awaited online periodicals exchange service, and new opportunities for specialized training. So let's stay a little obsessive about our libraries and our vocation. Let's continue to encourage each other and listen and learn from each other. It energizes us and animates our times together and it makes me thankful once again for my calling.

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## News of ATLA Members & Member Libraries

### Linda Corman Receives OCUFA Award


The Ontario Confederation of University Faculty Associations (OCUFA) has awarded **Linda Corman**, College Librarian at Trinity College, University of Toronto, the 2000 OCUFA Academic Librarianship Award. According to OCUFA President Dr. Henry Jacek, "The OCUFA Academic Librarianship Award was established in 1990, and honors the work of an academic librarian in his or her area of expertise." He also says, "... the recipient of the academic librarianship award is one who has made a significant contribution to scholarly achievement in the academic community." Visit the OCUFA web site (<http://www.ocufa.on.ca/>) to see a full press release. 



### Beldan in Belfast

**A. Chris Beldan** (Assistant Librarian for Reference and Systems at Lancaster Theological Seminary) and his wife, Anne McGillivray, both librarians, spent the last week of May at Belfast's Columbanus Community of Reconciliation (CCR). CCR's library of about 10,000 volumes had not been maintained in the last few years but now, as part of an all-round refurbishing project, has been given attractive new quarters, a small automation grant, and some staff time to maintain it. Ann Carr, Chris' former immigration lawyer in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, having retired to Northern Ireland where she affiliated with CCR, had sought his advice on library automation suitable to the library's needs. Offering advice grew into involvement and during the Beldans' week in Belfast they were to install the selected automation on CCR's new computer system, provide Ann with a week-long course in library science, and finalize classification and subject heading systems selection. In conversation with those most concerned about the library, it seemed best to retain CCR's in-house classification system. The schedules had been lost, so with the assistance of the shelf list and Father Michael Hurley, who had been involved with the founding of the library, the schedules were recompiled. By the close of the week many boxes of


books were shelved in their new room, and Ann had a good feel for her new responsibilities and was enthusiastically capturing cataloguing records online, downloading them to ResourceMate, a Canadian small-library software. There are many more months of work ahead and the library is but one of Ann's responsibilities.

Having had a part in the beginning of this project, Chris would like to recommend to other librarians who care about the mission of this Community and its library to consider a busman's holiday assisting with the recataloging of the collection. Room and board are offered. It is necessary to arrange in advance with Ann Carr, so that a week or more of one's assisting fits in with other activities at the Community. For more information on CCR or the nature of the task, e-mail Ann at [annoo@ireland.com](mailto:annoo@ireland.com), or Chris at [cbeldan@lts.org](mailto:cbeldan@lts.org). 



### David Chen Retires


When **David (Woei Ren) Chen** came to work at the **Pitts Theology Library** in 1971, he brought with him a BTh from Taiwan Theological College, a BD from Yale Divinity School, and an MLS degree from the University of Pittsburgh. At the end of August, he will retire from his post as head of the Cataloging Department at Pitts, having served the library faithfully for thirty years and cataloged between fifty and sixty thousand items. He cataloged materials in Chinese, Japanese, and Korean—as well as German, French, Latin, and other European languages—and developed a knowledge of the library's holdings that was without equal. He has been a member of ATLA since 1972, serving on the Cataloging Committee in 1976–1978 and participating in the review of the draft of *AACR II*, and for many years has been a leader in the Taiwanese Presbyterian Church in Atlanta. David has exemplified many of the virtues that are prized by theological librarians, and so it is with much respect and affection that his colleagues at Pitts see him leave. In his retirement, David plans to work with the library of the Yu-Shan Theological College and Seminary Li-

yu-than, Hua-Lien, Taiwan (affiliated with the Taiwan Presbyterian Church). 

*M. Patrick Graham*  
*Pitts Theology Library*




#### ATLA Bibliographic Award to Gaetz and Stewart

The Publications Interest Group (now replaced by the Publications Committee) has granted the 2001 ATLA Bibliographic Award to **Ivan Gaetz**, Dean of Libraries at **Regis University**, and **David Stewart**, Electronic Services Librarian at the **Henry Luce III Library at Princeton Theological Seminary**. The \$1,200 award will go toward the completion of their proposed project, "A Complete Revision of Theological Libraries and Librarianship: A Bibliography." 




#### Duane Harbin Has New Role

**Duane Harbin**, former Associate Librarian at **Bridwell Library, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University**, has a new role as Assistant Dean for Instructional Technology and Institutional Research at Perkins. Mr. Harbin will coordinate computing, oversee audio/visual services, and administer the use of advanced technology for teaching and research at Perkins. He will continue to support automation and technology initiatives for Bridwell Library and work closely with the university's Information Technology Services, the Center for Media and Instruction Technology, and other campus technology initiatives. Prior to joining the staff of Bridwell Library in 1995, Mr. Harbin was on the staff of the **Yale Divinity School Library** for more than a decade. He holds an M.Div. from Yale and an M.L.S. from Southern Connecticut State University. 



#### Melody McMahon Hired as Full-Time Faculty

**Melody Layton McMahon** has been hired as a full-time member of the library faculty, tenure track, at the Grasselli Library and Breen Learning Center of John Carroll University. Mrs. McMahon will serve as Cataloger at the level of Assistant Librarian. She has previously served as Director of the Library at the Cleveland Institute of Music and as Assistant Librarian at the Julliard School. 



#### Continuing Ed Event at GTU

On June 1, 2001, a Continuing Education event, Jewish Resources for Reference, was held at the **Graduate Theological Union** and supported through a Continuing Education Grant from ATLA.

Sixteen intrepid librarians spent the day with Rabbi Yoel H. Kahn, PhD., unlocking the mysteries of Jewish resources for reference. With a smile, Rabbi Kahn said there are three main answers for every Judaica reference question. When you need to look something up, the answer is in the *Encyclopedia Judaica*. When you need to find something from the Hebrew Bible, the answer is, it is in the book of Psalms. Finally, the answer to the question why something is the way it is—Tradition! With this introduction, Rabbi Kahn spent the rest of the day explaining the Hebrew Bible, called the Tanakh, helping us understand Rabbinic Judaism, and, most importantly, decoding the central texts in Jewish studies and worship. He ended the day with a look at electronic resources like the *Encyclopedia Judaica on CD-ROM* and Internet sites of interest.

Workshop attendees came away with a better understanding of many things. Rabbi Kahn decoded the mysteries the *Mishnah*, the *Talmud*, Midrash, and Codes. He explained who Rashi was and the importance of commentaries in Jewish studies. Rabbi Kahn covered the differences in the versions of prayer books and which publishers represent contemporary movements in Judaism. Of great importance to those gathered were the many references to which texts have been translated into English and which are the most reliable translations. This very hands-on workshop gave attendees the opportunity to pass the

books around so that everyone could see what was being talked about. After the workshop was over, Jan Carter of UC–Berkeley remarked, “It was a truly worthwhile experience!” This sentiment was echoed by several others as well.

The workshop was co-sponsored by the Graduate Theological Union and **Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary** with a generous continuing education grant from ATLA to cover expenses. Also in attendance were librarians from Stanford University, the University of California–Berkeley, Cal State University–Hayward and Santa Rosa Junior College. Rabbi Kahn was Visiting Assistant Professor at the Graduate Theological Union and is currently scholar-in-residence at Congregation Sherith Israel in San Francisco. 📖



#### Workshop Sponsored by the St. Louis Theological Consortium Libraries

On May 3, 2001, a workshop titled “Resources Supporting Distance Education” was held in the new **J. Oliver Buswell Library of Covenant Seminary** in St. Louis County. This workshop was sponsored by the St. Louis Theological Consortium Libraries with funding from a grant received from the American Theological Library Association.

The idea for the workshop developed from conversations among the members of the St. Louis Theological Consortium about distance education and an interest in learning more about the products that were available to support distance education. We had all heard about Blackboard, WebCT, and Docutek but wanted to learn more about how they could apply to the programs in our respective institutions. We wanted to hear more about how another library used these programs. To provide background to those not very familiar with these technologies, an overview and a history of the technologies began the program.

The workshop featured representatives of two institutions in Missouri that were using the different technologies. Michelle Wobbe, the Director of Technology at **Eden Theological Seminary** discussed Blackboard, smart classroom technologies, and how Eden had integrated these technologies into its

courses. Set-up and usage were discussed. Then Stephen Stoan spoke about WebCT and about how Docutek’s E-Reserves is being used at Drury College in Springfield, Missouri. He discussed how he implemented it and how it interfaces with products such as Blackboard and WebCT. E-Reserves is an electronic system that provides materials for the students, faculty and staff at Drury College wherever they are. Students can view, download, or print assigned course readings, problem sets/solutions, practice exams, and other materials.

Librarians and computer staff in attendance had many questions answered concerning technology implementation, copyright and other issues. A discussion followed about the options presented. The workshop was well received by all and provided those who attended with basic knowledge about these technological packages and how they could be used at the respective institutions. 📖



#### ATLA Manitoba Regional Group (MACL) Workshop on May 18, 2001

With assistance from ATLA, the ATLA Manitoba Regional Group, currently still known under the acronym of MACL, held a half-day workshop at the University of Winnipeg on issues pertaining to web site design. Eight people participated from four different institutions: the Canadian Mennonite University, **Providence College and Seminary**, the University of Winnipeg, and William and Catherine Booth Bible College. The workshop was facilitated by Ian Lark, who is in charge of the web site of the University of Winnipeg and who has given many presentations on web site design.

There were discussions concerning the short-term and long-term goals for the site, the intended audience (whether the site is directed primarily at librarians or also at Theology and Bible college students), issues surrounding accessibility to users with low-speed modems, technical questions (whether to include .pdf files), and overall site functionality. In the process of discussing this web site we were able to identify areas in which the participating institutions could cooperate more extensively.

We now have a coordinator for the discussions



relating to the site, a listserv will be set up to facilitate communication among MACL members, and plans are now under way to develop a modest initial MACL web site.

MACL would like to thank ATLA very sincerely for making funds available to offset the cost of this workshop. 📖



### MTLA Holds Workshop on “Serving the Religion Information Needs of the Public”

On March 28, 2001, the Minnesota Theological Library Association (MTLA) in cooperation with the Metropolitan Library Service Agency (MELSA) hosted a workshop for public librarians in the Minneapolis–St. Paul area on the theme of serving the religion information needs of the public. The workshop was held on the campus of **Luther Seminary** with thirty-five librarians in attendance.

The Professional Development Committee of ATLA funded the workshop through its program of awarding grants to regional theological library consortia for continuing education events. Inspiration (and the title) for the workshop originated with Chicago Public Library Commissioner Mary Dempsey’s plenary address at the 1999 ATLA Annual Conference. The goals of the workshop were to initiate a conversation with public librarians about what kinds of needs for information on religious topics they were seeing among the general public and to raise the visibility of the seminary libraries in the metropolitan area as resources to help public libraries meet those needs.

The workshop was facilitated by Patricia Kovel-Jarboe, a former librarian turned university professor, who remains well known and respected in the Twin Cities library community. Following presentations and demonstrations of key resources by each of the Twin Cities MTLA libraries, a lively discussion took place concerning some of the similarities and differences between seminary and public libraries in meeting the information needs of their respective primary users. Dr. Kovel-Jarboe directed the conversation to include possible next steps in continuing the dialogue. An MTLA presentation at the fall 2002 meeting of the Minnesota Library Association seemed the most desired follow-up.

The event was well received. The returned evaluation forms generally gave the workshop good to excellent ratings as to its purpose and value. Many responses seemed to express appreciation for the opportunity to learn about the depth of religion resources available at MTLA libraries. One attendee commented, “Thanks for validating religion as a real interest/need for our patrons.” 📖



### Management Issues Seminar: The Library Budget

The first continuing education seminar offered by the Professional Development Committee, titled “Management Issues Seminar: The Library Budget,” was held June 19<sup>th</sup> in Durham, NC. Thirty people attended the full-day event that was moderated by **Ms. Mary Martin (St. Paul Seminary, University of St. Thomas)**. The morning included two concurrent sessions: “Budgeting and Financial Basics” taught by **Dr. L. Charles Willard** (The Association of Theological Schools) and “Budgeting for Change” taught by Dr. Julie Todaro (Austin Community College). The afternoon session brought all the participants together for a session led by Dr. Todaro titled “Communicating Your Budget to Administrators.” The sessions included lecture, discussion and small group exercises. The Professional Development Committee was encouraged by the positive response to this first continuing education seminar and hopes to offer another one-day event next year. A summary may be found on the ATLA web site. You can go to the Management Issues Seminar page from the Professional Development page ([http://www.atla.com/member/professional\\_development.html](http://www.atla.com/member/professional_development.html)). 📖

## Announcements

### Board of Directors Meets in Durham

*June 20, 2001*

The ATLA Board met at the Durham Marriott on Wednesday morning, June 20, 2001. The slate of officers prepared by the Nominating Committee (Steve Crocco, Joe Coalter, and Mary Martin) was approved. The officers for 2001–2002 are Sharon Taylor (President), Eileen Saner (Vice President), and Paul Stuehrenberg (Secretary). The latest draft of the Core Values statement was considered in preparation for the discussion by the membership at the Town Meeting on Saturday afternoon. ATLA staff presented reports on *ATLAS* and *Research in Ministry Online*. Nancy Olsen and Jan Bosma, directors of the Association of Christian Librarians, joined the Board for a discussion of possible areas of collaboration with ATLA. Both groups will consider coordination of their conferences at some future date in order to promote professional development opportunities for members of both associations. Charles Willard reported on the work of the Special Committee of the Association for International Collaboration. The Special Committee was encouraged to publicize collaborative projects being pursued by ATLA members.

*Eileen K. Saner*  
*Outgoing Secretary*

*June 24, 2001*

The Board of Directors met with representatives of the Annual Conference Committee and the Education Committee to assess the Conference. The attendance was 372, making it the best attended Annual Conference to date. The Education Committee and Annual Conference Committee are scheduled to meet in St. Paul, October 4 to 6, 2001.

President Sharon Taylor and Vice President Eileen Saner will develop a document to help orient new Interest Group steering committee members. The document will highlight expectations for Interest Groups and provide guidance for how they can be led effectively. The Vice Presidential Luncheon is intended as a time for discussing the role of Interest Groups within the Association.

The Board recommends that the Professional

Development Committee consider proposals for ATLA professional development grants from two or more libraries, at least one of which is an institutional member of ATLA. Proposals can come from formal regional groups or ad hoc groups.

The next Board meeting will be held January 18 and 19, 2002. Prior to the Board meeting, a committee composed of Eileen Saner (chair), Paul Schrodtr, and Steve Crocco will conduct an on-site review of Member Services. 📖

*Paul F. Stuehrenberg*  
*Incoming Secretary*



### ATLA 2002: Theology and the Arts

#### *Call for Papers*

The Annual Conference Committee of the American Theological Library Association wishes to extend an invitation to members and friends of the Association to make **proposals for papers, presentations, workshops, or special sessions** for the 2002 ATLA conference. The conference will be hosted by the Minnesota Theological Library Association in St. Paul, Minnesota, June 19 to 22, 2002. The Committee will consider proposals on theological librarianship, general librarianship, and the academic disciplines of theology. We especially encourage proposals related to the role of theology and the arts (interpreted broadly) in ATLA libraries. We particularly invite persons to resubmit proposals that were deferred from the 2001 conference.

Proposals should include a title, an abstract (not to exceed 200 words), and the name(s) and the institution(s) of the presenter(s). **Proposals must be received by September 15, 2001.** Submit to:

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*Call for Ideas*


The Education Committee is responsible for planning and coordinating the educational opportunities for the Annual Conference, including the **preconference workshops** and the **roundtables**. We are actively soliciting your suggestions for the 2002 conference, to be held June 19 to 22 in St. Paul, Minnesota. The theme of the conference, "Theology and the Arts," provides an excellent catalyst for ideas for programming, but your suggestions do not need to be limited to that theme; we are most interested in providing sessions that are relevant to your needs and interests. Please send your suggestions (along with potential presenters if possible) to any of the members of the Education Committee by **September 15, 2001**:

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**Materials from Roundtable Now On-Line**

Laura Wood of Pitts Theological Seminary has published materials from the roundtable "Moving Targets: Managing Electronic Journals" held at the ATLA Annual Conference. One page includes the handout (<http://www.pitts.emory.edu/periodicals/ejournals.html>) and a link to download the slide presentation. Another page ([http://www.pitts.emory.edu/periodicals/moving\\_targets.htm](http://www.pitts.emory.edu/periodicals/moving_targets.htm)) contains an online version of the slide presentation.

**ATLA Cooperative Digital Resources Initiative**

ATS/ATLA member libraries are encouraged to submit proposals for the Cooperative Digital Resources Initiative by September 1, 2001, using the web form available at <http://www.atla.com/cdri/submissionform.htm>. The ATLA Cooperative Digital Resources Initiative will establish a freely available, web-searchable, central repository of digital resources contributed by participating libraries. Please see the CDRI web site at <http://www.atla.com/cdri/cdri.html> for more information and contact members of the ATLA Digital Standards and Projects Committee if you have any questions: Cameron Campbell, Duane Harbin, Mary Martin, Martha Smalley, Charles Willard. 

**Avital Pinnick to Publish Bibliography**

Avital Pinnick, recipient of the Publication Committee's 2000 ATLA Bibliography Award for a bibliography on the Dead Sea Scrolls, has completed her work, and Brill Academic Publishers will publish it in their series, "Studies in the Texts of the Desert of Judah." Brill expects it to appear in late October or early November. The work is titled *The Orion Center Bibliography of the Dead Sea Scrolls (1995-2000)*. Watch the Brill web site (<http://>

www.brill.nl/) for information in the coming months. 📖



### Phillips Theological Seminary and Ediciones Sigueme Win Drawings

Phillips Theological Seminary in Tulsa, OK, won a free subscription to *ATLAS* at the 2001 ATLA Annual Conference in Durham, NC. Roberta Hamburger, Director of the Library at Phillips, entered the drawing at ATLA's exhibit booth on behalf of the library.

An exhibitor drawing was also held at the conference in Durham for free exhibit space at next year's conference in St. Paul, MN. The winner is Ediciones Sigueme of Spain, represented by José Miguel Martínez Herranz. 📖



### Journal Evaluation Information Now on ATLA's Web Site

Information about the journal evaluation process for the *ATLA Religion Database (ATLA RDB)* is now available on the ATLA web site ([http://www.atla.com/products/subscribing/journal\\_evaluation.html](http://www.atla.com/products/subscribing/journal_evaluation.html)). This document describes both the process and the criteria for evaluation and includes title lists for journals that are waiting to be

evaluated, journals that have been accepted for indexing, and journals that ATLA would like to index when resources permit. 📖



### Discounts on IBM Products and Services

We are pleased to be able to announce to our members a new member benefit. Any member of the association may now receive a 5% discount off more than 1600 IBM PC products and services. This includes discounts on laptops, desktops, servers, printers, options, software, and business services.

This benefit is available to all our members, including student members and institutional members. Please contact Carol Jones ([cjones@atla.com](mailto:cjones@atla.com)) to find out how to take advantage of this new member benefit. 📖



### BETH Annual Conference

The Bibliothèques Européennes de Théologie (BETH) will hold its 2001 annual conference in Erfurt, Germany, September 4 through 9. ATLA is represented at BETH conferences on a regular basis. For more information on the conference, visit the BETH web site (<http://www.theo.kuleuven.ac.be/beth/>). 📖

## How to Subscribe to ATLANTIS

Many readers of the *ATLA Newsletter* are subscribers to ATLANTIS, a discussion list for theological librarians, but many are not. ATLANTIS primarily serves librarians and friends who are members of the American Theological Library Association. It is not, however, an official agency of ATLA, and the principal relationship among the subscribers is a commitment to an open discussion of issues relevant to theological librarians generally.

The list is unmoderated, but subscription is by request only to the list administrator. If you believe that you would like to become a participant in ATLANTIS discussions, send an e-mail message to Karen L. Whittlesey, list administrator, at [kwhittle@atla.com](mailto:kwhittle@atla.com), indicating your interest and noting your expectations as both a contributor to and a reader of this list.

*Conference 2001 Photos*



Clay Edward Dixon & Sergi Arhipov



Sabine Dupervil & Carol Jones working the Registration Desk



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Thursday worship participants



Duke Chapel/ATLA Friday Worship service



Dr. W. C. Turner with participants after Thursday worship service



Future ATLA member



Bill Hook "arrested" by the Mayberry Deputy



Enjoying the closing banquet



Ten current and former Presidents, L to R: Pat Graham, Bill Hook, Joe Coalter, Sharon Taylor, Linda Corman, Jim Dunkly, John Trotti, Sara Myers, Roger Loyd, Gene McLeod

## *ATLA Regional Program Speakers*

The ATLA Regional Program Speakers List is being made available to ATLA libraries and regional theological groups that are looking for programs to offer their members. A list of topics and the names of possible presenters for programs to be held outside of the ATLA Annual Conference is below.

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## *Cambodia Report*

From January 5 to 12, 2001, Dr. Alva Caldwell of Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary participated in a Mission Evangelism consultation sponsored by the General Board of Global Ministries from United Methodist Church theological schools. Cambodia was identified as the fastest growing field of mission for Methodism today. I asked Al if we could share excerpts from his report with ATLA members, and he graciously consented. There are four parts to his report: I. *Greeting from the Cambodian Methodists*; II. *Cambodia: The Place of the Methodist Church Today*; III. *Seeing Cambodia through the Metaphor of Walls*; and IV. *Seeing Cambodia through the Metaphor of Family*. Part I was printed in the May 2001 issue of the *ATLA Newsletter*. Parts III–IV will be published in future issues of the *ATLA Newsletter*. You may read the entire report on the ATLA web site at [www.atla.com/cambodia.html](http://www.atla.com/cambodia.html).

Here is the second excerpt from his report (*Dennis A. Norlin, ATLA Executive Director*):

### **Reflections on the General Board of Global Ministries' Trip to Cambodia, January 5–12, 2001, PART II**

*by Alva R. Caldwell, Librarian and Associate Professor of Ministries, United Library, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary*

#### **Cambodia: The Place of the Methodist Church Today**

Religion was forbidden under penalty of death during the Khmer Rouge reign of terror, 1975–1979. The practices of Buddhism and Islam were restored by the government after Pol Pot was driven from power; but it was not until 1990 that the government recognized the right of Christians to worship in Cambodia. Today every denomination and every local church must register with the government for a license to conduct worship. The government is very slow to issue these registrations, and some Methodist congregations wait two years or longer before the registration process is completed.

Almost every adult Christian with whom we spoke talked about the time they were in exile. They used short, clear descriptions such as: “When we were in Thailand,” “I escaped to the USA,” or “I

was in France during the Khmer Rouge.” Many of these refugees were sponsored by Methodist Churches in the USA, France, and Switzerland. Many of them became Methodists, gave birth to children while living in exile, and raised their children as Methodists. Now that it is safe to return to their home country, they are returning as Methodist Christians.

It struck me with great force that some USA churches thought that they were helping one or two families to have a new life; but in fact these churches were helping families who would one day return to nurture a whole country. Cambodia will be a different place because families of Methodists reached out to give hospitality.

There are currently over one hundred Methodist congregations in Cambodia. However, starting a church in Cambodia is more like building a community center; so we tended to hear talk along the lines of a “community of faith” and not so much about church as a worship center. When churches are built, meeting places, schools for children, and deep wells with fresh water are put in place. These churches are true to the Wesleyan heritage that one must minister to the whole person.

These communities of faith are growing out of several mission efforts: The Methodist Church of Korea, France, Switzerland, Singapore, Malaysia, and the USA are all present in Cambodia, and S.T. Kimbrough, Associate General Secretary for Mission Evangelism, says that this is the only place in the world today where all of these Methodist bodies are working closely together. The missionaries, teachers, and staff from each of these mission centers cooperate in training the ministers to become “lay pastors.” Children in the schools are taught in programs that share resources among the centers. On our last day in Cambodia, the United Methodist Center hosted a potluck celebration for all of the Methodist Mission Centers in Cambodia. Here we saw the missionary families, workers, pastors, and laypeople meeting with USA professors to celebrate, pray, and sing. Each mission center has its own ministry. Some ministries are focused in French, Korean, Chinese, and English, but all the centers provide ministry in the Khmer language. Khmer and English are the two primary languages for common communication in

Cambodia. Every Methodist Missionary with whom we spoke has one common vision: someday there will be a Methodist Church of Cambodia. No one wants to impose their own polity and ecclesiology on the Methodists of Cambodia. Cambodians cannot become Korean Methodists or United Methodists. We found a deep spirit of hope that the various Methodist bodies can move toward establishing a Methodist Church that is authentically Cambodian. 📖

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## Diktuon

### Desktop LCDs

At this year's Annual Conference, those of us who used the "Internet Café" got to use some impressive workstations provided by Dell Computers. These workstations incorporated attractive and functional flat-panel liquid crystal displays (LCDs). Once a luxury option for high-end computer buyers, recent price drops have made desktop LCDs a viable option for midrange buyers. The flat-panel displays are attractive for many reasons, the most obvious being that they are much more compact and lightweight than the more common cathode ray tube (CRT) monitor. Thus they fit better in tight workspaces and are easier for computer users to move around as their needs change.

LCD desktop displays use the same technology as displays incorporated in notebook computers. The image is produced in a very different way from CRT displays. CRT displays are "emissive." An electron gun at the back of the tube causes phosphors coating the image surface to glow, emitting their own light. The crystals that form the image on an LCD produce no light. In order for the image to be seen, they must be lit from behind. Thus LCDs are "transmissive" displays. The crystals themselves are colorless. Switching them off and on with an electrical current causes them to block or transmit light. In order to display color, three crystals are used to make up each pixel. Each of the crystals in a pixel has a

different color filter, one each for red, green and blue.

LCDs produce an image from edge to edge. CRTs cannot produce an image their entire surface. Therefore the viewable image on a CRT will be between one and two inches less than the tube size. This causes some confusion about comparable display sizes because the panels and tubes are both designated by their total physical size, not the size of the image they produce. Thus the actual image on a 15-inch LCD is only slightly smaller than the image on a 17-inch CRT.

Early LCDs used a "passive matrix." Passive matrix displays switch their pixels on and off from the edges in rows and columns. Though they are simple and inexpensive to make, they are not suited to image-intensive graphic user interfaces. Passive matrix displays have become rare in personal computers, though they are found occasionally on low-end notebooks. Today's notebook and desktop LCD displays use active matrix or "thin-film transistor" (TFT) technology. TFT displays incorporate a transistor for each individual liquid crystal cell to turn it on and off. TFT displays are bright and fast enough to display even moving images. However, they are considerably more expensive to manufacture than passive matrix panels.

LCD desktop displays consume less energy than CRT displays and are very low in electromagnetic emissions. TFT displays are sharper than CRTs because of the precision control afforded by the indi-

vidual pixel-based transistors. LCD panels have no flicker, so they cause less fatigue and eyestrain. The flat screen tends to reflect less glare than CRT screens. Image geometry is nearly perfect because of the flat surface and pixel matrix of the display.


However, aside from cost, LCDs do have other drawbacks. Overall, LCDs are more limited in the number of distinctive colors that can display than comparable CRTs, although the gap is narrowing. Since the LCD pixels do not emit their own light, it is difficult to view the image if you are not directly in front of the display. Manufacturers are improving the viewing angle on LCDs, and most display specifications will now include optimum viewing angles. If this is a concern, be sure to test the display before you buy.

The fluorescent backlight in LCDs is another cause for concern. When the backlight fails the display is unusable. Often the warranty period on the backlight is less than other components of the display and sometimes replacing the backlight is both difficult and expensive. It is a good idea to check out both the backlight warranty and the cost for replacement before buying. LCD displays may also have pixel defects. These are caused because of manufacturing defects that leave individual pixels stuck either continuously on or continuously off. It is virtually impossible to completely prevent such defects, but only occasionally do serious problems get by the manufacturer's quality control. However, it is another item to check in the warranty before buying.

There are some other differences between LCDs and CRTs. Most CRT displays use analog data input and most desktop computers come with analog display adapters. LCD displays that take analog input are readily available. However, because LCDs are natively digital, they may perform better with direct digital input. The image signal originates in the computer as digital. The display adapter converts it to analog for the display. LCD displays convert the signal *back* to digital. In the reversion process, the image data can degenerate. The result is called pixel jitter, which is exactly what it looks like. Jitter is a particular concern for precision graphic work and full motion video. LCDs with analog inputs have a means of adjusting the signal processing to correct for jitter. Automatic signal synchronization is a very desirable feature on an analog LCD display. Still, you may want to purchase an LCD

display that can take both analog and digital input even if your current hardware does not support digital output.

LCDs have what is known as "native resolution," which is defined by the actual number of pixels on the screen. While they allow images to scale to other resolutions, the best results by far will be at the display's native resolution. Most standard monitor resolutions are defined at a 4:3 width-to-height ratio. These include VGA (640x480), SVGA (800x600), XGA (1024x768), and UXGA (1660x1200). SXGA, however, is an exception at 1280x1024 or a 5:4 width to height ratio. SXGA is the native resolution for some 17-inch LCD displays. If an image created for a 4:3 resolution display is scaled to fill an SXGA display, the image will be distorted. Similarly, an image designed for an SXGA display will distort when scaled to fill a display with a 4:3 native resolution. Note that the images will *not* distort if they display in a window using the correct width to height ratios.

LCD displays can provide the same "bells and whistles" as CRTs, including built-in speakers and USB hubs. One feature offered by some CRTs is the ability to pivot the display so that it can be viewed as a portrait image. This allows the user to edit a full-scale image of a letter-size page. Some LCDs can be hung on the wall, and some will accept video signals from a television tuner, videocassette record, or video camera. Even without added gimmicks, LCD displays are well worth considering for most applications. With some careful shopping, they can be purchased for very little more than CRTs. One final word of caution, though. Since they are so much lighter and more compact than CRTs, as well as being more expensive, you may want to pay special attention to securing them because they are very attractive to thieves. 

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## ATLANTIS Reference Reviews

### May Reference Review

Barret, David B., George T. Kurian, and Todd M. Johnson, eds. *World Christian Encyclopedia: A Comparative Survey of Churches and Religions in the Modern World*. New York: Oxford University Press, 2001. 1730p. 2 vols. ISBN: 0195079639, \$395.00.

First published almost twenty years ago, the *World Christian Encyclopedia* again sets a new standard for religious information and statistics in the second edition. The *WCE* gives a comprehensive overview of contemporary Christianity in all of its many versions, in both secular and religious contexts. Spread over two volumes, this reference set tells the current status of Christianity and evangelization in terrific detail for virtually every country, province, city, people, and language worldwide. Plus, the *WCE* is a windfall of information, resources, and statistics for people interested in missions.

What makes this work special for a reference collection is that the *WCE* analyzes and describes an abundance of information about the extent, status, and characteristics of modern Christianity worldwide and compares it to other religions. Huge amounts of previously unpublished data on religion in general, on the current global situation of Christianity, and on the world's countries and peoples have been consolidated in to the *WCE*. The work takes full note of ecclesiastical branches, denominations, and subdivisions for every aspect of Christianity. The *WCE* even goes so far as to summarize the secular and religious makeup of over 200 countries of the modern world and includes cultural, demographic, economic, ethnic, linguistic, and political data. The data are given in narrative, graphic, and table forms. In short, the *WCE* leaves no stone unturned when it comes to the current state of Christianity in the world.

In Volume 1, the world is considered by country. At first glance this may seem overwhelming; however, summary information is given for each of 238 countries. This includes secular data as well as religious information on adherents, organized churches and denominations. Some entries include bibliographies, and all entries contain photos and drawings. Beyond the obvious implications for missions emerging from these detailed descriptions, the data

provide great material for theological students interested in seeing the broad scope of Christian influence around the world. Each entry also explores non-Christian religions, indigenous churches, and various forms of Christianity in each country.

Volume 2 moves on to consider the world by segments covering religions, peoples, languages, cities, and topics. First this volume profiles 270 of the largest distinct religions worldwide. Then it examines cultures, and the ethnosphere profiles of 12,600 people. Looking at linguistics, there is a review of 13,500 language profiles. There are 7,000 city profiles plus 3,030 profiles of major civil divisions in 238 countries. The details brought out in volume 2 are incredible. Volume 2 of this set includes a dictionary of Christianity, a world bibliography, a topical directory, and several very detailed indexes.

Why add this to your reference collection? Simply put, it is the best statistical work on the current state of Christianity to come along in the twenty years since the *WCE* was first published. Between the two volumes, students and faculty alike will be able to answer many factual questions related to Christianity and missions. But the sheer amount of information compiled will also lend itself to individual analysis of what is happening in the world today. The second edition of the *World Christian Encyclopedia* is a "must have" for every library. 📖

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### June Reference Review

Hart, D.G., and Mark A. Noll, eds. *Dictionary of the Presbyterian and Reformed Tradition in America*. Downer's Grove, Ill.: InterVarsity Press, 1999. 286p. ISBN: 0-8308-1453-1, \$16.95.

This volume has been designed as a companion to the *Dictionary of Christianity in America* (InterVarsity, 1990) and attempts to "fill in and flesh out a particular theological and ecclesiastical tradition that *DCA* covered but could not exhaust, in this case the Reformed expression of Christianity in

the United States and Canada.” The editors have deliberately limited its scope in two ways. First, they have focused strictly on individuals and denominations that consciously embrace the Presbyterian and Reformed tradition. Second, the entries “highlight individuals and communions while neglecting institutions.”

Several features make the *Dictionary of the Presbyterian and Reformed Tradition in America* an important addition for theological library reference shelves. Thematic essays on topics ranging from Presbyterian attitudes toward American revivalism to the impact of the fundamentalist-modernist controversy on Presbyterian and Reformed churches add interpretive depth to this work. The introductory essay, written by the editors, provides an especially good example with its interpretive overview of how individuals and congregations associated with the Presbyterian and Reformed tradition not only interacted with an emerging North American culture, but sought to preserve their unique theological identity amidst growing religious pluralism. Students and researchers needing a concise overview of the Presbyterian and Reformed tradition will find this essay helpful.

The editors have provided three introductory sections that make the dictionary more useful for librarians and researchers. A brief usage guide discusses conventions for identifying authors of articles and cross-reference forms used in dictionary entries. Abbreviations for frequently used books and journals are cited. Contributors are listed by name and academic affiliation. Librarians will appreciate both the brevity and clarity of these sections, especially when introducing potential users to this work.

Entries cover a range of individuals, both historical and contemporary, associated with the tradition. Students and researchers who need information about the origin and background of various Presbyterian and Reformed denominations will find those entries particularly helpful. Entries also cover specific Presbyterian creeds, confessions, and statements (for example, the 1924 Auburn Affirmation), as well as Reformed understandings of issues relating to Christian theology and worship. Entries are cross-referenced when necessary and end with bibliographic references to secondary sources for further study.

Two limitations to this work are apparent. First,

the lack of a hardcover edition will concern reference librarians, especially since this work has the potential for extensive usage. Second, the small type size makes reading difficult. While using a larger type size would have resulted in a larger, more-expensive volume, the benefits in terms of accessibility would have been well worth the added cost. Still, this is a volume that reference librarians will want to make sure they have on hand.

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## Preservation News

### Summary of the First Half of the NEH Preservation Grant

The first half of *Christianity and the Encounter with World Religions*, an ATLA project funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), has been completed. The materials preserved are representative of non-Christian, missionary, and syncretistic religious journals. The literature provides insight into a time in North American history when non-Christian religions were introduced into the predominantly mainstream Christian society and when there was a flurry of missionary activity abroad.

Until now, there has not been an extensive collection of journal literature in non-Christian religions around the turn of the century. Its very rarity makes this literature vital for researchers studying the engagement of North Americans with non-Christian religions.

The first half of this extraordinary collection preserves 123 titles on 243 reels of microfilm. The serials contain reports and journals of the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> century from around the globe, representing seven languages on six continents.

The collection offers rare reports and journals from "the Orient," such as *Bible for China* and *Ex Oriente Lux. Sacred Books of the Buddhist* and *Journal and Text of the Buddhist Text Society of India* feature scholarly discussion and translations of ancient Buddhist texts and literature. India's encounter with Christianity is represented in the *Friend of India* series, *Report of the Cambridge Mission to Delhi*, and *Report of the Bible Society of India*. Also available are the Methodist Episcopal Church's *Annual report of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the North-West India Conference* and *Minutes of the Malaysia Mission Conference*.

Archaeological discovery and ancient religion are preserved in titles such as *Ancient Egypt; Proceedings of the Society of Biblical Archaeology; Egyptian religion; Palestine Exploration Quarterly*, and *Syria (Paris France)*. Missionary work of the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> century are found in the *Archbishop of Canterbury's Assyrian Mission* and in the London Association in Aid of the Moravian Mission's *Annual report*. The Algiers Mission Band's *Journal and Story of . . .* preserves the original 15 x 22 cm hand-bound volumes,

complete with early photographs in Algiers and hand-drawn illustrations.


The *Christianity's encounter* collection also offers theological and philosophical discussion from the perspective of non-western religions. *Muslim India and Islamic Review, Islam (Strassburg, Germany)* and *Islamica (Leipzig, Germany)* were published for the Muslim world and the study of Islam and its culture; for the study of Judaism, the *Jewish Review* and *Contemporary Jewish Review. Voice of freedom*, published in San Francisco, broaches the Vedanta, the philosophical foundation of Hinduism. *World unity* is a publication of the Baha'i faith.

Europe produced serials such as the Netherlands' missionary magazine, *Koloniaal Missietijdschrift* (a mission to Indonesia), Scotland's *Helpmeet*, published by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Free Church of Scotland, and *Report for Jewish missions* from the Church of Scotland. Published in Ireland was the *Irish Congregational magazine*; from England came the Unitarian's *Christian teacher*. Serials preserved from Latin America include the Methodist Episcopal Church's *Minutes of the session of the Mexico Annual Conference* and *Among the Telugus and Bolivians* published by the Canadian Baptist Mission, a mission that extended into Latin America from its original mission in India.

Special missions also found their niche in publications such as *Mission Dayspring*, an illustrated monthly for children. *Mission to the Blind in Heathen Lands* was founded by Robert A. Byers, himself a blind man from Australia. Other special missions covered include *Annual report of the American Church Institute for Negroes* and *Annual report of the Hawaiian Evangelical Association*.

Mission conferences and annual reports include the pivotal *Foreign Mission Conference of North America*; and others, such as *Proceedings of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of South Africa; Proceedings of the Board of Missions of the Evangelical Association of North America*; and the *Annual report of the Friends Service Council (Quakers)*.

Some of the titles described above were listed in previous issues of the *ATLA Newsletter*. Below are listed titles that have been newly microfilmed since that period. The second half of the *Christianity and the Encounter with World Religions* collection will be

completed in August 2002. For further information on any of these titles, please contact Scholarly Resources [Tel: (800) 772-8937; E-Mail: sales@scholarly.com]. 



### Serials Newly Preserved through the NEH Grant

*The following serial titles were microfilmed as part of the preservation grant, "Christianity and the Encounter with World Religions, 1875-1950". The preservation of these serials has been funded in part by the office of preservation of the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH).*

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**Canadian Baptist Telugu Missions. Report** (1878-1911)

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*Among the Telugus and Bolivians* (1941-1949)

Reports of the Canadian Baptist Mission among the Telugu (Indic people). Also includes mission to the Oriya and Savara (Indic people) and the Bolivians. ATLA no.: 2000-S500A-D, 6 reels (1878-1949).

**Algiers Mission Band. Journal**

**Algiers Mission Band. Story of . . .**

Covers the Algiers Mission Band work in Algiers. *Journal covers* 1910-1919; *Story of . . . covers* 1916-1919. ATLA no.: 2001-S017 and 2001-S018, 1 reel (1910-1919). (Two titles sold as a set on one reel.)

**Mission to the Blind in Heathen lands.**

**Mission to the Blind in Heathen and Bible Lands.**

**Mission to the Blind Overseas.**

Annual reports of the mission to the blind orphans and castaways. Founded by Robert A. Byers; published in Australia. ATLA no.: 2001-S029 through 2001-S034, 4 reels (1919-1964). (First reel contains first three titles, 2001-S029 through 2001-S031).

**Methodist Episcopal Church. Malaysia Mission Conference. Minutes** (1<sup>st</sup>-32<sup>nd</sup>)

**Methodist Episcopal Church. Malaya Mission Conference. Minutes** (33<sup>rd</sup>-47<sup>th</sup>)

Minutes of the Malaysia (1893-1924) and Malaya Mission Conference (1925-1939) of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Published in Singapore. ATLA no.: 2001-S035 through 2001-S038, 4 reels (1893-1939).

**Publications of the Huguenot Society of London**

History and genealogy of the Huguenots in Great Britain and France. ATLA no.: 2001-S039, 6 reels (1887-1961).

**Archives d'histoire du droit oriental**

Covers history of law in ancient Egypt and Greece; also includes Jewish and Islamic law. Text in French. ATLA no.: 2001-S044, 1 reel (1937-1951).

**The Helpmeet**

"A record of woman's work in heathen lands, in connection with the Free Church of Scotland." Published by the Ladies Society for Female Education in India and Africa (1891-1893) and Woman's Foreign Missionary Society (1894-1900), Free Church of Scotland. ATLA no.: 2001-S045, 1 reel (1891-1900).

**Christian teacher** (London, England : 1835)

**Christian teacher and chronicle**

**Christian teacher and chronicle of beneficence**

**Christian teacher** (London, England : 1838)

Unitarian periodical. Published in London. ATLA no.: 2001-S046 through 2001-S049, 5 reels (1835-1844).

**Onze missiën in Oost- en West-Indiën : tijdschrift der Indische Missie-Vereeniging**

**Koloniaal missie tijdschrift**

**Indisch missietijdschrift**

Covers Catholic mission of the Indische Missie-vereeniging to Indonesia, Curaçau, and Suriname. Text in Dutch. ATLA no.: 2001-S050 through 2001-S052, 6 reels (1917-1963).

**Syria** (Paris, France)

"Revue d'art oriental et d'archéologie." Art and archaeology in Syria. Published in Paris. Indexed in ATLA's Religion Index (RIO), 1949-. ATLA no.: 2001-S057, 6 reels (1920-1950).

**Unitarian and Universalist missionary**

Unitarian and Universalist periodicals, published in London. ATLA no.: 2001-S058, 1 reel (1872).



*Irish Congregational magazine**Irish Congregational magazine and home messenger*

The Congregational church in Ireland; magazine of the Irish Congregational Union. Published in Belfast. ATLA no.: 2001-S059 and 2001-S060, 4 reels (1872-1917).

*Friend of India**Friend of India. Monthly series**Friend of India. Quarterly series.*

*The Friend of India* (1818-1819), "containing information relative to the state of religion and literature in India, with occasional intelligence from Europe and America," was continued by the monthly and quarterly series, both of which ran from 1820-1826. Printed in Serampore, India, by the Mission Press. ATLA no.: 2001-S061 through 2001-S063, 3 reels (1818-1826).

*Contemporary Jewish Record*

"A review of events & digest of opinion." Published in New York by the American Jewish Committee. ATLA no.: 2001-S064, 2 reels (1938-1945).

*Hawaiian Evangelical Association. Annual report (15<sup>th</sup>-132<sup>nd</sup>, 1878-1954)**Hawaiian Evangelical Association of the Congregation Christian Churches. Annual report (133<sup>rd</sup>-140<sup>th</sup>, 1955-1962)*

Missions of the Association in Hawaii. Published in Honolulu. ATLA no.: 2001-S065 and 2001-S065, 5 reels total (1878-1962).

*The Pulpit treasury (1883-1888)**The Treasury: an evangelical monthly for pastor and people (1888-1907)*

Also carries titles: "Treasury for pastor and people" and "Treasury of religious thought." A Christian periodical on theology. Published in New York by E. B. Treat. ATLA no.: 2001-S067 through 2001-S068, 11 reels (1883-1907).

*New Jerusalem magazine*

Magazine of the New Jerusalem Church. Also includes proceedings of the minutes of its various state associations. Published by the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America. ATLA no.: 2001-S069, 21 reels (1827-1893).

*Church of Scotland. Jewish Mission Committee. Report on Jewish missions*

Report from the Scottish mission to the Jews. Submitted by the Jewish Mission Committee of the Church of Scotland. ATLA no.: 2001-S070, 1 reel (1929-1942).

*Evangelical Association of North America. Board of Missions. Proceedings*

Proceedings of the Association's Board of Missions. Published in Cleveland. ATLA no.: 2001-S071, 1 reel (1907-1922).

*Evangelical Church. Missionary Society. Missions of the Evangelical Church*

Published in Cleveland. ATLA no.: 2001-S072, 2 reels (1922-1946).

*Friends Service Council.*

Annual reports of the missions of the Society of Friends. Published in London by the Friends Service Council (Quakers). ATLA no.: 2001-S073 through 2001-S081, 9 reels (1927-1978).

*Sacred books of the Buddhists*

Covers the Tripitaka and the sacred books in Buddhism. "Published under the patronage of his majesty Chulalankarana, King of Siam," in London. ATLA no.: 2001-S082, 3 reels (volumes 1-16).

*Society of Biblical Archaeology (London, England). Proceedings*

The proceedings of the Society. Published in London. ATLA no.: 2001-S083, 8 reels (1878-1918).

*Revue des religions*

Covers the history of religion. Published in Paris. Text in French. ATLA no.: 2001-S084, 2 reels (1889-1896).

*Voice of freedom*

"A monthly publication for the growth of all phases of life." A study of the Vedantin, published by the San Francisco Vedanta Society. ATLA no.: 2001-S085, 2 reels (1909-1916).

*American Church Institute for Negroes. Annual report**American Church Institute for Negroes. Report Negro education in wartime.*

"An account of the American Church Institute for Negroes and its nine affiliated schools." African American education; affiliated with the Episcopal Church. ATLA no.: 2001-S086 through 2001-S088, 3 reels (1906-1942).

*London Association in Aid of the Missions of the United Brethren. Report of the Committee**London Association in Aid of the Moravian Missions. Annual report*

The British mission of the Association, representing the Moravian Church. ATLA no.: 2001-S089 and 2001-S090, 6 reels (1835-1970).

**Bible Union of China.** *Bulletin of the Bible Union of China*

*Bible for China*

Organ of the Bible Union of China. Published in Shanghai. ATLA no.: 2001-S091 and 2001-S092, 3 reels (1921-1938).


*Journal of the Buddhist Text Society of India (1893)*

*Journal and text of the Buddhist Text Society of India*

*Journal of the Buddhist Text Society of India (1895)*

*Journal of the Buddhist Text and Anthropological Society*

*Journal of the Buddhist Text and Research Society*


History of Buddhist literature in India. Includes proceedings of the Society; published in Calcutta. Journal in English, some texts in Sanskrit, Tibetan, and Pali. ATLA no.: 2001-S093 through 2001-S097, 5 reels (1893-1906). 



**Monographs Newly Available on Microfilm**

*Monographs on microfilm are available to ATLA Institutional Members for \$60 per reel. To purchase, please contact Rick Adamek [Tel: (888) 665-ATLA ; E-mail: radamek@atla.com].*

**Studi di storia orientale.** History of the Orient. By Leone Caetani, published in Milan. Text in Italian. Order no.: 2001-B500, 1 reel (2 v., 1911-1914).

**Die mosaische Stiftshütte.** On the Tabernacle. By J. Riggenbach, published in Basel, Switzerland, 1867. Text in German. Order no.: T172, 1 reel. 

## **JOB LISTINGS WANTED!**

ATLA is soliciting job listings for both professional and paraprofessional positions. Send position open announcements to the *Newsletter* editor, Margret Tacke Collins (e-mail: newsletter@atla.com) and they will be posted on the web site promptly and in the next *Newsletter*. If you need a librarian, a circulation supervisor, or administrative assistant, we can help you find one!

### **Job listings are free for ATLA member institutions**

Non-member institutions will be charged as follows:

\$50 per ad for *Newsletter*

\$50 per ad for web site

\$75 per ad for *Newsletter* and web site

## **ATLA REGIONAL GROUPS**

Get the word out! Submit your meetings for inclusion in the ATLA Calendar and/or the Announcements portion of the *ATLA Newsletter*.

**E-MAIL: NEWSLETTER@ATLA.COM**

## **Changes:**

If you have moved, changed jobs, have a new e-mail service provider, or anything else that affects your contact information, please notify Carol Jones (cjones@atla.com or 888-665-2852) so that your membership record may be updated.

## *The ATLA Business Plan*

**The ATLA Business Plan, Part IV:  
Current Market Factors  
(Fourth in a five-part series)  
by Dennis A. Norlin, Executive Director**

In the three previous installments of this series (November 2000, February and May 2001) I discussed the values and skills required to manage ATLA's financial resources, summarized the Association's financial history, and described the actions we took in 1996 to establish a sound financial base for the future. The current article focuses upon current market factors that can affect our Association's financial health.

In June 2000, I asked the Board to review Carol Tenopir's article, "Database 2000: Are Online Companies Dinosaurs?" in *Library Journal* for May 15, 2000 (pp. 44–50), because it gives a vivid description of what is taking place among information services providers.

What is happening in our area reflects the same kind of consolidation and takeover mentality that is evident in many other businesses. Small publishers, including both for-profit and not-for-profit, are finding it very difficult to stay in business. I'd like to summarize the basic market factors that we face as a specialized not-for-profit publisher today:

### **1. Designing Applications vs. Assuring the Quality of the Data**

When we were working feverishly to complete the transformation of our data into US MARC, we believed that the major online vendors like FirstSearch and SilverPlatter would be able to spend more time and effort to develop more sophisticated applications than we could, thereby freeing us to concentrate our efforts on improving the data, the authority files, etc. That belief did not prove to be true. Now we will be developing our own application as well as upgrading the data. Having migrated to CUADRA for production, along with the experience we are gaining with *IBRR Online*, should help us.

### **2. Competition vs. Collaboration**

When it is possible to collaborate with others it is certainly advantageous to do so. We have sought,

in good faith, to do just that with our index products. The results have been mixed:

- We have formal electronic publishing agreements with the Catholic Library Association and the Catholic Biblical Association.
- We are seeking to develop publishing agreements with several other theological library associations, both in the United States and abroad.
- We continue to expand our relationships with online vendors. Cambridge Scientific Abstracts is ready to add its version of the *ATLA Religion Database* to those produced by ATLA, OCLC FirstSearch, SilverPlatter, and EBSCO.
- When organizations and associations choose not to collaborate with ATLA, viewing us as competitors, we are prepared to compete with them to maintain our presence in the specialized field of secondary publishing in theological and religious literature. One major online vendor has rejected our offer to collaborate, and we must treat them as a serious competitor. We will compete ethically, effectively, and vigorously.

### **3. Identity, Labels, Branding**

When ATLA dissolved its relationship with the Wilson Company in 1994, there was very little public announcement or discussion about the change. Because ATLA's indexes had always been referred to as "The Religion Indexes" by Wilson, many people never associated ATLA with the product. In 1996 we applied for trademark status for the *ATLA Religion Database*, and we have insisted that every vendor always use that full term when referring to our product. We have consistently and repeatedly used this term for four years, and it has paid enormous dividends. Today that process is called "branding," and it means that people come to identify one's organization with a product in an unmistakable way. We also have consistently referred to our product as the "premier database" in religion in all of our advertising and marketing.

### **4. Outsourcing vs. In-House**


Identifying our core values and core competencies should make it easy to decide what to outsource, but there are other factors that make those decisions

complicated. Our experience with developing the new Windows interface for our CD-ROM product taught us that we must not become completely dependent upon one software company in an era when turnover at software companies is extraordinarily high. For example, ATLA has worked with seven different project managers from the project's inception until its completion in 2001. We now have an excellent new interface, but we paid a significant price in time, resources, and public relations.

#### 5. Bulls vs. Bears: The Future of the Economy

During my tenure as ATLA's Executive Director the overall economy has been expanding at a rapid rate. Although ATLA is not directly affected by the economy, the rapid accumulation of wealth has had an indirect effect on the Association through a dramatic increase in support from some ATLA member institutions and by the amount of funding available from foundations.

In the past six months there has been a dramatic shift in the markets and the economic outlook, accompanied by volatile shifts in stock values and interest rates. As ATLA plans for the future we cannot assume that unprecedented growth will continue. We must anticipate less outside support for member institutions, less available grant funding, and a slowdown in the steady expansion of our customer base that has occurred since 1996 (from 235 *ATLA RDB* customers to 800+).

We must also, however, invest in new products and programs and services for the future and not simply hang on to what we have, saving for a rainy day. Our challenge is to develop sufficient financial strength to ensure the Association's financial future and to be able to continue to respond to members' dreams and goals for new challenges and opportunities. 

*In the final section of this series (to be published in November 2001) I will discuss ATLA's business strategies for the future.*

Dennis A. Norlin  
ATLA Executive Director

## ATLA Annual Conferences

June 19–22, 2002

**St. Paul, MN**

Minnesota Theological  
Library Association

June 18–21, 2003

**Portland, OR**

George Fox Evangelical Seminary  
Mount Angel Abbey  
Multnomah Biblical Seminary  
Western Seminary

June 16–19, 2004

**Kansas City, MO**

Nazarene Theological Seminary

## Reminder Regarding Your Library's Copy of the *ATLA Newsletter*

ATLA member institutions receive their copies of the *ATLA Newsletter* via their Institutional Member Representative. If you are a Rep, please remember to pass on the *Newsletter* to your library's serials department. If you are also an individual member, you will receive two copies of the *Newsletter*, one of which is yours to keep.

## *From the Executive Director*

### Headquarters Expansion

By November 1, ATLA will have completed a 6,000-square-foot addition to our new headquarters. Located on the fifteenth floor directly beneath our present site and funded in part by grants from the Lilly Endowment, Inc., and the Henry Luce Foundation, the new site will support four basic activities:

1. **Electronic Classroom.** The Professional Development Committee, the Technology Advisory Committee, and others are helping us design an electronic classroom that will support a wide variety of interactive services and programs for ATLA members and institutions. ATLA will make the classroom available to scholarly theological and religious studies associations at no charge. It will also become a key resource for a variety of member workshops and programs, including NACO/CONSER training.
2. **Preservation Microfilm Center.** ATLA has contracted with Mr. and Mrs. Sang Sul to purchase their microfilm equipment and services in order to develop our own specialized on-demand filming program. For the past five years the Suls have worked closely with ATLA to film serials and monographs at very reasonable costs and with very high quality. The new preservation microfilm center will allow us to continue to support that program ourselves. ATLA's Preservation Microfilm Service will be unavailable during the move to our new headquarters (August 17–October 15). If you have questions about On Demand Filming during that time, please contact Russell Kracke, Preservation Specialist ([rkracke@atla.com](mailto:rkracke@atla.com)).
3. **Office Space.** Four additional cubicles and two additional offices will be available on the fifteenth floor to supplement the space and facilities currently available on the sixteenth floor.
4. **Chapel/Meditation Center.** The new facility on the fifteenth floor will contain a small chapel space available for staff and visitors for personal meditation, prayer, and/or reflection.

With the completion of this addition to our headquarters and the consolidation of all ATLA staff in Chicago, we will have achieved a new level of permanence and security for the Association. Our lease of the new headquarters runs through 2012. We look for this new headquarters to become an important resource for ATLA members as a center for planning, production, and support of ATLA programs and services. The accompanying plan on page 29 offers a graphic representation of the new site, which we expect to occupy sometime in November. 📖

*Dennis A. Norlin*  
*ATLA Executive Director*

### **Copy Deadlines for ATLA Newsletter**

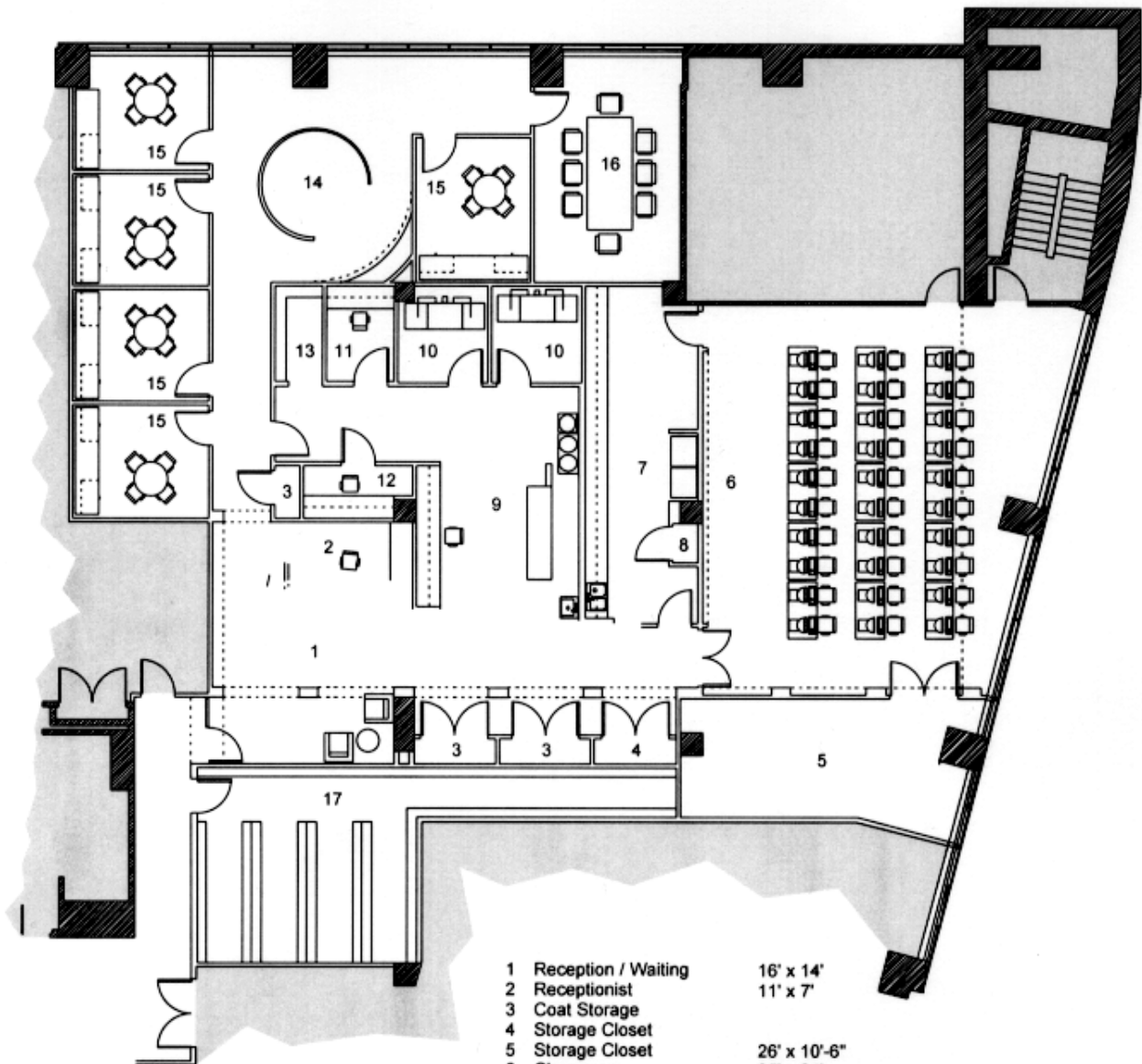
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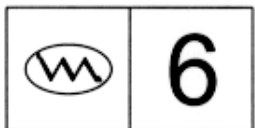
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## *ATLA Calendar*

### August

- 1 Norlin meets with Catholic Periodical and Literature Index (CPLI) Committee of the Catholic Library Association (Hartford, CT)
- 11 ATLAS Advisory Panel Meeting, O'Hare Hilton (Chicago)
- 16 ATLA Staff Picnic at Ravinia
- 17 Last day of Preservation Microfilming until October 15
- 28 Moving materials from Davis Street site in Evanston to new headquarters in Chicago

### September

- 1 Deadline for Cooperative Digital Resources Initiative applications (see p. 10)
- 3 Labor Day Holiday. ATLA offices closed
- 7 Norlin meets with CLA Executive Director, librarians from Notre Dame
- 11–12 Microsoft Office Workshop (Collins, Jones, West)
- 15 Deadline for 2002 Annual Conference proposals and ideas (see pp. 10 & 11)
- 21 Norlin, Smalley at NEH Brittle Books Conference, Washington, DC
- 22–24 Whittlesey in Kansas City to select a hotel for the 2004 Annual Conference

### October

- 3–4 XML Searchable Text Consultation at ATLA headquarters
- 4–5 ATIS/ATLA Digital Standards and Projects Committee meets at ATLA headquarters
- 4–6 Annual Conference Committee, Education Committee, Local Host Committee for 2002 conference meet in St. Paul (Whittlesey, Jones, Taylor, Norlin)
- 12 Fall CATLA Meeting (tentatively at ATLA Headquarters)—Dr. Linda Cannell from Trinity International University will speak
- 26–27 Professional Development Committee meets at ATLA headquarters
- 31 ATLA/CERTR Center in Atlanta closes

### November

- 1 Date for occupying fifteenth-floor expansion site
- 16 ATIS/ATLA Digital Standards and Projects Committee meets at AAR/SBL Annual Meeting (Denver)
- 17 ATLA Luncheon for AAR/SBL Student Members at AAR/SBL Annual Meeting
- 22–23 Thanksgiving Holiday. ATLA offices closed

### December


- 24–25 Christmas Holiday. ATLA offices closed

### January 2002

- 1 New Year's Day. ATLA offices closed. 📖


## *News from ATLA Staff*

### Norlin and Smalley to Attend NEH Brittle Books Conference

On September 21, Martha Smalley (chair of ATLA's Preservation Advisory Committee) and ATLA Executive Director Dennis Norlin will represent ATLA at the third Brittle Book Conference sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH). ATLA is one of just fifteen organizations invited to participate in this important preservation conference. We will provide a report about the meeting in the November *Newsletter*. 




### Searchable Text Planning Meeting

On October 2–3, a group of ATLA's public service librarians have been invited to participate in a two-day planning meeting that will guide ATLA staff in planning Phase II (XML-searchable text) of the *ATLAS* project. Participants will discuss the ways that the new version will interact with the indexing from the *ATLA Religion Database*, identify additional desirable functionality, suggest significant interface features, and respond to marketing and advertising plans. 




### ATS/ATLA Digital Standards and Projects Meeting

On October 4–5, the ATS/ATLA Digital Standards and Projects Committee will hold its quarterly meeting at ATLA headquarters in Chicago. ATLA Institutional Members are eligible to apply for the first round of grants available by September 1. Complete information about the project is available on the ATLA web site (<http://www.atla.com/cdri/cdri.html>). 



### Endowment Fund Report

The ATLA Endowment Fund has had its best year for contributions since its inception. With the close of ATLA's fiscal year (August 31), there is one last opportunity for you to contribute to this year's endowment fund. An average of three years' increase in funds is available each year for travel grants, scholarships, and meetings promoting theological librarianship. Please consider making an end-of-the-fiscal-year contribution to the fund before August 31. Send your contribution to:

ATLA Endowment Fund  
North Suburban Library Foundation  
200 West Dundee  
Wheeling, Illinois 60090 



### ATLA's Atlanta CERTR Staff Moving to Chicago

When we formed the ATLA Center for Electronic Resources in Theology and Religion (CERTR) two years ago, we decided to open a second location in Atlanta for three basic reasons:

1. At our old headquarters in Evanston there was no space for additional staff.
2. We had hopes of eventually relocating the ATLA CERTR to the Emory campus and taking advantage of the infrastructure and support available there.
3. The person we hired to lead the CERTR project (Dr. James Adair) was already located in Atlanta and had contacts and resources there.

Our circumstances have changed dramatically since that time. We now have more than sufficient space to house all of ATLA's operations at 250 South Wacker Drive, and we learned in May that we would not be able to relocate the CERTR center to the Emory campus. Since we are about to add 6,000 square feet to the facilities that we have leased for the next twelve years, it makes



sound financial and organizational sense to bring all of our staff together at our new headquarters at this time.

We plan to relocate CERTR staff to the Chicago headquarters by November 1. In addition to the financial savings we will realize, we are confident that the consolidation of staff with extensive computing skills will increase our abilities, efficiency, and creativity. We are pleased that Digitization Coordinator Christian Kelm and Systems Administrator John Wagner will be joining us in Chicago.

We anticipate no interruption in the development or availability of *ATLAS* for subscribers.

Dr. James Adair, Director of the ATLA CERTR department, has chosen not to relocate and will be leaving ATLA's employ on October 31. We are grateful for Dr. Adair's leadership of this project for nearly three years. Without his vision, creativity, and commitment, the *ATLAS* project would not have been possible. We wish him well in his new endeavors. 📖



Kurt Buhring joined the ATLA staff as Indexer-Analyst on July 2, 2001. He is currently working on his dissertation, titled "Resistance and Redemption: Conceptions of Theodicy in African American and Jewish Theology," at the University of Chicago Divinity School. He has completed doctoral exams in the areas of "history of Christian thought through the Reformation," "modern and contemporary religious thought, religion and politics," as well as "modern theological system: James Cone." He has an MA in religion from the University of Chicago Divinity School and a BA in religious studies from Grinnell College. Mr. Buhring has also taught in the Department of Religious Studies, Saint Xavier University (Chicago), and worked as a research assistant for Dwight Hopkins at the University of Chicago Divinity School. 📖



### From the Director of Member Services

Dear Colleagues,

On my desk there are cascading files holding folders for each of the ATLA conferences—current, next year's, the following year's, and then a group of folders with suggestions or ideas and contacts for potential conferences three years and more away. When one conference is finished, I move the folders down a file, putting away those for the just-completed conference.

I thought of Queen Elizabeth the other day as I was gathering my 2001 conference files and moving the upcoming files in succession down my desk. I am an Anglophile from way back, so I was utterly drawn into the romanticism of the young princess Elizabeth learning in a tree-top lodge in Africa of the death of her father, the king, and her immediate ascension to the throne as queen. And I remember watching her coronation (and falling madly for Prince Phillip). A succession.

And now the 2001 ATLA Annual Conference is over. But is it really? Are any of our conferences really over? Friendships made and nurtured at conferences continue, new initiatives that had their genesis in a roundtable start to germinate at our home institution, presentations spark an interest that leads us to a new book or web site.

No, in a variety of ways one conference gives impetus to the next. Seeds planted in Durham will bear fruit in St. Paul, seeds sown in St. Paul will blossom in Portland, and so on down the line. The succession of conferences build one on the next.

This past conference in Durham was wonderful—your comments and evaluations say that it was a positive, worthwhile, and exciting experience. (For an online summary of comments see the conference home page at <http://www.atla.com/member/conference>.) And now it's time to build on the 2001 conference as we look toward St. Paul in 2002. 📖

## *ATLA Welcomes New Members*

### Individuals

Mr. Jim Bailey  
Hillsboro, OH

Ms. Aura A. Fluet  
Methuen, MA

Ms. Patricia Burke  
Virginia Theological Seminary Library  
Alexandria, VA

Mrs. Sandra Lawson  
Christian Family Resource Center  
Matthews, NC

Mr. Richard D. Ramsey  
Hammond, LA

### Students

Ms. Lynette W. Bracey  
Buies Creek, NC

Dr. Jeff Griffin  
Benton, AR

Mr. Will Monroe  
Baton Rouge, LA

### Institutions

Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod  
St. Louis, MO

Queen's Theological College Library  
Kingston, ON, Canada

Southern Baptist Historical Library & Archives  
Nashville, TN

### Affiliate Members—Libraries

Beth Mardutho: The Syriac Institute  
Piscataway, NJ

Reformed Bible College Library  
Grand Rapids, MI

State Historical Society of Wisconsin  
Madison, WI

### Affiliate Members—Businesses & Organizations

Casalini Libri  
Fiesol, Italy

## *Positions Open*

### **Acquisitions/Serials/Electronic Reference Librarian** *Andover Newton Theological School*


Andover Newton Theological School invites applications and recommendations for the position of Acquisitions/Serials/Electronic Reference Librarian.

*Description:* The librarian is primarily responsible for overseeing monographic and serials ordering, binding, and gift-book processing. The librarian will also join other staff in giving tutorials on computer databases, the library catalog, and the Internet; and assisting the Webmaster with content for the library's web page.

*Preferred Qualifications:* ALA-accredited MLS degree, good oral and written communications skills, advanced theological training and computer knowledge. Reading knowledge of German and Spanish.

*Salary & Benefits:* Entry level position. Excellent benefits package including 16% TIAA-CREF and 85% health benefits.

*Environment:* The successful candidate will join three other professionals and three paraprofessionals in providing library services in the Franklin Trask Library at the oldest Protestant graduate school of theology in the country. The ecumenical school has historic ties with the United Church of Christ and the American Baptist Churches and serves about 450 students in a variety of graduate-degree programs. The library owns over 220,000 volumes and formally cooperates with libraries in the Boston Theological Institute and Harvard University.

To apply send letter of application and resume to: Sharon Taylor, Director, Andover Newton Theological School, Trask Library, 169 Herrick Road, Newton Centre, MA 02459, [Staylor@ants.edu](mailto:Staylor@ants.edu). 



### **Assistant Archivist** *Marquette University Libraries*

Marquette Libraries invites applications for the position of assistant archivist. Reporting to the head of the Department of Special Collections and University Archives, this position includes broad respon-

sibilities within a dynamic, service-oriented program. Assumes a leadership role in applying automation technology to the functions of the department. Appraises and accessions both university records and manuscripts. Trains and supervises student assistants. Assists in promoting undergraduate use of collections.

For a full description of the position and responsibilities, see the News and Information section of the Libraries' web site (<http://www.marquette.edu/library/>). Individuals with questions may also contact Nicholas C. Burckel, Dean of Marquette Libraries, at the SAA annual meeting.

*Required Qualifications:* ALA-accredited MLS degree with an archival concentration or relevant subject master's with certification by the Academy of Certified Archivists. In-depth knowledge of archival principles and practices. Strong communication and interpersonal skills, service orientation, and the ability to work effectively with colleagues, faculty, and students in a team-based environment.

*Preferred Qualifications:* Minimum two years' post-graduate experience in archival management; one year supervisory experience in an archival setting. Knowledge of information technology as applied to archives, including experience with the following: cataloging using the MARC format; preparing finding aids for the Web; electronic record keeping; digital-imaging technologies.

*Institutional Context:* Marquette University is an independent, Catholic, Jesuit institution located on an eighty-acre campus near downtown Milwaukee. The Department of Special Collections is preparing to move into the new 120,000-square-foot John P. Raynor, S.J., Library in 2003.

*Salary* is competitive, commensurate with experience and qualifications. \$33,000 minimum.

*Letters of application*, along with a resume and names of three references should be sent to: Matt Blessing, Department of Special Collections and University Archives, Marquette University Libraries, P.O. Box 3141, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53201-3141.

Review of applications will begin October 19, 2001, but will be accepted until the position is filled.

Marquette University is committed to diversity and equality in education and employment. At the

same time, Marquette cherishes its right and duty to seek and retain personnel who will make a positive contribution to its religious character, goals, and mission in order to enhance the Jesuit, Catholic tradition. 📖



### Technical Services Librarian

#### *Feehan Memorial Library at the University of St. Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary*

*Introduction:* The Feehan Memorial Library at the University of St. Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary in Mundelein, IL, is seeking a detail oriented individual with good communication and relational skills who can work both independently and collegially to fill the full-time position of Technical Services Librarian. This is an exciting opportunity in theological librarianship for an entry-level or experienced professional. The University of St. Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary is a graduate level school of theology operated by the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago for the training and education of priests. Current enrollment is 220 students from 49 different dioceses with a faculty of 34. It is accredited by the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada (ATS). The Feehan Memorial Library supports the educational functions of the seminary with a collection of 180,000 volumes and over 400 periodical subscriptions, mostly in the areas of theology and philosophy. The staff currently consists of four full-time employees, two professional and two paraprofessional. There are plans for a major addition to the library building with groundbreaking expected within the next year.


*Position Summary:* All original and copy cataloging in a variety of formats and languages; completion of a retrospective conversion and reclassification project; overseeing the migration to an online public catalog; supervising paraprofessionals in technical services functions. Reports to the Library Director. Complete job description will be sent upon receipt of resume.

*Qualifications: Required:* ALA accredited master's degree in Library Science; training and/or experience with the technical services functions of an academic library; familiarity with AACR2, MARC, LCC, LCRI, LCSH, and OCLC PRISM;

strong computer skills and knowledge of emerging technologies. **Preferred:** Familiarity with the Roman Catholic tradition; a degree (or at least a significant educational experience) in theology, religious studies, or a related discipline; a basic reading knowledge of Spanish; a commitment to theological librarianship. **Helpful:** Reading knowledge of languages other than English, especially Polish, German, French, Italian, or Latin; administrative and supervisory skills and/or experience.

*Salary and Benefits:* Competitive salary, depending upon experience and qualifications, along with a comprehensive benefits package. Appointment date negotiable, but preferably around August 15, 2001.

*Application Information:* Send resume, cover letter, and three references to: Herman A. Peterson, Library Director, Feehan Memorial Library, University of St. Mary of the Lake, 1000 East Maple Avenue, Mundelein, IL 60060; Fax (847) 566-5229. Applications will be reviewed beginning July 23<sup>rd</sup> and continue until the position is filled. Visit our web site at <http://www.usml>. 📖



## METHODIST LIBRARIAN

**DREW UNIVERSITY LIBRARY** in Madison, NJ seeks a Methodist Librarian. The Librarian provides leadership for the extensive and world-renowned Wesley and Methodist collections of Drew University and the General Commission on Archives and History of The United Methodist Church (GCAH).

The Successful candidate will develop Methodist collections, promote their use, provide reference and research services, set goals and policies for the Methodist Library, supervise one full-time staff person and several student employees and participate in governance and strategic planning of the University Library. The Librarian will also serve as chief liaison to staff of the GCAH and its governing committees, cultivate donors, provide leadership for the University Library's special collections and archives. Reporting to The University Library Director s/he will be a member of the Library faculty.

The Methodist Librarian will hold an ALA accredited MLS (or equivalent degree) or subject relevant Ph.D and a commitment to completing the MLS. Subject expertise in Wesley and Methodist studies as demonstrated by an advanced academic degree is required. Strong service orientation along with a Ph.D and publications in relevant field, academic library experience, experience with special collections and/or archives, background using technology to advance library services are highly desirable.

Applications received by September 15, 2001 will receive full consideration; however the search will remain open until the position is filled. **Anticipated starting date is April 1, 2002. Please consult our library web page at <http://www.depts.drew.edu/lib> for full job ad, job description, and information about the Library.**

Please forward cover letter & CV to: **Ms. Lessie Culmer-Nier, Chair, Search Committee, Drew University Library, Madison, NJ 07940.**

The Library shares the University's commitment to maintaining a diverse faculty and student body and is an AA/EOE.

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