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The American Theological Library Association is a professional, non-profit association of librarians who specialize in theology and religious studies or who have an interest in the bibliography and literature of religion. In producing the *ATLA Newsletter,* the American Theological Library Association seeks to be a source of information to ATLA members about membership activities and job openings, as well as a forum for discussion on various issues of interest to members.

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President's Message

by Bill Hook
President, ATLA Board of Directors

Another successful ATLA Conference has come and gone. Another hectic and joyful time filled with excellent programs—too many to attend all I wanted to; wonderful colleagues—with not enough time to catch up with everyone; a beautiful setting and well managed arrangements! At the end of the week, I returned to Nashville both exhausted and reinvigorated—just as I've come to expect from our yearly gatherings.

The "business" we conducted at the conference, the revision of the by-laws concerning institutional membership, and the Town Meeting conversation about "core values"—are indicators of where the Association has been, and where we are going. Over the last four years we have seen an enormous improvement in the financial health of ATLA, and an impressive expansion in the availability of our products. Freed from the anxiety of pressing financial constraints, the Board has spent a good deal of effort over the last two years trying to formulate clear and coherent policies by which our Executive Director can plan for growth.

It has been extremely helpful for the Board's reflections that Joe Coalter, during his two terms as President, took the initiative to re-formulate the structure of the agendas by which the Board conducts its business. By organizing our agenda according to the Organizational Ends of the Association, he helped to steer the focus of the Board's energies on policy and the mission of the Association, and helped us learn to move away from the details of the business of the Association, which is the mandate and responsibility of the Executive Director.

Our discussion of "core values" in the Town Meeting was part of this on-going effort by the Board to chart a vision of where and how we hope the Association will grow. Growth and change are healthiest when well-grounded with strong roots. Reflecting on and articulating the core values that have been present in our Association's activities through the years will help the Board develop the foundation upon which our future development will rest.

In at least one respect, we have found core values to be those things that are so basic, so thoroughly assumed, that they can be difficult to actually name. As an example, in the committee's initial conversations about this we had come up with a number of possible core values, before we thought to identify the *preservation of the literature of theology* as one of these. This is something that has been so clearly a part of the history and collective work of ATLA that it surprises us when we take so long to name it as one of those things that make ATLA what it is. The prominence of the activities reflecting this value may wax and wane, and the nature of our institutional and individual involvements with these activities have changed over the years, but this has been a value sustained and reinforced over the years.

Another core value mentioned in both the Town Meeting and in the Board conversations, could be called *collegiality*. I have found, as many others have also commented, that the nature and quality of the annual conference at ATLA is relatively unique. Amidst the continuing education workshops, the Interest Group sessions, and other program features, there is a remarkable quality of community and support. While we represent a wide variety of theological perspectives, among the individual and institutional membership, as well as a wide spectrum of institutional size and resources, our interactions are typically focused much more on collaboration and our commonalities than on our differences.

As we look forward to new possibilities and growth, both individually as well as collectively, it is instructive to reflect upon the elements that have contributed to creating who we are now, and the values we want to shape who we will become. I hope and expect we will continue to have conversations about our core values and the Ends we seek as an Association, both within the Board and within the membership at large. &

Bill Hook
President

News of ATLA Members & Member Libraries

Chad Abel-Kops has had a second essay selected for publication. It will appear in the June issue of *Catholic Library World* and is titled, "Giving up milk for solid food: managing a theological library at Yale." The essay focuses on technological and physical changes at the **Yale Divinity School Library** as it enters the 21st century. Mr. Abel-Kops reflected on his experience as a student at Yale Divinity School (M.A.R., 1996) as well as using published documents from the School. 📖

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Brent A. Koehn joined the library staff at the **Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary** as Technical Services Librarian on June 8. He earned an MDiv. degree from AMBS in 1987, an MLS from Indiana University in 1989, and an MA in Linguistics from the University of Texas at Arlington in 1999. Brent worked in the AMBS Library during his student years and also taught elementary N.T. Greek. He was Technical Services Librarian at the Library of Bethany and Northern Baptist Seminaries from 1990 to 1992. His MA thesis is titled "Verb Morphology and Discourse Function in Hellenistic Greek Narrative Texts." 📖

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Armand Ternak began his duties as Director of Library Services at Hope International University on July 1, 2000. He came to Hope from Washington Bible College and Capital Bible Seminary in Lanham, MD, bringing with him many years of library leadership experience in Christian higher education. 📖

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Completing fourteen years' service as acquisitions assistant and secretary to the library staff, Katherine Kothe retired in June from **Krauth Memorial Library**.

Ms. Mae Green has assumed the secretarial and acquisitions duties, moving from her previous position in public services, where she serviced interlibrary loans, maintained serials files, and served as a circulation attendant.

Mr. Ronald Townsend, formerly employed part-time, began full-time service and has assumed responsibility for interlibrary loan, serials and circulation in addition to his former responsibilities.

Work is beginning toward renovation of the entrance rotunda of the library building. The design seeks to return some of the grandeur of the English Tudor architecture of the building, which was constructed in 1906. There have been two subsequent major reworkings of the building—in 1950 and again in 1974. Along with a restorative face lift, traffic patterns are being reworked in the multi-functional building, which also houses classrooms and seminary offices.

A security system is being installed, and the library portion of the building is being segregated from the remainder of the building. This involves repositioning and reconstruction of the circulation area and repositioning computers and other equipment. 📖

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Timothy D. Lincoln, director of the **Stitt Library** at **Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary**, has been awarded a grant from the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion (Crawfordsville, IN). Mr. Lincoln will use the funds to explore user training in three seminary libraries in Texas. He hopes to identify common practices and problem areas with a view towards improving the training that libraries provide to theological students and professors in the use of the tools of theological scholarship. 📖

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The William R. Hewlett Revocable Trust awarded a grant of one million dollars on April 26, 2000 to the **Graduate Theological Union**. The grant will be used to fund The Flora Lamson Hewlett Library Space and Technology Improvements, Phase One: the installation of compact moveable shelving

to accommodate the expanding collection, and space and technology improvements, including an electronic training facility and digital reading room.

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JoAnn Southards died on April 29, 2000 at the age of 56 after a long battle with leukemia. She is survived by her children, Andrea and Brian. JoAnn was periodicals coordinator at **St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary** in Boynton Beach, Florida, and had been on the library staff since 1982. A memorial service was celebrated for her at the seminary's main chapel on May 6, presided by the Seminary rector, Msgr. Pablo Navarro. &

Art Quinn, Library Director
St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary
Boynton Beach, Florida

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Dr. Bobbie E. Oliver, former **Memphis Theological Seminary** librarian, died May 20th at his home after a lengthy illness. Bobbie served the MTS Library as Administrative Librarian, 1980–1991; Assistant Administrative Librarian, 1991–1992; and as Circulation Librarian, 1993–94. He had battled progressively debilitating heart disease from 1989 until his death. He leaves his wife, Opal; daughter, Dianne; son, Donnie; and granddaughters, Christina and Paige. Memorial services were conducted at Blue Springs Presbyterian Church, Sparta, Tennessee, on May 23 and at Highland Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Memphis, on May 28. &

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.

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.
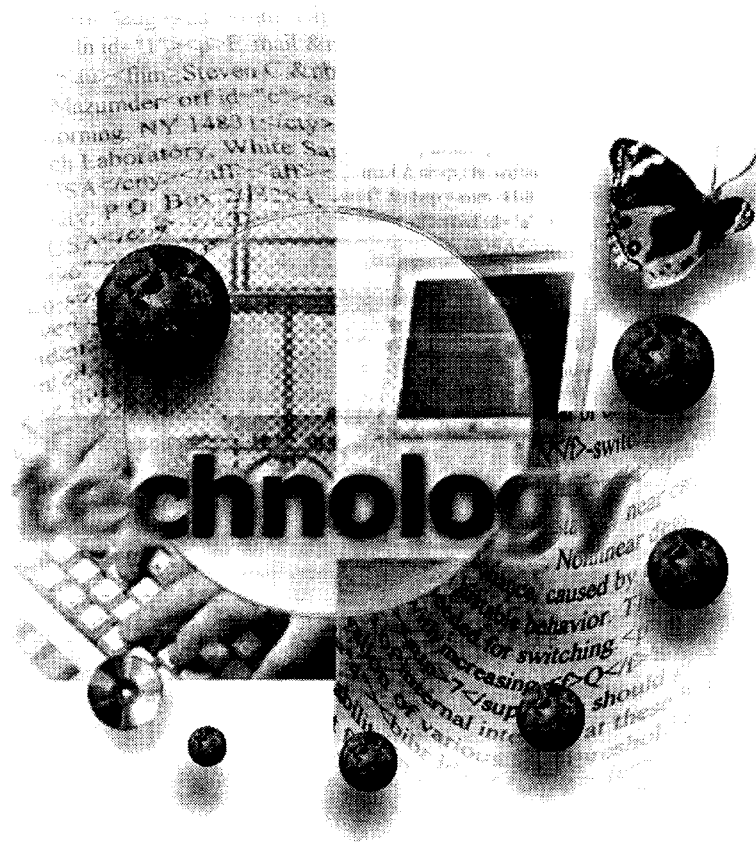
Announcements

Board of Directors Meets in Berkeley

The ATLA Board met for two half-day sessions before the Annual Conference and for one half-day session after the conference. Prior to the conference, the Board considered a draft of ATLA core values that had been prepared by members Steve Crocco, Melody Mazuk, and Bill Hook. The Board decided to take time during a Town Meeting to invite member contributions to the drafting of an ATLA core values statement. The Board advised the Executive Director to extend membership to the Bossey Institute of Geneva, Switzerland due to its relationship with the World Council of Churches, which is already an institutional member of ATLA and also because of the relationship of ATS to the Institute.

In the second pre-conference session, the Board elected its officers for the upcoming year: Bill Hook (President), Sharon Taylor (Vice-President) and Eileen Saner (Secretary). Dennis Norlin, Executive Director, reported on the ATLA Endowment Fund, a proposed ATLA member handbook to be mounted on the ATLA Web site, new ATLA staff, and the ATLAS digital serials project.

Karen Whittlesey reported on her efforts in the past year to increase the minority membership of ATLA. The Board discussed the ATLA Business Plan that Dennis had prepared, noting that more resources are being devoted to the research and development of ATLA products in order to remain competitive. Dennis described future plans for the *ATLA Religion Database,* including retrospective indexing, authority control, and a Web interface. Dennis reported that the ATLA archives have been taken to the Yale Divinity School and that the Archives Task Force will be giving direction to the preservation of ATLA records.

Bill Hook, new ATLA President, chaired the post-conference Board meeting. New Board members Mary Martin, Susan Sponberg, and Paul Stuehrenberg began their service. The Annual Conference Committee and the Education Committee joined the Board to evaluate the Conference. The Board approved a charge for a new committee, the Special Committee of the Association for International Collaboration. The charge is on page 13 of this issue of the *Newsletter* and will also be published on the ATLA Web site.

The next Board meeting will be January 19 and 20, 2001 at ATLA Headquarters. ATLA members may ask the Secretary for the full minutes of the Board meetings. 📖

Eileen K. Saner
Secretary

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ATLA 2001: A Research Odyssey

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 2001 ATLA conference. The conference will be hosted by The Divinity School at Duke University in Durham, NC, June 20–23, 2001. 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 research (interpreted broadly) in all ATLA libraries. We particularly invite persons to resubmit proposals that were submitted beyond the deadline for the 2000 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 October 1, 2000.

Proposals should be submitted to:

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Call for Ideas

The Education Committee is charged with planning and coordinating the educational opportuni-

ties at the annual conference, specifically the pre-conference workshops and the roundtables. We need your input! While the previous conference is still relatively fresh in your minds, we urge you to contact any of the members of the committee (listed below) to give us your ideas for the next conference. Any input from you, the members of ATLA, is greatly appreciated.

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Regional Continuing Education Grants Awarded

The ATLA Professional Development Committee reviewed requests from regional consortia for supporting regional continuing education programs and is pleased to announce the following awards for 1999/2000:

- Chicago Area Theological Library Association—$300 for "Copyright Issues for Librarians"
- Minnesota Theological Library Association—$750 for "Religion, Reference Service and the Public: Strengthening Partnerships Between Theological and Public Librarians"
- Southwest Area Theological Library Association—$750 for "Renovating or Building Library Facilities"

Reports from the regional groups on their programs will appear in future issues of the *ATLA Newsletter.* 📖

Roberta A. Schaafsma, Chair
Valerie Hotchkiss
Jeff Siemon
David Stewart

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August 2000 Issue of the
ATLA Religion Database on CD-ROM

Beginning with the August 2000 issue of the *ATLA Religion Database on CD-ROM,* ATLA will consider the new Windows application as the standard version of the database on CD-ROM. ATLA and IHS Enterprise Solutions Group (formerly NexData Solutions, Inc.) have worked together to implement improvements—derived from comments received from ATLA subscribers during an eight-week beta testing period in the Fall of 1999—to this new Windows application. These enhancements to the installation, administrative capabilities, and interface are substantial and ATLA is confident that subscribers will find the resulting application to be a major improvement over the current Windows and DOS applications. In addition to receiving this new Windows application, subscribers who wish to continue using the current DOS application in August 2000 may request and receive that version of the application from ATLA for no extra charge. To request the August 2000 DOS application in addi-

tion to the standard new Windows application, please contact Melody de Catur via e-mail (mdecatur@atla.com) or by toll-free telephone (1-888-665-2852). 📖

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Renovated and Automated

In a Grand Opening and Renaming Ceremony on March 24, 2000, the library of Hope International University was renamed as the Hugh and Hazel Darling Library for its main benefactor of a two-year renovation project. With a generous grant from the Hugh and Hazel Darling Foundation, the much-needed renovation was made possible, increasing the floor space of the library by approximately 4500 square feet. Additionally, together with grants from the David L. Stamps Foundation and the California State Library, the library purchased its first automation system (Endeavor) in July 1999. Access their catalog at www://voyager.hiu.edu. 📖

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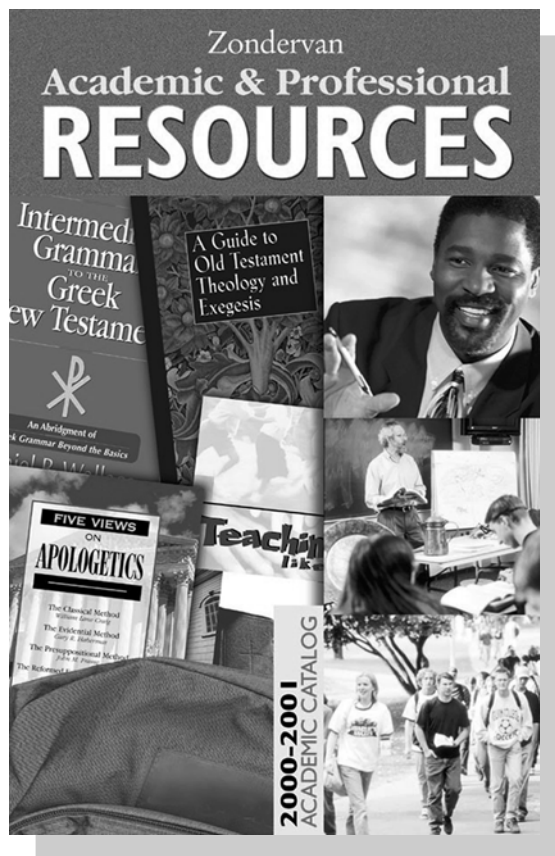
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Conference News & Information

2000 Conference

The ATLA Annual Conference is the occasion for you, the ATLA members, to meet with your colleagues in person, to learn something you didn't know before, and to celebrate the work that you do as librarians, teachers, and students. As staff, we are honored to play a part in helping that all come together for you year after year.

This year in Berkeley, with beautiful San Francisco Bay as backdrop, 301 people attended the ATLA Annual Conference at the Graduate Theological Union. The oppressive—and unusual—100-degree temperatures of the week before gave way to typical pleasant days and evenings in which to enjoy the conference and the Berkeley/San Francisco/Oakland ambience, renew friendships with colleagues, and meet new and student members of the Association.

There were 173 in attendance at the seven Wednesday preconference workshops (some people took both a morning and an afternoon session), and a comparable number at the closing banquet. In between the Wednesday night opening reception at the GTU Library and the Saturday night closing banquet at St. Patrick's Seminary in Menlo Park, participants attended fourteen roundtables, nine interest group sessions, two plenary addresses, five papers and presentations, three worship services, ten denominational group meetings, two business meetings, two town meetings, and several task force and committee meetings! Exhibits were also part of the conference, with twenty-seven publishers and organizations displaying their products and services. Two exhibitors helped underwrite the costs of the shuttle bus and the opening reception for the exhibits.

As of this writing we have received more than a hundred evaluations of this conference, with comments on everything from roundtable sessions and plenary addresses to transportation and meals. While we strive to present the best conference possible, not everyone will find all aspects outstandingly wonderful, but nearly all the comments on the evaluations had something positive to say. I would like to share a few with you—comments that re-affirm the three basic goals of our conference: collegiality, profes-

sional development, and celebration.

Before doing so, however, I want to thank once again those member committees without whom this conference would not have happened:

Annual Conference Committee, chaired by Christine Wenderoth; members: Roger Loyd, Mary Martin, and Kris Veldheer.

Education Committee, chaired by Chris Schwartz; members: Marti Alt, Ann Hotta, Saundra Lipton, and Herman Peterson.

Local Host Committee, chaired by Kris Veldheer; members: Barbara Dabney, Bonnie Hardwick, Ann Hotta, and Cecil White.

Now here are a few selected comments about the conference overall:

"I truly enjoyed the whole conference. The site was beautiful! I left with a full head of information and looking forward to next year's conference."

"One of the best conferences in my memory. The content was meaty and thought-provoking. The presenters were knowledgeable and prepared."

"I have come to have high expectations for ATLA conference. The conference met those expectations."

I go to a number of conferences throughout the year, some big and some little, but ATLA is always the highlight of my year."

"The setting in Berkeley was great. It's always good to be together with colleagues from other schools at these conferences. The fellowship is a prime benefit. Program was stimulating & enjoyable."

"Again, the conference proved a good opportunity to meet new folks, seek out opportunities for collaboration, and renew friendships."

So, let's get ready for ATLA Annual Conference 2001 at Duke! 📖

Karen L. Whittlesey
Director of Member Services

Conference 2000 Photos

ATLA staff member Karl Frantz speaks with
friends of the GTU Library

Alice Runis & Debbie Bradshaw

Carrie Hackney with Dennis Norlin

Musician from the Murasaki Ensemble

Ann Hotta

Asian Buffet

Kris Veldheer

Anita Schuneman, Lenise & Marshall Eidson

New ATLA President Bill Hook (Right) of Vanderbilt
University visits with outgoing President Joe Coalter of
Louisville Presbyterian Seminary and ATLA Secretary
Eileen Saner of Eastern Mennonite Biblical Seminary

Exhibits Opening & Reception

New Committee

Special Committee of the Association for International Collaboration

During its June meeting in Berkeley, the ATLA Board of Directors voted to establish a new committee devoted to fostering international collaboration. This committee is a Special Committee, an option authorized in our bylaws when it is determined that a particular topic or issue needs special attention.

Charles Willard has accepted the position of Chair of the committee, and final composition of the committee should be completed by September. Here is the Board resolution authorizing and structuring this committee:

Special Committee of the Association for International Collaboration
Adopted by the ATLA Board of Directors
June, 2000

Committee Charge

The **ATLA Special Committee of the Association for International Collaboration** will have the following responsibilities: (1) coordinate the Association's activities regarding international theological librarianship, (2) support the efforts of individual libraries and librarians to participate in international theological librarianship activities, (3) serve in a liaison capacity with international theological library associations, including but not limited to BETH (Europe), LATIN (Central and South America), and ANZTLA (Australia and New Zealand), and (4) plan ATLA conference activities related to international theological librarianship.

Explanation of the Charge

The Committee's responsibility to coordinate the Association's activities regarding international theological librarianship and to support individual libraries' and librarians' participation in those activities will include (1) formulating and forwarding to the ATLA Board of Directors policy recommendations to guide ATLA's international involvement, (2) fostering collaboration of mutual benefit with theological libraries, librarians, and library associations across the globe such as cooperative efforts to

document, preserve, and improve access to the theological literature of world Christianity, (3) identifying specific needs of libraries abroad—e.g., expertise, training, materials, and equipment—that ATLA as an association or its individual and institutional members could address, (4) investigating the most effective means that the Association or its libraries and librarians could employ to meet the needs identified above, and (5) identifying ways that ATLA as an association might encourage the administrations of member institutions to facilitate participation in the programs of international collaboration sponsored by ATLA.

The Committee's responsibility to serve in a liaison capacity with international theological library associations will include (1) initiating and monitoring communications with such associations, (2) gathering information about the meetings and projects of these associations, (3) providing reports to the ATLA Board and membership about international associations through official Board communications, the *Newsletter,* and Web site articles, (4) contributing information about ATLA's international interests and involvement to these associations' newsletters and publications, and (5) arranging for appropriate and effective ATLA representation at international meetings of these associations.

The Committee's responsibility to plan ATLA Conference activities related to international theological librarianship will include (1) serving as official hosts for international visitors at ATLA's Annual Conference, e.g., providing hospitality, communication, and support, and (2) organizing, promoting, and monitoring Conference programs related to international relations.

Membership of the Special Committee

The membership of this Special Committee shall include at least one individual member of ATLA who has served no less than one month in a library outside the United States and Canada in the last three years. In addition, a member of the ATLA Board of Directors will be appointed by the ATLA President to serve as liaison between this Special Committee and the Board. Other committee appointments will be made by the Executive Director as described in ATLA Bylaw 7.3. 📖

Bylaws Change

Revision of ATLA Bylaw Article 1. Membership
Adopted at June 25, 2000 at the
ATLA Annual Conference

After considerable discussion at its first Business Meeting, including the adoption of an amendment to include language in the footnote for 1.2 that would provide for alternative accrediting agencies for Canadian institutions, the membership of ATLA passed changes in the bylaws that would more clearly define institutional membership and also establish a new category of affiliate member.

The changes adopted were developed by the ATLA Board of Directors during the past year in response to a growing number of institutional membership applications that didn't clearly fit the classes of membership adopted in 1991. The new definitions take effect immediately, and will provide clearer guidelines for responding to applications for institutional membership.

The significant changes mean:

- A new category—Affiliate Member—for organizations that do not meet our institutional membership requirements
- A clearer definition of what we mean by "accredited" organization

The entire bylaw is reproduced here with the adopted changes highlighted in **bold** and **bracketed** [ ]:

1.1 *Classes of Membership.* The Association shall have [**five (5)**] classes of membership: institutional, individual, student, honorary [**and affiliate**].

1.2 *Institutional Members.* Libraries of institutions that [wish to support the mission and purposes of the Association shall be eligible to apply for institutional membership if they meet one of the following criteria]:

a.   Institutions holding [**accredited**] membership in the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada;
b.   [**Institutions accredited regionally***] that are engaged in theological education or religious

studies primarily beyond the undergraduate level;
c.   [**Regionally**] accredited* universities with graduate religious studies programs that also have a librarian or subject bibliographer in the area of religion;
d.   [**Non-degree granting**] organizations maintaining collections primarily of theological, religious, or ecclesiastical research material.

[Applications for Institutional Membership from institutions that do not fit into one of these four categories may be referred to the Board of Directors, which may approve membership status in cases where these criteria are judged by the Board to not be applicable.]

Institutional members are entitled to attend meetings of the Association, to vote in Association voting matters, to participate in Association programs, and to receive those publications of the Association that are distributed to the membership. An institutional member may send one (1) official delegate to meetings of the Association to represent its interests in the affairs of the Association and to cast its vote in Association voting matters, and may send other representatives as desired. An institutional member shall designate its official delegate in writing to the Association as needed.

1.3 *Individual Members.* Any person who is engaged in professional library or bibliographic work in theological or religious fields, or who has an interest in the literature of religion, theological librarianship, and the purposes and work of the Association shall be eligible to apply for individual membership in the Association. Individual members are entitled to attend meetings of the Association, to vote in Association voting matters, to serve

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Note: [* Regional Accreditation agencies referred to in clauses b and c are: **Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools (MSA); New England Association of Schools and Colleges Commission on Institutions of Higher Education (NEASC-CIHE); North Central Association of Colleges and Schools** Commission on Institutions of Higher Education (NCA); **Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges** Commission on Colleges; **Southern Association of Colleges and Schools** Commission on Colleges (SACS); **Western Association of Schools and Colleges Accrediting Commission for Senior Colleges and Universities (WASC-Sr.), or equivalent agencies for Canadian institutions.**]

as directors or as members or chairpersons of the Associations committees or interest groups, and to receive those publications of the Association that are distributed to the membership.

1.4 *Student Members.* Any student enrolled in a graduate library school program or a graduate theological or religious studies program who is carrying a half-time class load or greater shall be eligible to apply for student membership in the Association. A person engaged in full-time employment in a library or elsewhere shall not be eligible to apply for student membership in the Association. Student members are entitled to attend meetings of the Association, to be members of interest groups, and to receive those publications of the Association that are distributed to the membership, but are not entitled to vote.

1.5 *Honorary Members.* Any person who has made an outstanding contribution to the advancement of the work of the Association may be nominated by the Board of directors and be elected an honorary member of the Association by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership at any annual meeting of the Association. Honorary membership shall be for life. Honorary members are entitled to attend meetings of the Association, and to receive those publications of the Association that are distributed to the membership, [**to be members of interest groups,**] but are not entitled to vote. Honorary Members shall be exempt from payment of dues.

[1.6 Affiliate Members. Organizations that do not qualify for regular institutional Association membership, but are supportive of theological librarianship and the purposes and work of the Association shall be eligible to apply for affiliate membership in the Association. Affiliate members are eligible for a number of benefits and product discounts available to institutional members, but do not participate in the Library Materials Exchange program, receive the Theology Cataloging Bulletin, or the Annual Proceedings. Affiliate members are not eligible to appoint institutional representatives to the annual meeting, and are not entitled to vote. Dues for affiliate membership will be equal to the lowest established amount for full institutional members.]

[**1.7**] Approval. The Board of directors shall establish how applications for membership are approved and how institutions and individuals are received into membership in the Association.

[**1.8**] *Dues.* The Board of directors shall establish the annual dues for [**individual, student, institutional and affiliate members**] of the Association, subject to the ratification of the members at the next following annual or special meeting of the Association. Individual members with at least ten (10) years of continuous membership in the Association who maintain [**their individual**] membership in the Association until retirement and who retire from employment shall be exempt from payment of dues.

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Checklist of Reference Tools

A Checklist of Reference Tools of Interest to Theological Librarians, 1998–1999
Compiled by Seth Kasten

This bibliography is the fifteenth annual supplement to the "Checklist" which appeared in the February 18, 1984 issue of the *ATLA Newsletter.* Its entries were selected from 1998 and 1999 imprints acquired by Union Theological Seminary, New York, during the 1999 calendar year. (Several pre-1998 imprints omitted from previous checklists are included in an "Addenda" section following the main sequence of this year's lists.)

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Dictionary of biblical interpretation / John H. Hayes, general editor.— Nashville: Abingdon, c1999. [2 v.]

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. . . [et al.]; translator and English-language editor, Geoffrey W. Bromiley; statistical editor, David B. Barrett; foreword, Jaroslav Pelikan.— Grand Rapids, Mich.: Wm. B. Eerdmans; Leiden, Netherlands: Brill, 1999. [Volume 1. A–D.]

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Get me to the church online: Internet resources for the ecumenical church.—Kelowna, B.C., Canada: Wood Lake Books; Inver Grove Heights, Minn.: Logos Productions, 1998.

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McIver, Tom, 1951– *The end of the world: an annotated bibliography* / by Tom McIver.—Jefferson, NC: McFarland, c1999.

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Weima, Jeffrey A. D. *An annotated bibliography of 1 and 2 Thessalonians* / by Jeffrey A. D. Weima and Stanley E. Porter.—Leiden; Boston: Brill, 1998. (New Testament tools and studies, ISSN 0077-8842; v. 26)

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Wolf, Robert G. *Analytic philosophy of religion: a bibliography, 1940–1996* / Robert G. Wolf.—Bowling Green, OH: Philosophy Documentation Center, c1998.

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Religions in the UK: a multi-faith directory / edited by Paul Weller.—New [2nd] ed. / researched by Eileen Fry & Paul Weller.—Derby [England]: University of Derby; London: In association with the InterFaith Network for the United Kingdom, c1997. 📖

Preservation News

ATLA Hires Preservation Assistant for NEH Microfilming Grant

ATLA's Preservation Department has hired Amber Creger, the new Preservation Assistant, to maintain a two-year microfilming project made possible through a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH).

Amber has a masters in photography from New York University, a minor in French from the University of Illinois, and a BFA in painting from Michigan State University. She has worked at Fales Special Collection Library in New York in the archives, creating finding aids; and she is planning on attending school to get her M.L.S.

The NEH serials project will microfilm 177 selected journals that are representative of non-Christian, missionary, and syncretistic religious journals published between 1850 and 1950. 📖

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Methodist Episcopal Church (Arrowsic, Me.). Arrowsic Charge. Quarterly conference records for Arrowsic Charge. Manuscript of quarterly conferences for Arrowsic, Maine. Some conferences include Georgetown, Westport and Woolwich. **Order no.: 2000-B001**, 1 reel (1852–1941).

Handbuch für Lehrer beim Unterricht nach Luthers kleinem Katechismus: besonderes bei dem Gebrauch des 1850 erschienenen Mecklenburg-Strelitzischen Landes-Katechismus. By Karl Friedrich Ludwig Arndt. Neustrelitz: G. Barnewitz, 1853. **Order no.: 2000-B002**, 1 reel.

Das Leben Dr. Johann Gerhard's für christliche Leser insgemein. By Carl Julius Böttcher. Leipzig: J. Nauman, 1858. Biography of the Lutheran theologian Johann Gerhard, 1582–1737. **Order no.: 2000-B003**, 1 reel.

Four brochures on religion in Germany, 1933–1945! (These four titles are filmed on one microfilm reel, and are available for the price of one.)
1. **Wider das neue Heidentum.** By Heinrich Stallmann. Zwickau: J. Hermann, 19uu. **Order no. 2000-B004.**
2. **Ende des "Protestantismus"?** By Wilhelm Stählin. Kassel: Der Neuwerk-Verlag, [ca. 1935]. **Order no. 2000-B005**.
3. **Hat Ludendorff recht?** By Hans Freiherr von Soden. Marburg: Volkmissionarisches Amt des Kirchenkreises Marburg, [ca. 193–?]. On teachings of Erich Ludendorff, 1865–1937. **Order no. 2000-B006**.
4. **Evangelische Wahrheit! : ein Wort zu Alfred Rosenbergs Schrift "Protestantische Rompilger."** By Walter Künneth. Berlin: Wichern Verlag, 1937. **Order no.: 2000-B007**.

Carl Philipp Emanuel und Wilhelm Friedemann Bach und deren Brüder. By C.H. Bitter. Berlin: W. Müller, 1868. The biography of German composer Carl Philipp Emanuel Bach, 1714–1788. **Order no.: 2000-B008**, 1 reel (vol. 1 only).

Saintly workers: five Lenten lectures delivered in St. Andrew's, Holborn, March and April, 1878. By William Frederic Farrar. **Order no. 2000-B009**, 1 reel.

Aus meiner Jugendzeit. By Traugott Hahn. Stuttgart: Chr. Belser, 1921. Autobiography of the Lutheran evangelist Traugott Hahn, 1848–1939. **Order no.: 2000-B010**, 1 reel. 📖

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Whole earth newsletter. Published by the United Church Board for World Ministries. **Order no.: S0860**, currently 2 reels (1970–1997). 📖

ATLANTIS Reference Reviews

May Reference Review

ITER: Gateway to the Middle Ages and Renaissance.

For many theological libraries the *ATLA Religion Database* is probably one of their flagship bibliographic resources. With its coverage of over 1,400 journals in thirty-four languages and a database of over 350,000 article citations, an equal number of book review citations, and 150,000 book citations, this database deserves a central place in any theological library.

ITER, a relative newcomer to the field of indexes, deserves serious consideration as an easily affordable, interesting, additional resource for theological libraries. *ITER* is a non-profit database created co-operatively by the Renaissance Society of America, the Centre for Reformation and Renaissance Studies of Victoria University (at the University of Toronto), the Arizona Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies at Arizona State University (Tempe), and the Faculty of Information Studies and the John P. Robarts Library (both at the University of Toronto). Work on the project began in the middle 1990s, and access to the full database began in 1998. (*ITER*'s Web site can be found at http://iter.library.utoronto.ca/iter/.)

Currently the database consists of approximately 230,000 articles and reviews from a selection of over 400 medieval and renaissance journal titles. This corresponds to the historical time period from 400 to 1700. The database is updated daily and is augmented annually by approximately 60,000 new records. At a later date another 46,000 records encompassing monographs, material published in monographs, and collected essays will be added to this database.

A comparison of the list of journals in *ITER* and the *ATLA Religion Database* shows that there is virtually no overlap between the two. Of the eighty-eight journals in *ITER*'s list of journal titles from A-H, only five are also found in the *ATLA Religion Database*. Interestingly the *Catholic Historical Review, Études grégoriennes* and *Jahrbuch für Liturgik und Hymnologie,* all of which would be likely candidates for the *ATLA Religion Database* are not indexed there, but are covered by *ITER*.

To assess *ITER*'s potential as a source of information for theological libraries, a rough list was compiled of some major and potentially less well-known persons in the areas of church history, church music, religious art, as well as some concepts from liturgy and church practices, such as sacraments, baptism, communion, confession, absolution. Whereas major church reformers are much more strongly represented in the *ATLA Religion Database* than *ITER* (Luther: 5154 vs 354; Zwingli 1447 vs 172; Calvin 2438 vs 29; Hus 102 vs 15), the coverage of composers who are often associated with church music is often substantially higher in *ITER* than in the *ATLA Religion Database* (William Byrd 14 vs 3; John Taverner 14 vs 1; Palestrina 60 vs 17; Orlando Gibbons 12 vs 2). Major persons from pre- and post-Reformation Roman Catholic church history, such as Johannes Scotus (1170 vs 64), Anselm of Canterbury (471 vs 64), Augustine (1170 vs 36), and a major event such as the Crusades (635 vs 43) are more strongly represented in the *ATLA Religion Database* than in *ITER*, but artists whom one often associates with Christian themes (e.g. Giotto, Caravaggio, or Michelangelo) frequently retrieve approximately equal numbers of hits in both databases and in a few instances substantially more in *ITER*. Terms such as "communion," "baptism," "sacraments," and "Lord's Supper" all retrieve somewhere between 10 and 35 hits in *ITER*.

Name authority control is a problem that bedevils many indexes, and regrettably the *ATLA Religion Database* is no exception. William Byrd is both "Byrd, William 1542–1623" and "Byrd, William 1542 or 3–1623"; John Scotus is variously "Erigena, Joannes Scotus," "Erigena, Johannes Scotus" and "Erigena, Johannes Scotus, 810–877. Josquin is both "Josquin des Pres" and "Josquin des Prez"; one finds both "Sergius of Radonezh" and "Sergius of Radonezeh." Nevertheless, there is in the *ATLA Religion Database* a basic form of name authority control and a more or less consistent pattern of adding personal names, corporate names, places and events as subjects, to augment the occurrence of these words in the titles of the articles. At the moment, *ITER* is not able to offer name authority control and, because there is at present no truncation symbol, this reviewer had to search under "Peasant War," "Peasants War," "Peasant Wars," "Peasants Wars," "Peasants Rebellion," and "Bauernkrieg" to try to determine the number of articles that deal with this phenomenon. Although small portions of the articles also contain subject fields (often four or five entries per bibliographic record), the majority of the articles contain none. The user must rely quite heavily on keyword searching to retrieve relevant articles. The database provider explained that subject terms are being applied to articles published since 1990, with the hope that this can be continued back to the 1980s, 1970s, and earlier. A new interface is currently under construction that will support useful features such as truncation or wildcard searching, limiting by publication date and time period, name authority control using Library of Congress Name Authorities, and subject authority control using Library of Congress Subject Headings.

Names that contain diacritics, such as Thomas Müntzer, pose particular problems for *ITER*. Although the twenty-eight articles dealing with the Peasants War frequently mention Müntzer, this reviewer had difficulty retrieving articles about him in a personal name search. "Muntzer"retrieves no entries, but a total of eleven entries can be found using variants such as "Muentzer" "Munzer" or "Muenzer." This is another area that the *ITER* staff hopes to address.

Depending on the search interface that is used, the *ATLA Religion Database* offers quite sophisticated Boolean searching capabilities, as well as the option of limiting by language, year of publication, and document type, among other things. *ITER* has a limited, though functional equivalent to this. The basic search screen offers a single search "box," together with a drop down list beside it of search options (Keyword, Author, Title, Subject, etc.). There is also a more advanced search screen that offers two boxes, but specifies that the two must be connected by "and." This does allow the user to search on a desired field and limit the results by a number of characteristics, such as language, year of publication, document type. To achieve proper Boolean searching, one must use the "History" function, together with the "Your combination" option, where one can create searches such as "#4 and #8" or "#3 or #6." More sophisticated Boolean searching and nesting are also possible using the "History" function. There does not seem to be a list of all of the possible document types, but this reviewer noted that there are both "review articles" and "book reviews," although the latter term does not appear when the records are displayed, even in the full display form. The database provider explained that there are six publication types and that book reviews will eventually be removed and listed separately. As one would expect with an Internet-based database, one can mark individual items and create shorter lists that can be printed, saved to disk, or e-mailed.

ITER is priced on a sliding scale, from $150 to $600 (U.S.), based on an institution's FTE figures. There is a similar sliding scale for public libraries, and a flat fee of $30 (U.S.) for personal subscribers. When one considers what a library must pay for a license for one to eight simultaneous users for the *ATLA Religion Database*, and the fact that the *ITER* prices are for an unlimited site license, these subscription prices are very attractive!

In conclusion, although *ITER* may lack some of the ease of search capabilities that many of the interfaces for the *ATLA Religion Database* offer, and at the moment is somewhat weak in the areas of subject indexing and name authority control, its coverage of not only the "secular" aspects of medieval and renaissance history, but also their "religious" aspects, make this database a highly affordable, very scholarly supplement for academic libraries that may wish to augment the *ATLA Religion Database* with another one that covers articles (and in the near future, monographs and essays) dealing with 1300

years of European history. Given the very small degree of overlap between the journals covered in these two sources, and *ITER*'s strong coverage of European scholarship in languages such as English, French, German, Italian, and Spanish, its coverage of religious or theological topics will almost certainly yield journal articles that would not be found using the *ATLA Religion Database*. 📖

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June Reference Review

Anderson, Gerald H. ed. *Biographical Dictionary of Christian Missions.* Paperback Edition. Grand Rapids, MI: W. B. Eerdmans, 1998.

Biographical Dictionary of Christian Missions appears to be the only reference work published in the last thirty years which is devoted to missions biography and not specific to any particular denomination. Most reference works dealing with missions focus on theological, rather than biographical, aspects. Most of the reference works that deal with the biographical aspects focus on the members of a particular denomination. In this way, *Biographical Dictionary of Christian Missions* is unique.

The scope of this work is refreshingly inclusive. Anderson has attempted to include persons from all major denominations. He also endeavors to include women and non-western persons, though this effort is often hindered by a lack of historical data. Anderson also goes beyond missionaries to include entries for important missions advocates and missiologists. For example, Pope Clement XI is included for his support of missions.

The work is a single volume containing approximately 2,400 short articles, usually two or three paragraphs long, though some articles can reach six or more paragraphs in length. Each article is signed and includes a short bibliography. Most articles are clearly and actively written. The focus of each article is the contribution of its subject to Christian missions. Little else is given other than the person's dates, nationality, and denominational affiliation. In terms

of article depth, the work is more of a dictionary than an encyclopedia, as indicated in the title. Though longer articles would be possible with a multi-volume format, the single volume is appropriate in terms of cost and ease of use.

Accessibility is improved by appropriate "see" references for name variations. "See also" references are not included, but their purpose is more elegantly accomplished by the index and appendices.

The index is thorough and seems to have well-defined criteria for inclusion. It includes main entries in bold, as well as other persons, geographical places, denominational bodies, religious societies, and missions organizations that are mentioned in the text. The main index improves the accessibility of the work.

The appendices include a rather arbitrary list of entries by time period, plus lists of women, lists of martyrs, entries by geographical area of service, and entries by denominational affiliation. Some of these appendices seem a bit excessive, but they might prove helpful on occasion.

This book will require extra preservation. It is such a large paperback that one might consider binding or some other form of reinforcement. Also, there is no note on the title page or the verso to indicate that it is printed on acid-free paper.

Biographical Dictionary of Christian Missions is a unique and effective quick-reference tool for missions biography. Because of the bibliographies, it can be a good starting point for further research. The work is an appropriate tool for any theological reference collection. Because it is a highly accessible work, it may also find a place in general academic and public libraries. 📖

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July Reference Review

Van Scott, Miriam. *Encyclopedia of Heaven.* New York: St. Martin's Press, 1998.
_____. *Encyclopedia of Hell.* New York: St. Martin's Press, 1998.

Van Scott has compiled these two complementary volumes in order to "explain the origins of" and "examine the impact of" various concepts relating to the afterlife and the underworld. Tidbits from the realms of "myth, religion, literature, visions, theater, art, music, film, television, and pop culture" are presented in 273 pages of heaven and 301 pages of hell. The primary references are from Judeo-Christian traditions and US popular culture.

The author (who has also contributed articles on current events for general interest periodicals such as *Good Housekeeping*) succeeds in her goal of presenting an extensive collection of pop-culture references to heaven and hell. She writes of Anne Rice, *Saturday Night Live,* music videos, and *Tales from the Crypt.* This is the book's greatest strength and weakness. With pop culture as the encyclopedias' focus, Van Scott leaves little room for other aspects of the topics at hand.

The realms of art, myth, religion, and literature are indeed represented, yet in many cases are not given comparable coverage. *Beetlejuice* merits over a page (Handel's *Messiah* gets a half-page); even David Letterman is accorded a half-page (the prophet Muhammad, two paragraphs); *Twilight Zone Magazine* warrants almost three full pages of text, while *Summa Theologica* is given its full treatment in under a half-page.

Textual inconsistencies are found as well. Although the film *Ghost* is thoroughly explored in both volumes, there is only a brief entry on the spirit world, which is defined as "the blessed realm of the dead, a realm of tranquillity where human souls continue to enjoy a peaceful existence." The *Hell* volume contains no entries on Wicca, sorcery, or (surprisingly) *Buffy the Vampire Slayer.* There are separate entries (without cross-references) on "cartoons" and "animated cartoons" in the *Heaven* volume; *Hell* only has the "animated cartoons." The film *Amityville 3* is included, without its precursors.

These books do have value for those with passing interests in pop culture and religion. The casual browser can learn that the Swedish visionary philosopher Emanuel Swedenborg is responsible for the popular myth of humans becoming angels after death; that the Japanese Jigoku consists of "eight cold and eight hot hells"; or that "Gnostic faith rendered the crucifixion and resurrection of Christ irrelevant, since his very incarnation released souls from hell."

However, the browser is limited by the lack of an index, and must depend upon the alphabetical entries, which all too often are oddly arranged ("merry hell," "last judgment art," "gift novelties," etc.).

These works merit consideration for larger public libraries, as well as for special collections in popular culture. Patrons in academic libraries might be more effectively served with Eliade's *Encyclopedia of Religion* and van der Toorn's *Dictionary of Deities and Demons in the Bible.* 📖

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"Naming" Internet Resources: Or, More Acronyms and Initials Explained

We are all familiar with URLs, or "Uniform Resource Locators," those elongated strings of alphanumeric jumble that serve as the "addresses" of documents and services on the Internet. We are also becoming entirely too familiar with their shortcomings. They are difficult for even expert users to parse and understand. All too often, the URL for a document you want is impossible to remember, difficult to key in accurately, and has a lamentable tendency to change without warning. Surely, someone can make this simpler and more reliable.

IETF

"Someone" is indeed hard at work trying to improve mechanisms for accessing and referring to Internet resources. The Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF, see http://www.ietf.org) is the large, diffuse group of concerned technologists who do most of the technical development work on Internet matters. The IETF is organized into various working groups that do the actual work. IETF is an open, international and voluntary community of concerned network users. Therefore, the implementation of any of IETF's proposals depends on consensus. Other organizations may also promote conventions and practices that meet their specific needs. As long as these fit within the overall framework of IETF conventions, they are regarded as compatible with the Internet.

URIs

IETF began developing pointers for Internet resources at a high level of abstraction: Uniform Resource Identifiers (URIs). The task of the URI Working Group was declared complete in 1995. See http://www.ics.uci.edu/pub/ietf/uri for an informative review of the URI Working Group's output. The working group defined two complimentary types of URIs, URLs and Uniform Resource Names (URNs). URLs identify resources by their location on the Internet, rather like your postal address identifies the place you receive your mail. The URL has no intrinsic connection to the content of a resource, and the same content may exist at different locations on the network and therefore have more than one URLs. URLs are not intended to be permanent identifiers. They change as resources are moved from one networked storage device to another.

URNs

A URN, on the other hand, should uniquely and permanently identify a specific resource. A given resource should always have a single URN even if it has multiple URLs. While the URL for a given resource may change, the URN will persist. URNs should be more compact than URLs since they do not have to specify a full path to a specific location. In order to operate, URNs must be linked to actual Internet locations by a *resolution* service, rather like a guide to shelving locations connects a call number with the physical location of a book. A URN may *be* a URL (see PURLs below), but it does not have to be. URLs proved easier to specify than URNs, in part, because they are based on the conventions of earlier network technologies such as Telnet and FTP. URNs became more important with the development of the Worldwide Web and the proliferation of Internet documents and services.

The URN Working Group has defined a schema and a structure for URNs. Every URN exists within a specific context called the "Namespace." Each URN namespace is assigned a "Namespace Identifier" (NID). Within the namespace, the rules for a properly formed URN may be very rigid, but the general schema of URNs allows for many different approaches to identification, providing the identifiers are unique within their namespace. This is easiest to understand when one realizes that existing resource identifiers such as ISBN, ISSN and SUDOCS numbers make perfectly good URNs. It should also be clear that a given resource may have more than one URN so long as the URNs are in different namespaces, just as a book may have an ISBN and a Library of Congress Card Number. URNs are not meant to be more mnemonic, only more compact and persistent than URLs. Detailed information on URNs is located at http://www.ietf.org/html.charters/urn-charter.html.

PURLs

OCLC has developed one form of URN that they call "Persistent URL" or PURL. A PURL is a URL that points not to the resource itself but to a

resolution service that provides the actual URL of the target back to the browser so that it can complete the connection. PURLs take advantage of the *redirection* service that is a standard feature of the HTTP protocol. Since the PURL approach works with established Internet protocols, it can be implemented quickly and inexpensively even on very modest server platforms.

To use PURL, content providers register as PURL users on a PURL server. Once registered, PURL users can create top-level domains and subdomains for identifying and organizing their content. (Do not confuse these with Internet domains.) For example, to create PURLs for digital copies of D.Min. projects submitted at Perkins School of Theology, I would use a top-level domain for SMU. Then I would create a domain for Theology and possibly a domain for each project, using a regular naming convention such as the year the degree was granted and the candidate's last name. The resulting PURL would look something like http://purl.oclc.org/smu/theology/2000harris.

Obviously, the hierarchical structure should not be taken too far, or it becomes cumbersome. The PURL system has a nice feature called "partial redirection." This allows you to create a general PURL and complete it as you would any URL. Therefore, I can create a PURL subdomain for images in the public domain called "/smu/theology/pd." Then I can link to a specific image by using http://purl.oclc.org/smu/theology/pd/genesis0113.jpg without having to define a specific subdomain for the image genesis0113.jpg. As long as all the files associated with /smu/theology/pd remain together and I maintain an accurate location on the PURL server, these links will operate reliably.

PURLs can be used almost immediately by just about anyone who provides content on the Internet. OCLC makes the PURL utilities it has developed available free of charge, and allows public registration to use its own PURL server at http://purl.oclc.org. Currently, the software is available for Solaris, AIX and Linux operating systems. OCLC does recommend that anyone who mounts a PURL service join the PURL discussion list to keep up-to-date on developments.

PURL does have some disadvantages. The PURL model is completely decentralized. PURL servers are not aware of each other, nor do they share information as Domain Name Servers do. There-fore, there is only one source for connecting to a PURL resource. If a particular PURL server is down or inaccessible, none of the resources dependent on that server is available on the net. (Depending on network conditions, they may be accessible via their URLs if those are known.) PURLs recorded on other servers would be unaffected.

DOIs

Document Object Identifier (DOI) is another implementation of URN. The Association of American Publishers (AAP) developed DOI. Publishers were looking for ways that would permit an identifier to remain persistent although the links to rights holders may vary with time and place. The DOI system has three main parts: 1) the identifier, 2) a directory system, and 3) a database.

The identifier: The DOI is made up of two components. The first element—the prefix—is assigned to the publisher by registration agency. The second element following a slash mark, is the suffix. This is the designation assigned by the publisher to the specific content being identified. An object (book) may have one DOI, and a component within that object (chapter, chart, graphic) may have another DOI. The publisher decides the level or "granularity" of identification based on the nature of objects sold and/or distributed over the Internet.

The directory: The power of the DOI system is its function as a routing or "resolution" system. Because digital content may change ownership or location over the course of its useful life, the DOI system uses a central directory. When a user clicks on a DOI, a message is sent to the central directory where the current Web address associated with that DOI appears. This location is sent back to the user's Internet browser with a special message telling the system to "go to this particular Internet address." Users see a Web page on which the publisher offers readers either the content itself, or, if not, further information about the object and information on how to obtain it.

The database: The publisher maintains information about the object identified. However, it is planned that the DOI system will also collect some minimum level of associated metadata to enable provision of automated services such as look-up of DOIs from bibliographic data, citation linking, etc. Thus information about the object identified (metadata) might be distributed over several databases. It might

include the actual content or the information on where and how to obtain the content or other related data.

AAP states that DOI provides tools that publishers can use for internal content management as well as for digital commerce. The underlying technology for the DOI system is the Handle resolution system developed by the Corporation for National Research Initiatives (CNRI), a non-profit organization funded by private industry and government to develop network-based information technologies.

Along with the discrete and persistent description of the object being identified, Clifford Lynch says, the DOI provides

> ". . . a method for collecting revenue for access to material that is described by a DOI (either on a one-time license or pay-per-view basis), if the organization that owns the rights to the object wishes to do this . . . . DOIs in and of themselves are only identifiers and do not imply that any sort of copyright enforcement mechanisms (like an "envelope" or other secure container) will be bundled with the objects that they describe; the presence or absence of such copyright enforcement technologies is an entirely separate issue. These copyright enforcement technologies can be used with objects described by all sorts of identifiers, not just DOIs."[1]

What's Ahead

Development of most of the conventions established for "naming" Internet resources began at a time when the network was still largely a gathering place for academics and enthusiasts. Commerce is now a major (if not the major) purpose of the Internet and concerns related to marketing and maintaining control of valuable property are at the forefront. This change is reflected in the way Internet conventions are applied. The DOI is a prime example of a convention originally intended prima-

rily for identification being extended as a means of control.

In the era of the Digital Millennium Copyright Act, it is important for us to understand this technology because of the impact it (and other similar technologies) will have on copyright and the people we serve. Will the concept of "fair use" survive in this environment? How will the economic and institutional models for providing shared access to documents and other resources evolve? These are critical issues that continue to demand our attention. 📖

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[1]Lynch, Clifford. "Identifiers and Their Role in Networked Information Applications." ARL: A Bimonthly Newsletter of Research Library Issues and Actions 194 (October 1997). Washington, DC: Association of Research Libraries.

ATLA Calendar

July 17-21	Association Internationale Bible et Informatique: The Bible from Alpha to Byte conference, Stellenbosch, South Africa (Adair, Kelm)
July 24-28	Society of Biblical Literature International Meeting, Cape Town, South Africa
August 3–6	REFORMA (National Association to Promote Library and Informational Services to Latinos and the Spanish Speaking) in Tucson (Whittlesey)
August 19	Meeting of ATLAS Advisory Panel (Adair, Campbell, Kelm, Norlin)
Aug. 30–Sept. 3	BETH and ABTAPL conferences in York, England (Norlin)
Aug. 30–Sept. 6	ATLA offices closed to the public for move to new Headquarters
September 7	ATLA opens at new headquarters: 250 South Wacker Drive, Chicago
October 2–3	ATLAS Production Meeting in Atlanta (Adair, Kelm, Luedtke, Norlin, Wagner)
October 20–21	Annual Conference Committee, Education Committee, Local Host Committee meet in Durham, NC (de Catur, Whittlesey)
October 21–23	Professional Development Committee meets in Durham, NC (Whittlesey)
Oct . (date TBD)	Publications Committee meets in Chicago (Collins, Norlin, Whittlesey)
November 3	ATLA Open House
Nov. 17–21	AAR/SBL in Nashville (Adair, Adamek, Campbell, de Catur, Derrenbacker, Handy, Holloway, Jones, Knop, Norlin, Whittlesey). Holloway to deliver paper titled "Biblical Assyria and Other Anxieties of the British Empire" in a panel session.
November 17	ATS/ATLA Digital Standards Committee / Joint Committee in Nashville (Knop, Norlin)

From the Executive Director

If I were to tell someone that in the last month I've been in Berkeley, California; Quito, Ecuador; Crawfordsville, Indiana; and Chicago, Illinois, she might have a difficult time connecting the dots. What connects these distant locations? When one looks at all four locations she would have a good picture of our Association in the 21ˢᵗ century.

Berkeley, California. Berkeley was the site of our Association's Annual Conference. Our Annual Conference is arguably the most important event in our Association's year. In 1995, at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, we topped 300 in total attendance for the first time, and we have exceeded that mark ever since then, including this year. Our annual conference has been described by some long-time members as a family reunion, but in recent years it has become much more than that. It is our most important professional development activity, an introduction to theological librarianship for new and student members, a planning event for the Board and committees, and a time to visit with one another about important issues in town meetings and workshops. If anyone wants to understand what our Association is about, there is no better place to learn than at our Annual Conference.

Quito, Ecuador. I traveled to Quito on July 17 to represent our Association at a meeting of the Latin American Theological Information Network (LATIN). LATIN began several years ago and represents a commitment by Latin and South American theological librarians to form an association that does for their members what ATLA does for ours. My attendance at this conference exemplifies ATLA's collaborative approach to other theological library associations. We seek to listen to, to cooperate with, and to support theological librarians in other parts of the world. (I will journey to York, England at the end of August to meet with members of the European Theological Library Association—BETH.) ATLA is forming a Special Committee of the Association for International Collaboration. Chaired by Charles Willard, this new committee will guide and focus our relationships with theological libraries and librarians outside the United States and Canada.

Crawfordsville, Indiana. Crawfordsville is the home of the Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion at Wabash College. Raymond Williams, Director of the Center, hosted a consultation of fifteen ATLA members to consider ways in which theological librarians can more effectively fulfill their roles in the institutions they serve. We wrestled with questions about the future and used our collective wisdom to advise the Association's new Professional Development Committee about the ways we, as an association, should respond to the challenges and opportunities theological libraries and librarians face in the 21ˢᵗ century.

Chicago, Illinois. I returned to Chicago (not Evanston!) where we are building for the first time a true association headquarters—a permanent location that will provide facilities and space for staff but will also be the setting for new programs and activities of professional development for ATLA members. It is going to be a marvelous place, full of light and hope, creativity and excellence, and we will be moved in by September 1.

Can you see the same exciting picture I see created by these locations and events? Having connected all of these dots, I'm off for some rest and relaxation. I'll look forward to being back in mid-September. 📖

Dennis A. Norlin
ATLA Executive Director

Friday, November 3, 2000

An Open House

Celebrating ATLA's Move to Its
New Headquarters

250 South Wacker Drive
Suite 1600
Downtown Chicago

Check our Web site (www.atla.com)
for the latest on our Open House

News from ATLA Staff

September Move to New Headquarters

On September 1, 2000 ATLA plans to move into its new 11,900-square foot headquarters at 250 South Wacker Drive in Chicago. ATLA's new permanent headquarters is being designed by architect Robert Isaac and will provide a modern, efficient, and tasteful environment for ATLA's Chicago staff. ATLA will occupy the top (16th) floor of the building with wonderful views and a terrace overlooking the Chicago River. Yehoshua ben Avraham, Coordinator of Special Projects, has skillfully overseen the project and is organizing the move.

Thirty-five employees will move to the new site during the first week in September. ATLA will close its current headquarters to the public on Wednesday, August 30 to accomplish the move, and open its new headquarters on Thursday, September 7.

On Friday, November 3 ATLA will host an open house at the new headquarters, open to all in the Chicago area. Dedication of the new facility will be Friday, January 19, 2001 during the ATLA Board of Directors midwinter meeting.

In August 2001 ATLA will add to our headquarters 4,500 square feet on the fifteenth floor of the building. The fifteenth floor will house a new interactive electronic classroom facility (funded by a grant from the Lilly Endowment, Inc.); meeting rooms for the ATLA Board, committees, and task forces; and a facility for Preservation Microfilm.

All ATLA members and friends are invited to visit our new headquarters at any time. Located just one block from Union Station, we will be easily accessible—via Metra or CTA trains—from either airport or from anywhere in the Chicago metropolitan area. We are very thankful for the opportunity to build this new headquarters for ATLA members, staff, and friends. 📖

Dennis A. Norlin
ATLA Executive Director

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Executive Director Dennis Norlin and Director of Financial Services Pradeep Gamadia inspect progress
at ATLA's new headquarters at 250 South Wacker Drive, Chicago.

Staff Changes

Departures

John Robert Gardner, XML Engineer at ATLA CERTR, resigned to join Sun Microsystems in a program developing new standards and applications for XML. Although he was with ATLA for just one year, Gardner made an important contribution to launching the ATLAS project.

Ramakrishna Bhuma, Database Analyst, resigned to accept another position.

July 14 was Ric Hudgens' last day at ATLA. After twelve years of service to the Association, Hudgens is entering parish ministry in Evanston. Ric will continue to edit RIM ONLINE for the Association on a contractual basis. We are in his debt for his many contributions to the Association.

Arrivals

Kristen Terbrack joined the Index Department as an Indexing Assistant in June. A senior philosophy major at Loyola, Kristen works primarily with *IBRR.*

Amber Creger joined the Preservation Department staff in June to work with ATLA's new NEH project. With a degree in photography and excellent experience in archives, Amber is a welcome addition to our Preservation Staff.

Cameron Campbell joined ATLA on August 1 as the new Director of Indexes. For the past twelve years Campbell has been Head of Serials Cataloging at the University of Chicago. ATLA is very pleased to welcome Cameron to lead our outstanding Index Department. 📖

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New Strategic Plan for 2000–2003

ATLA's new Strategic Plan was developed through dialogue between staff, members, and the Board of Directors. It seeks to explore goals related to each of our Association's Organizational Ends and to help prepare us for the new era in which we live and work. At the Annual Conference in Berkeley this plan formed the basis of my presentation to the members. During the next three years the plan will help to shape the programs and services we revise, expand, and develop. I welcome your comments and questions about this plan.

Part of the Strategic Plan involved surveying our institutional members about six possible projects we could promote in the next three years. Members were asked to rank these projects in order of importance to their institution (#1 = highest importance; #6 = least important). We have had 111 surveys completed. We also received more than fifty written comments that were very instructive. Here are the results:

1. Digitizing key texts and reference works, creating a core digital collection in theology (2.675676)
2. Pursuing retrospective indexing of religion journals prior to 1946 (2.855856)
3. Developing a religion portal to Web resources (3.225225)
4. Initiating a joint electronic reserves project for and with ATLA's institutional members (4.027027)
5. Developing a union catalog of ATLA member libraries (3.810811)
6. Developing a virtual repository of member-created digital projects (4.477478)

**ATLA Strategic Plan:
September 1, 2000–August 31, 2003**

Membership
ATLA will offer resources and programs that help member librarians evaluate, select, acquire, and use new technologies and skills of importance to theological libraries

1) We will pursue appropriate growth within the new definitions of institutional membership
2) We will evaluate and enhance the benefits of membership
3) We will support the professional development of ATLA members by
   a) Hiring a new Coordinator of Professional Development
   b) Supporting the work of the Professional Development Committee
   c) Creating, distributing and analyzing a survey of the professional development needs of ATLA members
4) We will use our new headquarters as a resource and location for developing new means of sup-

port for members' professional development

5) We will devote significant resources and personnel to the development of the new *atlamembers.org* Web site

Theological Librarianship
ATLA will help members define theological librarianship as a unique profession and interpret it to others

1) We will seek ways to develop and expand the ATLA Endowment Fund
2) We will develop courses and resources in theological librarianship in collaboration with schools of library and information science
3) We will actively recruit under-represented minorities to the profession
4) We will support the production of scholarly articles related to theological librarianship

Products and Services

ATLA will invest in products and services that are essential for theological libraries in the twenty-first century

1) We will develop the capacity for in-house microfilm preservation of monographs and serials
2) We will develop ATLA's own online version of the *ATLA Religion Database*
3) We will focus ATLA CERTR (Center for Electronic Resrouces in Theology and Religion) staff efforts on research, development, and production of applications for ATLA's electronic products
4) We will focus the Chicago Information Services Department's efforts on facilitating member activities and developing internal systems
5) We will continue to expand and enhance the ATLASerials project
6) We will utilize CuadraSTAR as our inputting system to support partner databases and other projects
7) We will pursue three new projects from a survey of ATLA's institutional members

Collaboration
ATLA will facilitate and coordinate the efforts of member libraries to share ideas, resources, and programs

1) We will support the ATLA member Web site (atlamembers.org) for member activities including:
   a) Theology Cataloging Bulletin (TCB)
   b) Member publications
   c) ATLA Serials Exchange
2) We will develop closer ties with ATLA Regional Groups and explore ways to develop programs and workshops
3) We will support member libraries and librarians in their efforts to collaborate with faculty and administrators at their institutions.
4) We will pursue affiliation with other scholarly societies 📖

Dennis Norlin
Executive Director

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Overseas Council Purchases *ATLA Religion Database* for Eastern European Schools

In May the Overseas Council International (Indianapolis, Indiana) purchased seven copies of the *ATLA Religion Database* for distribution to seven doctoral level theological schools in eastern Europe. The schools receiving subscriptions are:

Bulgarian Evangelical Theological Institute
Uva #5
Sofia 1330
BULGARIA

Evandeoski Teoloski Fakultet
Cvjetkova 32
Osijek HR-311-3
CROATIA

Protestant Institute for Mission Studies
Kalvin ter 7.11, Pf. 150
Budapest 1461
Hungary

Biblijne Seminarium Teologiczne
ul. Stobrawska 2
Wroclaw 54-211
POLAND

Moscow Evangelical Christian Seminary
ul. Chicherina, d. 10, korp. 2
Moscow 129 327
RUSSIA

St. Petersburg Christian University
ulitsa Zvyozdnaya 15, korpus 2
St. Petersburg 196233
RUSSIA

Donetsk Christian University
Prospekt Ilicha 106-a
Donetsk 83059
UKRAINE 📖

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ATLAS Prototype Available Online

Selected issues of journals that have been digitized for the ATLA Serials (ATLAS) Project are now accessible online from http://purl.org/CERTR/ATLAS. Users who click on "Project Preview" will be taken to a page that will give them an overview of the project. From there, they can select "Project Preview" to enter ATLAS. Both the Username and the Password are "public."

In Phase 1 of ATLAS, subscribers will be able to view images of individual pages, step forward or backward through a journal issue, or go to a specific page in a journal. They will also be able to search by author, title, subject, scripture reference, date, or any one of several other categories, similar to the way in which they can now search the *ATLA Religion Database.* Although the current prototype does not have the search features that will be present in the final version, future publicly available prototypes will incorporate these and other features.

In other news, the ATLAS Advisory Panel will meet in Chicago on August 19 to review progress on the project and offer advice on future developments. One new feature that will be discussed by the Panel is the addition to ATLAS of a number of peer-reviewed electronic journals. The Advisory Panel consists of several of the leading scholars of religion and theology from around the United States. 📖

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ATLA Awarded Second Serials Grant

Earlier this year, ATLA's preservation department was awarded its second serials grant, a two-year grant of $564,977, from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) to microfilm selected journals that are representative of non-Christian, missionary, and syncretistic religion journals published between 1850 and 1950. As a whole, the literature chosen 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. The selected journal titles form an interesting segment of the United States' broader intellectual history and are of value to future humanities research. By the end of this grant it is ATLA's hope to have preserved 177 of these endangered journals.

To make sure that this grant progresses smoothly over the next two years, ATLA recently hired Amber Creger as the Preservation Associate for this grant. Her job is to act as the primary liaison between donor libraries and the microfilming service for day to day operations during this two-year project. The major libraries donating periodicals for microfilming are Yale Divinity School Library, Andover-Harvard Library of Harvard Divinity School, Speer Library of Princeton Theological Seminary, and Pitts Theology Library of Emory University. The majority of the journals selected for filming are available in one or more of these four key donor libraries. When a title is not available, Creger locates another institution with such holdings and contacts them with a request for their participation in the microfilming project. So far, four additional institutions have also agreed to participate in this project. They are Cornell University, Duke University, Hartford Seminary, and New York Public Library's Schomberg Center.

Work on this grant began in May of this year and will continue through April of 2001. To insure a smooth workflow, the grant has been broken down into three phases of completion. In the first phase, seventy-eight titles will be filmed, in the second phase fifty-eight, and in the third forty-one. Each phase takes approximately six to eight months to complete. It is our pleasure to report that we have 45% of Phase 1 titles currently undergoing preparation for micro-

filming at the filming agency. Once the titles have been collated and replacement pages found they will be filmed and the print materials will be re-distributed to the donor libraries. ATLA will receive three film generations: a positive, which will be sent to the university that donated the serial, the master negatives which will be sent to ATLA's underground storage facility at Iron Mountain/NUS (National Underground Storage) in Western Pennsylvania for long-term storage, and finally the duplicating masters which will be sent to Alpha Systems. These duplicating masters will be utilized to provide reproductions of these previously obscure serials to be used by scholars throughout the field.

ATLA has been committed to the preservation of religious serials and monographs for over four decades. This grant allows us to continue to focus on and broaden the scope of journals preserved in a previous NEH grant, thus continuing our mission to provide these resources for future generations of theologians. 📖

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NACO Funnel Project Reaches Milestone

The ATLA NACO Funnel Project has reached its first milestone. In June 2000, Gene Fieg and Raymond Van De Moortell both achieved independence in the contribution of personal names. Gene and Raymond both attended the first annual NACO training session held in conjunction with the 1997 ATLA Annual Conference, in Boston, Mass. Despite difficulties caused by the discovery of an asbestos problem in the building housing the training site, both worked diligently to learn NACO policies and procedures.

Following that training, they created new authority records and changed existing authority records. After completing work on the authority records, they submitted them for review and critique. When the records had passed review, they were added permanently to the national authority file residing on the OCLC and RLIN databases. When the participant and the reviewer agree that the participant is fully trained and ready for independence, a test is given to confirm that independence is warranted.

To apply for independence, a participant is required to submit eighty new and changed authority records, which are then subjected to a stringent review. To pass review and achieve independence, there may be no more than eight significant errors noted in the eighty records (10% error rate).

Training is offered each year and all are invited to apply for membership. For further info see: http://www.atla.com/membserv/naco.html 📖

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Report of the Representative to the CC:DA

CC:DA continues to be very busy with major revisions of the rules in several chapters. An international committee of map catalogers have been busy revising chapter 3, Cartographic Materials, to bring it into conformity with the 1988 revision of *AACR2* and to codify rules for cataloging electronic cartographic materials. This revision has now been passed on to the Joint Steering Committee (JSC) for their review and approval. Following that approval, the revision will be issued as rule revisions to chapter 3. The text of the revision proposal can be viewed at: http://www.ala.org/alcts/organization/ccs/ccda/magert1.html

The revision of chapter 12, Serials, was completed in February 2000 and delivered to the JSC at its February meeting. It is currently out for international review. So far, the comments have all been favorable. CC:DA has formed a Task Force to review the chapter. That review must be completed by August 7 in order to be conveyed to the JSC for their September meeting. If all goes well, the revised chapter 12 should be available for use next year. The full text of the rule revision proposals can be viewed on the JSC Web site: http://www.nlc-bnc.ca/jsc/ch12.htm

The review of chapter 9, Electronic Resources, to harmonize it with the ISBD (ER) is also complete. The text of the revision proposal can be viewed at: http://www.ala.org/alcts/organization/ccs/ccda/tf-harm1.html#report

The Task Force to draft an Appendix to *AACR2* relating to Major/Minor Changes has completed its work and its final report can be viewed at: http://www.ala.org/alcts/organization/ccs/ccda/tf-harm1.html#report

All of these documents have been approved and forwarded to the JSC for its review at its September

meeting. In addition, CC:DA has completed a preliminary study of the issue of metadata and its impact on library catalogs and has passed its agenda on to a Standing Committee of ALCTS for further work.

The meeting of serial experts to work on the harmonization of AACR2, ISBD (CR), and the ISSN network was postponed until November, in the hope that JSC would have made some critical decisions concerning the seriality issue.

The ALA representative to the JSC, Brian Schottlaender, also announced that the JSC had embraced the idea of an introductory conceptual chapter to *AACR2* and had appointed the Library Association/British Library to prepare a draft for discussion. He further mentioned that the JSC is considering what would be necessary to change in order to make *AACR2* a truly international code, that is, to extend its use beyond the Anglo-American world.

The OCLC representative, Glenn Patton, announced that the CORC records were now available in WorldCat and could be identified by the Encoding Level: 3 and the presence of an 042 field containing the code: dc. These records were input in the Dublin Core format and "crosswalked" into MARC. They will not contain all the fields normally expected in a MARC record. They can be upgraded to full MARC as can other records. Check with your OCLC representative to find out the specific guidelines for working with these records or find more information about it on the OCLC Web site at: http://www.oclc.org/oclc/corc/index.htm 📖

Judy Knop
ATLA Representative to the CC:DA

Did you know?

- That your gifts to the NSLS ATLA Endowment Fund are completely tax deductible?

- That a portion of the interest earned from your gifts is being used to promote theological librarianship and to recruit under-represented minorities to the profession?

- That ten theological librarians were able to attend the 2000 ATLA Conference with grants provided by proceedings from the ATLA Endowment Fund?

   Here is a brief excerpt from a thank-you letter received following the conference:

   Thank you to you and to the membership of the ATLA for the generous gift which enabled me to attend the Annual Conference in Berkeley this year . . . . As an M.Div. student who already has an MLS, I was interested in learning how my call to the ministry could possibly be related to the library work that I enjoy so much. I was heartened to realize that many librarians in the membership of the ATLA do see their work as ministry . . . . I very much look forward to next year's conference. I feel I have already made so many friends. Thank you again.

Your gift to the ATLA Endowment Fund strengthens our Association and our profession as theological librarians. Please send your contribution to:

NSLF ATLA Endowment Fund
200 West Dundee
Wheeling, Illinois 60090

Annual Ravinia Outing

On June 28th more than sixty ATLA staff and families attended the fourth annual ATLA Ravinia outing. After a delicious catered dinner, staff enjoyed an outstanding all-Schubert chamber music concert with Pinchas Zuckerman and friends. Selections included the Trio in B-flat Major, the Quintet in C Major, and the Trout Quintet. For the third straight year we picked an evening when it rained, but spirits remained high (and relatively dry).

Steven Holloway, John Rash, and Kristen Terbrack

Dennis Norlin with Mr. & Mrs. Sang Sul

Catered buffet at Ravinia

Reggie Mendoza-Perry

Rick Adamek with daughter, Esme and
Yehoshua Ben-Avraham

ATLA Welcomes New Members

Individuals

Ms. Patricia Furr
New Orleans, LA

Ms. Anita Schuneman
Iliff School of Theology
Denver, CO

Rev. Willie Rivera
Mechanicville, NY

Rev. Gerald L. Truman
Richmond, IN

Students

Ms. Elizabeth Rose Fogler
Lexington, KY

Ms. Kerry Shermer
Central Baptist Theological Seminary
Kansas City, KS

Miss Kelly Hennig
Tampa, FL

Ms. Michelle Y. Spomer
Mill Valley, CA

Miss Juliana Punt
Orange, CA

Mr. Julio Vega
New Port Richey, FL

Institutions

Immaculate Conception Seminary Library
Seton Hall University
South Orange, NJ

Marist College Library
Washington, DC

Positions Open

Coordinator of Professional Development
American Theological Library Association

ATLA is seeking a Coordinator of Professional Development to work with members to plan and execute the professional development needs of current and potential members. The Coordinator of Professional Development will work closely with ATLA's new Professional Development Committee to build a strong program of professional development beyond the traditional programs offered at the Association's annual conference. Creation of this new Member Services Department position underscores the Association's organizational end—*to foster the professional growth of its members and to enhance their ability to serve their constituencies as administrators and librarians.*

ATLA's Coordinator of Professional Development will have the opportunity to help build a vibrant and robust professional development program. ATLA will open a new, state-of-the-art interactive classroom at headquarters in August 2001 to expand opportunities for programming. This facility will provide a venue for distance education workshops, accredited courses in theological librarianship, and Chicago-based classes. Professional development opportunities could also include regional workshops and institutes.

The Coordinator of Professional Development works directly with member committees to plan, develop, produce, monitor, and evaluate all aspects of professional development of ATLA members. Although the Coordinator of Professional Development is responsible for all logistical aspects of the Annual Conference, the Association expects to add a part-time Annual Conference Manager who will report to the Coordinator of Professional Development.

ATLA's staff of forty is divided between a newly leased and renovated headquarters office in downtown Chicago (across from the Sears Tower) and a research and development/production office in Atlanta (the Center for Electronic Research in Theology and Religion—CERTR). There are five directors in addition to the Executive Director, one each for CERTR, Finance, Index, Information Systems, and Member Services. The Coordinator of Professional Development reports to the Director of Member Services, as do the Editor of Member Publications, the Member Representative, and the Web Editor.

The successful candidate for the position of Coordinator of Professional Development will be an energetic person who understands both librarianship and adult education, and who is receptive and attentive to members' ideas and goals. Experience as an active member or staff member of a professional association is strongly desirable. It is expected that this person will be knowledgeable about technology and its possibility for instruction.

Preferred qualifications include:
- MLS from an ALA-accredited library program
- Experience in planning and organizing meetings and/or conferences
- Advanced degree in theology or religious studies
- Excellent communication skills (both verbal and written)
- Ability to handle many concurrent tasks efficiently, effectively, and on time
- Knowledge of use of technology for instruction
- Experience with associations as an active member or staff member

Knowledge of iMIS or other association management software (membership and meeting modules) and knowledge of principles of adult education would be helpful, but not necessary.

Competitive salary depending on qualifications and experience; excellent benefits; collegial atmosphere. Some travel necessary.

This is a new position with a start date as soon as possible, but preferably no later than December 1. Send resumes with the names and telephone numbers of three references, postmarked no later than September 15, to Karen L. Whittlesey, Director of Member Services, ATLA, 250 South Wacker Drive, Suite 1600, Chicago, IL 60606. Applications sent as e-mail attachments must be followed by hard copy (kwhittle@atla.com).

You may visit the ATLA Web site at www.atla.com for additional information about the Association and its activities.

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ATLA MEMBER INSTITUTIONS

Catalog Librarian
Dominican College Library

The Dominican College Library is a small Catholic theological library with holdings of approximately 79,000 (including a rare book collection of about 2,500 volumes), and a full-time staff of four. The Library is moving towards automation, and is currently engaged in a strategic planning process.

Qualifications: MLS from an ALA-accredited program; experience using OCLC, MARC, AACR2, LCSH and Dewey; working knowledge of at least one European language, as well as Latin; familiarity with Catholicism and Catholic theology; library automation experience; ability to train and supervise support staff; familiarity with conservation and preservation techniques.

The catalog librarian reports directly to the Head Librarian, and is responsible for original and copy cataloging, and maintenance of the catalog; will create and maintain authority records as necessary; and will participate in planning and implementing Library automation. The catalog librarian will also be responsible for the rare book collection and overall collection maintenance.

Applications will be accepted until positions are filled. No phone calls please. The Library is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer.

Please mail or fax resume to: Head Librarian; Dominican College Library; 487 Michigan Avenue, NE ; Washington, D.C. 20017; Fax: 202-636-4460. 📖

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Director, Booher Library
Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest

The Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest, one of only two Episcopal seminaries west of the Mississippi, nestles in the central Texas hill country near a series of five large artificial lakes fed by the Colorado River. Austin is home to numerous institutions of higher education including the University of Texas, with its library school, and Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary. The Booher Library serves a community of 150 students, 16 faculty members and the church at large, concentrating on pastoral ministry but with special interest in Hispanic ministries and community outreach.

The Director of the Library has the responsibility to develop the library as an educational and research arm of the Episcopal Seminary and the Lutheran Seminary Program in the Southwest, and to oversee library operations.

The Director is responsible for the management of the library of 125,000 volumes, including collection development, acquisitions, cataloging, public services, automated services, archives, and supervision of library staff (currently three full time, soon to be four, and nine student aides who work part time).

The Director, with the support of the faculty and administration, is responsible for the future development of the library, the shape and size of the collection, physical space needs, and further automation of library functions. The library plays a central role in curricular support, especially in the transition into a new curriculum this fall. Construction of a new library facility is anticipated within the next eight to ten years.

The Director reports to the Dean, is a member of the faculty, and may be invited to teach in his or her field of competence. The faculty will provide advice and support concerning the development of library policies and procedures.

The Director is expected to relate constructively to various constituencies, e. g., faculty, students, clergy, administrators, and the general public.

The Director is responsible for maintaining and advancing cooperative relationships between the ETSS Library and other academic libraries, including the Lutheran Seminary Program in the Southwest, the Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary Stitt Library (with which a cooperative collection development policy is in place), and the University of Texas libraries.

Requirements: Applicants must have a master's

degree in library science from an ALA accredited school and a master's degree in religious studies, theology, or a closely related field, as well as experience in library administration. (A Ph.D. degree in a theological discipline is desirable.) The candidate must also be experienced in the application of current information technology, and must have an understanding of the organization and history of the Episcopal Church.

The deadline for applications or nominations is October 1, 2000. Ideally the position is to be filled by January 1, 2001. Salary is commensurate with education and experience and benefits are excellent.

Submit applications or inquiries to John Bennet Waters; Vice President of Administration and chair of the Search Committee; the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest; P. O. Box 2247; Austin, TX 78768. The Seminary is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Applications should include statement of interest and qualifications, curriculum vitae, and at least three letters of reference. 📖

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Director of Theological Library
Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University

Brite Divinity School of Texas Christian University in Fort Worth, Texas, invites applications for the position of Director of the Theological Library. The position is to begin June 1, 2001. The Director of the Theological Library acquires, preserves, and makes accessible the resources, both traditional and emerging, that support the research needs of faculty and students engaged in religious and theological inquiry. The Director prepares and conducts bibliographic sessions as appropriate for the Brite community and supports programs of study and research (professional, graduate, and undergraduate) at both Brite and Texas Christian University. The Theological Librarian serves as a member of the Divinity School faculty. M.L.S. from accredited ALA school is required. Ph.D. in theological discipline is preferred. A tenure track is available in such cases with the opportunity to offer up to two courses per year in an appropriate theological area. Salary and Benefits are commensurate with qualifications and experience. Send letter of application, resume, and

three professional letters of reference to the Dean; Brite Divinity School; Texas Christian University; TCU Box 298130; Fort Worth, Texas 76129. Brite Divinity School is an equal opportunity employer and maintains a policy of nondiscrimination with respect to all employees and applicants for employment. Salary will be competitive and commensurate with credentials and experience. 📖

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Interim Theological Librarian
Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University

Brite Divinity School, an affiliate of Texas Christian University, is seeking a professional librarian to fill a one year interim appointment as Brite Theological Librarian. The Theological Librarian serves the community of the Brite Divinity School and is responsible for assisting students, faculty, staff and others in making effective use of library resources in the area of religion and theology. To achieve this goal, the librarian provides general and specialized reference and referral services; conducts library instruction; prepares bibliographies and guides; conducts database searches; and assists patrons in using information resources in a wide range of formats. In addition, the theological librarian manages, assesses and develops the theological collection and participates in appropriate library professional organizations. The theological librarian serves as a liaison between the Brite Divinity School and the Mary Couts Burnett Library of Texas Christian University. The theological librarian reports to the Dean of the Brite Divinity School and to the Head of Public Services, Mary Couts Burnett Library.

Required Qualifications:
1. A master's degree in Library and Information Science from an ALA-accredited school
2. Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of current information technologies and applications
3. Strong interpersonal and communications skills

Desired Qualifications:
1. Applicants with a degree or background in religion or theological studies will be strongly preferred

2. Public service experience in an academic library
3. Knowledge of collection management principles and procedures
4. Familiarity with basic library planning and budgeting
5. Reading knowledge of one or more classical or modern foreign languages

Salary: Minimum of $34,000. More negotiable, commensurate with background and experience.

Applicants should send a resume together with the names of three references to: Shirley Bubar, Secretary, Brite Librarian Search Committee, Brite Divinity School, Box 298130, Fort Worth, TX 76129.

Position available July 1, 2000. Review of applications began June 1st and will continue until a candidate is selected. 📖

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Library Director
Denver Seminary

Denver Seminary invites nominations and applications for a faculty tenure track position of Library Director beginning December 1, 2000. The Director reports to the Academic Dean and is responsible for the oversight of the library operation including the development, processing and preservation of the collection for all degree programs, archives, interpreting the collection through appropriate reference services, automated systems, preparation and management of the budget, and works with a staff of five full-time and two-and-a-half FTE student staff members. As a faculty member, the Director attends faculty meetings, serves on faculty committees and may teach one or two appropriate courses each year.

Candidates should be in wholehearted agreement with the seminary's evangelical, premillennial and broadly baptistic doctrinal position, its mission, values, and vision statements. Candidates must have an excellent record of experience in a theological library and be committed to scholarship in theological education and the nurture of students. Persons must have an ALA-accredited MLS and a graduate degree in theology (preferably an M.Div), with a Ph.D desirable. Experience in a theological or aca-

demic library with knowledge of automated systems and other electronic resources is essential. The applicant must possess people and organizational skills.

Salary determined on the basis of education and experiences. Women and ethnic minorities are encouraged to apply and invited to identify themselves. Send CV and list of four references to Dr. Kermit Ecklebarger; VP & Academic Dean; Denver Seminary; Box 100,000; Denver, Colorado 80250. 📖

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Project Archivist
Union Theological Seminary

The Burke Library is seeking an experienced processing archivist, ideally with a background in religion and/or theology and/or a specialization in women's studies, to process the papers of the Archives of Women in Theological Scholarship (AWTS). The AWTS is a documentation strategy project funded by the National Historical Publications and Records Commission to provide access to the scholarly and personal papers of prominent women who have reshaped the disciplines of theological education and influenced the course of American religious life over the past thirty years. The collections for the project, which is in its second year of operation, will be actively surveyed and accessioned throughout the entire grant period and are estimated finally to comprise up to 300 cubic feet. The collections of the AWTS will provide unprecedented insight into a time in American religious history when women scholars began to have a significant impact on the academy, the church, and society. Together, they form a critical and unique segment of the broader intellectual history of the United States and are of value not only to the study of theology and religion, but to future research in a broad range of humanities and social science disciplines.

Responsibilities: Under the direction of the Archivist/Project Director, the Project Archivist will manage the appraisal, arrangement and description of the AWTS records. The Project Archivist will prepare draft finding aids and MARC:amc worksheets for each collection which s/he will transfer, with the assistance of the Technical Services Department and

the Seminary Webmaster, to the Library's on-line catalogue (SOPHIA) and to RLIN. S/he will work with the Seminary's Webmaster to prepare EAD format finding aids and to post them to the Seminary and AWTS WWW sites, respectively. As time permits, the PA may provide reference services for the collections; write articles about the collections for placement in archival, historical, or theological journals; and work with the Project Director to publicize the collections at meetings and conferences.

Requirements: A master's degree in history, library science or a related field is required, as is experience in processing and cataloguing extensive archival collections. Familiarity with the MARC:amc and EAD formats in archival cataloguing is strongly preferred, as is scholarly familiarity with 20th century Christian feminism.

Hours and rates of pay: This is a term position. It is full-time, 35 hours per week, and temporary, expected to last for eighteen months from July 1, 2000 through January, 2002. There is a two-week vacation. The salary is $35,000.

Contact: Claire McCurdy by fax at (212) 280-1456 or at awt@uts.columbia.edu. 📖

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Public Services Librarian for Reference & Bibliographic Instruction
Bridwell Library, Perkins School of Theology
Southern Methodist University

Bridwell Library strives to provide pro-active, flexible and innovative patron-centered public services. The Public Services Librarian for Reference and Bibliographic Instruction plays a leading role in fulfilling that aspiration. Under the supervision of the Associate Librarian, the Public Services Librarian for Reference and Bibliographic Instruction is responsible for all aspects of reference service, bibliographic instruction and research assistance. This individual:

- Provides direct reference and research assistance to patrons, including telephone and electronic mail services as necessary. Coordinates with other staff members providing similar services.
- Supports the use of the library's collections, databases, catalogs, and finding aids in all media, providing formal and informal instruction, advice, and documentation for patrons and visitors.
- Provides formal and informal bibliographic instruction for Bridwell Library constituencies, primarily Perkins School of Theology students. Coordinates design and content of BI with Perkins faculty and staff.
- Prepares bibliographic documentation and other aids to the use of the library's collections independently and in cooperation with other staff members.
- Contributes to the Bridwell Library public Web site and supports public use of the library's online systems and resources in all media.
- Selects reference materials for and manages the primary reference collection. Participates in selection for the general theological collections.
- Participates in the development and design of library policies, procedures. Acts as an advocate for patrons and seeks to anticipate patron needs with regard to reference, instruction, and research support.
- Conducts initial patron interviews for Special Collections.
- Conducts public tours of library exhibitions.
- Acts as backup to Circulation Supervisors.
- Other duties as assigned. Occasional weekend and evening hours required.

Qualifications
- ALA-accredited MLS or equivalent academic preparation.
- Advanced degree in religious studies, theology or applicable field.
- Experience in public services in an academic theological library preferred.
- Strong service orientation and excellent interpersonal skills.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills. Proficiency in public speaking and reading knowledge of at least one modern non-English language. Knowledge of Biblical Hebrew or Greek preferred.
- Knowledge of theological reference tools in print and electronic formats preferred.
- Strong computer skills, including proficiency in HTML and knowledge of XML preferred.
- Ability to work both independently and as a team member.

Compensation

Salary commensurate with qualifications and experience, $30,000 minimum. Competitive benefits package.

Applications

Submit letter of application, resume and three references to Search Committee, Position 050424, SMU, P.O. Box 750232, Dallas TX 75275-0232. To ensure full consideration, the application must be postmarked on or before July 31, 2000, but the committee will continue to accept applications until the position is filled. SMU is an equal opportunity, affirmative action, Title IX employer 📖

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Reference Librarian
Hope International University

Twelve-month, full-time position with faculty rank reporting to the Director of Library Services of a small Christian university in Southern California. Responsibilities: Reference services and information access; Library and bibliographic instruction; Interlibrary loan/document delivery. Required: Graduate degree in library or information science from an accredited institution. Prefer additional graduate education in a discipline related to the University's curricular emphases and prior reference experience in an academic library. Salary $36,000 plus benefits. Position open until filled. Contact Esther Grieb, Darling Library of Hope International University, 2500 E. Nutwood Ave., Fullerton, CA 92831, (714) 879-3901, x1218 egrieb@hiu.edu. 📖

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Systems Librarian
Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

The Barbour Library of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary invites applications for position of Systems Librarian.

Duties: The librarian reports to the Director and participates in the overall management of the Library. The librarian is primarily responsible for sys-

tems support for DRA Classic. The library is planning to upgrade/migrate to a new system and the librarian will be expected to participate in the selection and implementation of the new system. Additional responsibilities include the development and maintenance of the Library's Web site and technical support for the library's network and automation needs in cooperation with the Computer Services Department of the Seminary.

Preferred requirements: ALA-accredited MLS/MLIS; two to three years successful experience as a Systems Librarian; Webauthoring experience; excellent oral and writing communication skills; and ability to work independently and as a team member.

Compensation: Competitive compensation based upon qualifications and experience with exceptional benefits package.

Application procedures: Submit letter of application, detailed resume, three professional references to: Dr. Steven Perry; Library Director; Clifford E. Barbour Library; Pittsburgh Theological Seminary; 616 N. Highland Ave.; Pittsburgh, PA 15206. Applications will be reviewed upon receipt and the search will continue until the position is filled. Pittsburgh Theological Seminary is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity Employer. 📖

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Technical Services Librarian
B.L. Fisher Library
Asbury Theological Seminary

Responsibilities: Under the general supervision of the Director of Library Operation, the Technical Services Librarian will be responsible for all aspects of the cataloging of library material. Responsibilities also include the training and supervision of support staff.

Qualifications: A Masters degree in Library Science required, including course work in cataloging and a basic understanding of LC Classification and subject headings, AACR2, and MARC. The ability to work collegially in small group and team environments. Willingness to abide by the terms of the Seminary's ethos statement.

Highly desirable: Knowledge of one or more European languages (preferably German and Span-

ish), background in a theological discipline, microcomputer skills in a networked environment.

Salary & Benefits: This is an entry level Librarian I position. Full benefits package including twenty-two vacations days; twelve holidays, comprehensive healthcare, TIAA/CREF, and tuition remission for family members at both Asbury College and Asbury Seminary.

To apply: Send a letter, resume and references to HR; Asbury Theological Seminary; 204 North Lexington Avenue; Wilmore, KY 40390. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. &

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Technical Services Librarian
Kenrick-Glennon Seminary

Souvay Library of Kenrick-Glennon Theological Seminary is seeking a Technical Services Librarian with a public services orientation. The 75,000-volume library is a charter member of MOBIUS (Missouri Bibliographic Information Users Service), a consortium of fifty academic libraries using Innovative Interface's Millennium/In-Reach system.

Applicants should possess the MLS degree from an ALA-accredited program and experience using OCLC, MARC, AACR2, LCSH and LC or (more preferably) Dewey classification. Responsibilities include copy and some original cataloging as well as the bar-coding and classification of both print and non-print materials. The candidate will also be involved in the implementation of the new automated integrated library system next year.

Familiarity with Catholic theology, experience with Innovative Interface's system and knowledge of OCLC's ILL will strengthen the candidate's application. This is a full-time position with full-time benefits and salary will be commensurate with experience. Please send letter of application, resume and references to Dr. Andrew J, Sopko; Director of the Library; Kenrick-Glennon Theological Seminary; 5200 Glennon Drive; Saint Louis, MO 63119. Review of applications will begin on September 1, 2000. &

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Technical Services Librarian
Feehan Memorial Library
University of St. Mary of the Lake /
Mundelein Seminary

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.

Responsibilities
All original and copy cataloging in a variety of formats and languages; completion of a retrospective conversion and reclassification project; overseeing of 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.

Setting
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 205 students from over 40 different dioceses with a faculty of about thirty. 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 in the spring of 2001.

Compensation and Appointment

Competitive salary, depending upon experience and qualifications, along with a comprehensive benefits package. Appointment date negotiable, but preferably around September 1, 2000.

Application Procedure

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 August 4, 2000 and continue until the position is filled. Visit www.usml.edu. 📖

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Theological Librarian
Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

The Barbour Library of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary invites applications for position of Reference Librarian and Head of Public Services.

Duties: The librarian reports to the Director and participates in the overall management of the Library. Specific duties include: supervising circulation and ILL departments; providing reference assistance; conducting instructional tours, providing bibliographic instruction; selecting reference materials; and assisting with Web site development.

Preferred requirements: ALA-accredited MLS/MLIS; theological degree; experience in public services in a theological library; knowledge of European languages and biblical Greek and Hebrew; familiarity with theological reference works and elec-

tronic resources; Webauthoring experience; excellent oral and writing communication skills; and ability to work independently and as a team member.

Compensation: Competitive compensation based upon qualifications and experience with exceptional benefits package.

Application procedures: Submit letter of application, detailed resume, three professional references to: Dr. Steven Perry; Library Director; Clifford E. Barbour Library; Pittsburgh Theological Seminary; 616 N. Highland Ave.; Pittsburgh, PA 15206. Applications will be reviewed upon receipt and the search will continue until the position is filled. Pittsburgh Theological Seminary is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity Employer.

Non-member Institutions

College Librarian
Northwest College

Job Function

Direct and administer the planning, functioning, promotion and evaluation of Northwest College Library information resources and related services.

Responsibilities

1. Manages library budget.
2. Promotes library interests in the college community.
3. Manages and directs the library staff using a collaborative team approach based on consensus to provide effective library service to the college community.
4. Serves on the College and Faculty Committees as assigned by the Vice President for Academic Affairs and/or the College President.
5. Maintains relationships with other academic librarians regionally and nationally for purposes of communication, development, and cooperation.

Qualifications

1. Earned MLS from an ALA accredited program.
2. At least three years of successful experience of increasing responsibility in supervising human resources and managing library processes and services. Recent experience in academic librarianship highly desired.

3. Effectively demonstrate the integration of faith and learning, with an ability to apply the Christian theistic world view in professional practice.
4. General and professional knowledge bases to facilitate the service of campus information resource needs and to develop lifelong learners.
5. Commitment to establishing and maintaining positive relationships with students, faculty, and staff, and the general constituency of the college as a friend and mentor.

Classification and Compensation

Library faculty; Permanent, full-time, twelve-month position. Renewable contingent on performance. Salary dependent on education and experience and based upon the established administrative salary schedule.

Application Deadline: Open until suitable candidate found

Contact: Darrell Hobson; Search Committee Chair; Northwest College; P.O. Box 579; Kirkland, WA 98083-0579; E-mail: darrell.hobson@ncag.edu. 📖

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Faculty Member: Systems Librarian
Northwest College

Responsibilities

1. Coordinates planning and management of integrated online library system.
2. Serves as internal and external contact regarding library systems services.
3. Serves as library liaison to an academic division, including collection management.
4. Provides instructional technology support to faculty.
5. Maintains library Web page in coordination with College Advancement office.
6. Supervises Instructional Aids Coordinator student assistant and coordinates Academic Computing Center Lab Technicians.
7. Performs cataloging and authority work as needed.
8. Provides reference desk service and bibliographic instruction as needed.

Qualifications

1. Earned MLS from an ALA-accredited program.
2. Two years' professional library experience, preferably in an academic setting.
3. Familiarity with library automation applications and integrated library systems (ILS), experience with ILS management and NT environment preferred.
4. Familiarity with Web page construction, a major bibliographic utility (e.g., OCLC), and basic office technology.
5. Cataloging experience preferred.
6. Effectively demonstrate the integration of faith and learning, with an ability to apply the Christian theistic world view in professional practice.
7. Demonstrated leadership capabilities, including good interpersonal and communication skills.
8. Commitment to establishing and maintaining positive relationships with students, faculty, and staff as a friend and mentor.
9. Commitment to lifelong learning.

Compensation

Starting compensation dependent on education and experience. This full-time, twelve-month position carries faculty status.

Application deadline: Open until suitable candidate found

Contact: Dr. Darrell Hobson; Search Committee Chair; Northwest College; P.O. Box 579; Kirkland, WA 98083-0579; E-mail: darrell.hobson@ncag.edu.

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