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## From the President Do You Value Innovation? Then Value Diversity Submitted by Timothy D. Lincoln, ATLA President

One of the core values of ATLA is "creativity, innovation, and transformation." Another core value is "hospitality, inclusion, and diversity." (ATLA is the kind of association where sometimes one

word just won't do.)

On the surface, these two sets of values are not necessarily related to each other. Innovation seems to be about smart, persistent people who are willing to take risks. Diversity and hospitality seems to be primarily about how I treat someone else whom I perceive as different from me. I may be very welcoming but not creative; I may be creative and still be a horrible person to be around.

Dr. Rahuldeep Gill, a plenary speaker at the 2016 ATLA conference in Long Beach, challenged my thinking about the relationship between innovation and diversity in organizations. Dr. Gill, a professor at California Lutheran University, scholar of Sikh literature, and charming communicator, made a compelling argument that engaging diversity is not simply a good thing to do because of ethical or religious reasons.

In fact, research has found that engaging diversity in an organization increases creativity and leads to flourishing. Two or three heads thinking the same thing may simply lead to nowhere new. It might even lead to poor 'group think' actions. Two or three heads thinking differently may well discover new options with which to address stubborn problems.

Dr. Gill challenged his hearers to think about diversity in a community or workplace as an asset, even though it creates discomfort for those used to being in a culturally homogeneous setting or for those who belong to the culturally dominant group. He used the awkward example of Christians trying to explain (for perhaps the first time) what the observance that some Christians call Ash Wednesday

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#### From the Executive Director The ATS 2016 Biennial Meeting Submitted by Brenda Bailey-Hainer, ATLA Executive Director

Last month the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada (ATS) held its Biennial Meeting in St. Louis,

Missouri. Over 400 administrators from ATS member schools and affiliate organizations gathered for learning, networking, fellowship, and the business of the association. The theme of the event was *Missions and Models: the Changing Forms* of *Theological Education*.

ATLA had a presence at the Biennial this year. Attendees who stopped by our exhibit table or chatted with us during sessions all knew about ATLA's databases. We were there, however, to focus on making them aware of ATLA's role as a professional membership organization and the importance of supporting their libraries and librarians. This led to many fruitful conversations about funding librarians' professional development and about library-related initiatives underway at various schools.

One of the best sessions I attended was an update on "The State of Theological Education in Canada" presented by Jeffrey Greenman (Regent College) and Barbara Mutch (ATS). Greenman and Mutch provided some recent research results that illustrated how Canadian institutions are both similar and different than their U.S. counterparts. Within ATLA, we want to be sure that we engage with our Canadian members in meaningful ways and don't make assumptions that their experiences are exactly the same as everyone else's. (BTW - I was pleased to see 7 Canadians attending the ATLA Annual Conference in Long Beach this year, but it's time to hold an ATLA conference in Canada again!)

Earlier this year Daniel Aleshire, ATS Executive Director, announced that he will be retiring in 2017 after more than 27 years of service to ATS. Aleshire closed the meeting with an emotional reminiscence of his career in theological education. The group responded with a long standing ovation in tribute to his many contributions at ATS.

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was about to a person with no cultural references for it. You may access slides showing the main points of Dr. Gill's talk at: <u>RahuldeepGill.com/diversity</u>.

Do you have examples of how diversity in your library or school fed innovation? I'd love to hear about them.

#### From the Executive Director continued

The next Biennial will be held in Denver, Colorado, in June 2018. There will be more than simply a change of scenery for this meeting. Aleshire's retirement marks the end of an era for ATS. The search for his successor is already underway. The background and leadership style of the new executive will no doubt shape the future direction of ATS.

## **ATLA Committee Transitions**

Much of the work accomplished toward meeting <u>ATLA's</u> <u>Organizational Ends</u> (<u>https://www.atla.com/about/who/</u> <u>Pages/MissionStatement.aspx</u>) is done by Individual and Lifetime Members who serve on committees. Our thanks go to those who are ending their terms and a warm welcome is extended to those who are beginning their service.

#### Thank you for your service:

- Conference Committee: Liz Leahy, Michelle Spomer, Suzanne Estelle-Holmer
- Committee for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion: Shanee' Yvette Murrain
- Professional Development Committee: Jennifer Ulrich
- Theological Librarianship Editorial Board: David R. Stewart, Ronald W. Crown

# The membership of each of ATLA's committees for 2016-2017, as of July 1, 2016, includes:

#### Committee of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

- Nicholas Weiss, chair
- Bonggun Baek
- Gabriel Ortiz
- · Ondrea Murphy
- Donna Wells

#### **Conference Committee**

- · Miranda Bennett, chair
- Robert Burgess
- Erica Durham
- Pat Graham
- Rebecca Mendelson
- Shanee' Yvette Murrain
- Matthew Thiesen
- Paul Tippey

#### **Endowment Committee**

- Sharon Taylor, chair
- Marti Alt
- Eric Benoy
- Dennis Swanson

#### **Professional Development Committee**

- · Megan Welsh, chair
- Yasmine Abou-El-Kheir
- Martha Adkins
- · Michael Bradford
- Wesley Custer
- James Estes

## Join Jamie LaRue, Dr. Nancy Arnison at the IFLA RELINDIAL SIG Meeting

Jamie LaRue, Director of ALA's Office for Intellectual Freedom and Dr. Nancy Arnison, Director of the Theological Book Network are keynotes for the IFLA RELINDIAL SIG Meeting (Religions: Libraries and Dialogue Special Interest Group) sponsored by ATLA on Friday, 12 August 2016 from 9:00 am-4:00 pm at Ohio Dominican University in Columbus, OH. Their remarks, as well as those from panelists of four different faiths and three presenters of invited papers will focus on the theme of the meeting, *Fostering Global Communication Among Religions and Libraries*. <u>View the full program (https:// events.atla.com/rsm/rsm2016/schedConf/program)</u>.

Registration or attendance of IFLA is not required.

Space is limited, <u>so register now (https://events.atla.com/</u> rsm/rsm2016/schedConf/registration)!

Date: Friday, 12 August 2016

Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Location: Ohio Dominican University, Columbus, OH

Registration: \$50 until July 15 (includes lunch and breaks)

For more information, visit: <u>https://events.atla.com/rsm/</u> rsm2016.

## Copyright for Educators & Librarians Online Course Available

Copyright Law can seem daunting and confusing, so we are excited to share a course for librarians and educators on Copyright Law created by Duke University, Emory University, and The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

<u>Copyright for Educators & Librarians (https://www.coursera.org/learn/copyright-for-education)</u> is a course available on Coursera.org. This five-week course is a professional development opportunity designed to provide a basic introduction to US copyright law that empowers educators and librarians. This course covers the history of copyright ownership and what it means in an educational context; exceptions in copyright law for libraries and educational instructors; and Fair Use and what that means for educators and librarians.

Learn more: <u>https://www.coursera.org/learn/copyright-for-education</u>

## Umbra: Search African American History, MTLA Workshop

#### Submitted by Sandra Oslund, Bethel Seminary Library

The annual Professional Development Workshop of the Minnesota Theological Library Association (MTLA) took place on Thursday, May 26, at Bethel University Anderson Center. There were 16 people in attendance representing Bethel Seminary/Bethel University, Luther Seminary, the University of St. Thomas, St. John's University, and United Seminary. Maria Stanton, Director of Production at ATLA, was our special guest.

The topic of the workshop was digital humanities with a specific focus on *Umbra: Search African American History* (*Umbrasearch.org*). *Umbra: Search African American History* is a free digital platform that aggregates content documenting African American history and culture. *Umbra* was developed by the Givens Collection of African American Literature at the University of Minnesota Libraries in partnership with PenUmbra Theatre Company.

There were two learning outcomes for the workshop:

- After this session, attendees will be able to will be able to characterize the steps of creating a collaborative digital project.
- As a result of the workshop, participants will be able to identify ways they can contribute to or use the *Umbra* Search project.

Cecily Marcus, Principal Investigator of the *Umbra* Project and Curator of the Givens Collection, started the session with an overview of digital humanities. The *Umbra* Project provides a gateway to digital collections of African American material throughout the United States. Users can create and curate their own collections using #My*Umbra*Search at <u>http://myUmbrasearch.tumblr.com/</u>.

Erin Sharkey and Junauda Petrus then presented their experiences using *Umbra*. They are both artists and work primarily on outreach and engagement for *Umbra*. After sharing their stories, they gave workshop participants an opportunity to identify ways in which *Umbra* could be used in our libraries and institutions. Finally, they led the workshop participants in a small group activity. The groups were given a list of seven scenarios and were instructed to review, discuss, and develop plans for at least one of the scenarios. The scenarios required the groups to consider how we would activate, support or enhance our digital resources and collections in a variety of situations.

In the concluding portion of the workshop, Sarah Carlson, *Umbra* Project Manager, discussed the technology that *Umbra* uses to add material to the collection.

After the *Umbra* presentation, Maria Stanton and Andy Keck led a discussion of the new ATLA Strategic Plan.

MTLA would like to thank the Professional Development Committee of the American Theological Library Association for the grant funding that made the *Umbra* program possible.

## ATLA Calendar

ATLA is around the globe this season. Check out the ATLA Calendar (<u>https://newsletter.atla.com/events/</u>) for a list of events, deadlines, and meetings.

As a reminder, routine maintenance will be performed on ATLA systems on Monday, August 1. You may encounter a brief

interruption of service between 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m (CDT). Services that will be affected include ASE, listservs, the ATLA website, and member community sections. We apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your patience.

#### **2016 ATLA Annual Conference Wrap Up** Submitted by Denise McFarlin, Meeting Specialist

The 2016 ATLA Annual Conference, *California Dreamin': Transformation and Innovation in ATLA Libraries*, was held in Long Beach, California, June 15-18. Attracting over 300 members, exhibitors, and international guests, the conference was a tremendous success. With the help of the local host committee, Southern California Theological Librarians Association (SCATLA), we were definitely "California Dreamin'" – the conference provided everyone with great programming, speakers, and excursions that only complimented our picturesque surroundings. Our Local Hosts did a wonderful job on all of the ideas and events that were implemented for our conference attendees.

Held at the Hyatt Regency Long Beach Hotel, the location simply enhanced our conference experience. It was in a truly wonderful walkable area that allowed our members to explore a variety of areas, including a vast array of restaurants, cultural activities, and, of course, all of the ocean, beach, and palm trees that your eyes could feast upon. The two hour opening reception was held in the hotel's Seaveiw Rotunda and outdoor pool patio, giving space for members to visit with friends and colleagues throughout the evening. Wednesday was also packed with a full day of workshops and tours of the Huntington Library and The Getty Center. Other excursions included a Beer Hop around Long Beach, and in ATLA tradition, a Friday night baseball game at the Dodgers Stadium. Worship was held in the Roman Catholic, Jewish, and Pentecostal traditions. And, as always, the hosted dinner excursions were well attended. Click here (https:// www.flickr.com/photos/youratla/sets/72157667702229014/) to see pictures from some of the activities at the conference.

A new highlight of the conference was breakfast with the exhibitors each day. Members had the opportunity to hear updates on ATLA products or OCLC products at special breakfast events, as well. Our opening keynote speaker was Bobby Smiley, formerly Digital Scholarship and American History Librarian at the Michigan State University Libraries, currently, the Religion and Theology Librarian at Vanderbilt University. On Thursday, we had an all-conference lunch hosted by the Committee for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, which provided a round-table forum for sharing experiences and discussing ideas about bringing cultural change in an open-minded and hospitable environment. Friday's morning Plenary Speaker was by Rahuldeep Gill, renowned diversity consultant and speaker who gave us the charge: How Can

ATLA Transform Diversity into Inclusivity to Drive Innovation? Our Saturday Closing Event was presented by Jeffrey MacKie-Mason, UC Berkeley's University Librarian and Chief Digital Scholarship Officer. I cannot omit the fact that this year the Board of Directors of ATLA presented major Bylaws changes that consumed us each Thursday and Friday afternoon. With the attentiveness and commitment of our members the Bylaws were passed within the allotted time frame. The time allotted for the Association Update, including a moment to honor who had passed away (ATLA Remembers https://newsletter.atla. com/2016/atla-remembers-jeschke-irvine-holifield-brice/), was shortened to accommodated for the Bylaws Discussion. In lieu of an Association Update presentation, an infographic (http://www.atla.com/Members/conference/Documents/ Association Update FY16.pdf) with key measures was shared with members present.

With over one hundred additional papers, conversation groups, workshops, interest groups, panels, listen and learns, pre-conference workshops, poster sessions, exhibitor showcases, denominational meetings, diverse worship services, and committee/regional group lunches, it is safe to say that the 2016 ATLA Annual Conference, once again, provided something for everyone.

Finally, a huge thank you to everyone that contributed to the overall success of our conference: the Conference Committee members, the Board of Directors, our speakers, presiders, regional, denominational, and interest group members, ATLA staff, and all the ATLA members who make me feel extremely proud to be a part of this great association. I feel extremely fortunate, privileged, and grateful.

And as always, we are already planning our next ATLA conference. Join us in Atlanta, Georgia, June 14-17, 2017, for *Southern Harmony, The Human Touch in the Digital Age*, hosted by the following institutions: Columbia Theological Seminary, Pitts Theology Library-Candler School of Theology-Emory University, Erskine Theological Seminary, Robert W. Woodruff Library, Atlanta University Center-The Interdenominational Theological Center, and Mercer University-McAfee School of Theology at the Crowne Plaza Ravinia Hotel. The Conference Committee will launch the proposal form soon, so stay tuned for further details via the 2017 conference website and in other future communications.

### Notes from the Road: Society for Scholarly Publishing 2016 Submitted by Maria Stanton, Director of Production

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I attended and presented at the 38th Annual Society for Scholarly Publishing (SSP) meeting held in Vancouver, BC, Canada, from June 1-3, 2016.

The theme of the conference was *Crossing Boundaries: New Horizons in Scholarly Communication.* 

SSP always attracts a cross section of publishers, librarians, authors, and researchers to reflect on changes and innovations within scholarly publishing. SSP's goal is to present both models of new collaboration or processes as well as speakers who will challenge assumptions.

The highlight for me was David Phillip's presentation about knowledge mobilization, the transfer of new information from formal research into active use. David Phipps manages all research grants and agreements, including knowledge and technology transfer, for York University and York's award winning Knowledge Mobilization Unit (http://yfile.news.yorku.ca/2016/02/07/york-universitys-knowledge-mobilization-unit-celebrates-10-years-of-service/).

Phillips spoke to the importance of knowledge or research having a demonstrable impact on the community. These impacts are measured by demonstrable changes in products, policy, practice, and processes that benefit real individuals. In his role, a community leader can call Phillips to request help with a research project. He presented case studies in which he assigned a graduate student to support this type community requested research.

The Heat Registry study fully illustrated value of knowledge mobilization. Tanya Gulliver, a Master's student, worked with the community to develop Toronto's hot weather response plan. Gulliver worked with a team that analyzed healthrelated issues for different temperatures. From that, they developed a community-based response plan. The registry is a list of people at risk for health-related issues. Toronto's guide explains how to set up the registry and described types of actions that will be taken on behalf of these individuals depending on the temperatures.

My own presentation was during a pre-meeting seminar entitled *Playing Global Moneyball and Impactball Well: Tools and Case Studies for Publishing Intelligently in International Markets.* I spoke to the intentional changes ATLA has made since 2011 to expand our coverage and editorial reach beyond the US, specifically, our commitment to globalization. My theme related to relationship building; essentially that the foundation of our success in adding content that originates from other countries has been due to our willingness to travel to meet with individuals where they are and to understand their culture and their unique concerns. I described the impact of attending the Frankfurt Book Fair; for example, since the first trip in 2012, more than 75% of our licensed titles are from outside the US. My presentation also highlighted the value of collaboration with like-minded organizations such the Theological Book Network and other theological library associations.

It was an honor to represent ATLA at SSP. I am happy to <u>discuss</u> the meeting further.

## **Exploring the History of Librarianship**

While you may know the history of librarianship, and more specifically, public librarianship, we have found an audio podcast that explores a unique perspective on the history of librarianship through the lenses of gender and race.

Stuff Mom Never Told You (http://www.stuffmomnevertoldyou. com/) is a podcast from the <u>HowStuffWorks (http://www.howstuffworks.com/)</u> Network hosted by two curious researchers who "skillfully decode the biology, psychology and sociology of ladies and gents, from their evolutionary past to millennial present, to better understand all the Stuff Mom Never Told You."

This two-part series discusses the history of librarianship in America beginning from the Victorian Era to the Modern day; from Melvil Dewey and the American Library Association to the women who shaped the library community.

You can download or stream the episodes:

- Librarians Part I (http://www.stuffmomnevertoldyou. com/podcasts/librarians-part-1/)
- Librarians Part II (http://www.stuffmomnevertoldyou. com/podcasts/librarians-part-2/)

You may also see a <u>list of their sources</u> (<u>http://www.stuffmomnevertoldyou.com/podcasts/librarians-part-1/</u>) (we love our sources!) and learn more. It has us thinking, should we do a history of theological librarianship?

## ATLA Remembers Jeschke, Irvine, Holifield, Brice

The ATLA Remembers (<u>https://atlaremembers.com/</u>) site is dedicated to remembering and celebrating the dedication and contributions of our members who make this organization an invaluable community.

We have added new memorials to the website that were read at the 2016 ATLA Annual Conference:

- Channing R. Jeschke (<u>https://atlaremembers.</u> com/2016/07/08/in-memoriam-channing-r-jeschke/)
- James S. Irvine (<u>https://atlaremembers.</u> com/2016/07/08/in-memoriam-james-s-irvine/)
- David Holifield (https://atlaremembers. com/2016/07/08/in-memoriam-david-holifield/)
- Diana Brice (<u>https://atlaremembers.com/2015/11/03/</u> in-memoriam-diana-brice/)

You are invited to join in our thankfulness by sharing your own thoughts and memories commemorating the lives of your colleagues in the comment section on ATLA Remembers (https://atlaremembers.com/).

Thank you to the Conference Committee who arranged the Memorials.

Please contact <u>memberrep@atla.com</u> with any photos you may have as we are missing some and would love to include them on the website.

## **ATLA Job Board**

- ATLA, Chicago, IL, is looking for a Metadata Analyst https://www.atla.com/Members/development/jobs/Pages/ Metadata-Analyst.aspx, Member Programs Assistant https://www.atla.com/Members/development/jobs/Pages/ Member-Programs-Assistant-.aspx, and Digital Products Supervisor https://www.atla.com/Members/development/ jobs/Pages/Digital-Products-Supervisor.aspx
- Catholic Theological Union, Chicago, IL, is looking for an Electronic Services Librarian, Paul Bechtold Library <u>https://www.atla.com/Members/development/jobs/Pages/</u> <u>Electronic-Services-Librarian,-Paul-Bechtold-Library.aspx</u>
- Chicago Theological Seminary, Chicago, IL, is looking for a Director of the Lapp Learning Commons (Library Director) <u>https://www.atla.com/Members/development/jobs/Pages/</u> <u>Library-Director.aspx</u>
- Cincinnati Christian University, Cincinnati, OH, is looking for a Technical Services and Systems Librarian <u>https://www. atla.com/Members/development/jobs/Pages/Technical-Services-and-Systems-Librarian.aspx</u>
- Corrigan Memorial Library, St. Joseph's Seminary, Yonkers, NY, is looking for a Director - Corrigan Memorial Library at St. Joseph's Seminary <u>https://www.atla.com/Members/</u> <u>development/jobs/Pages/The-Archdiocese-of-New-York.</u> <u>aspx</u>
- Fresno Pacific University, Fresno, CA, is looking for an Information Literacy Instruction-Distance Learning Librarian <u>https://www.atla.com/Members/development/jobs/Pages/</u> <u>Information-Literacy-Instruction-Distance-Learning-</u> <u>Librarian.aspx</u>
- Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Evanston, IL, is looking for a Systems Digital Services Librarian <u>https://www.atla.com/Members/development/jobs/Pages/</u> <u>Systems-Digital-Services-Librarian.aspx</u>
- Jerry Falwell Library, Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA, is looking for an Electronic Resources Librarian (E-Books), Graduate Research and Instruction Librarian <u>https://www.atla.com/Members/development/jobs/Pages/Graduate-Research-and-Instruction-Librarian.aspx</u>, Coordinator of Graduate and Scholarly Communications Services <u>https://www.atla.com/Members/development/jobs/Pages/ Coordinator-of-Graduate-and-Scholarly-Communications-Services.aspx</u>, and Associate Dean, Research and Customer Services <u>https://www.atla.com/Members/ development/jobs/Pages/Associate-Dean,-Research-and-Customer-Services.aspx</u>
- Moody Bible Institute, Spokane, WA, is looking for a Theological Reference and Instruction Librarian <u>https://</u> www.atla.com/Members/development/jobs/Pages/ Theological-Reference-and-Instruction-Librarian.aspx
- Moody Bible Institute, Chicago, IL, is looking for a Systems and Digital Services Librarian <u>https://www.atla.com/</u> <u>Members/development/jobs/Pages/Technical-Services-</u> <u>Librarian.aspx</u>
- Perkins School of Theology, Dallas, TX, is looking for a Manager 3 (Access Services Manager) <u>https://www. atla.com/Members/development/jobs/Pages/Manager-3-(Access-Services-Manager).aspx</u>

#### **Programs and Projects**

# ATLA Digital Projects Program Overview

Submitted by Andy Carter, Digital Projects Manager

At this year's American Theological Library Association Conference in Long Beach (my first!), I gave a presentation on the progress of ATLA's new Digital Projects Program. I would like to provide a brief overview of the information that I shared, and how you or your institution can become involved.

We are currently developing a digital library platform for ATLA membership. This platform will be based on the most current technological standards, and will facilitate search and discovery for members' unique archival materials. We want to work with you to identify possible digital projects, and to help you navigate the myriad issues around digitization, metadata creation, copyright, and more.

We hope to have this up and running by the end of the year. Our first project will be a migration of the Cooperative Digital Resources Initiative (CDRI) collection from ATLA's website to this new platform. If your institution has materials in the CDRI, I will be in touch with you soon about the migration. And of course, <u>please feel free to contact me directly (acarter@ atla.com</u>) at any time.

Most importantly, though, is the need to make the Digital Projects Program a truly collaborative endeavor. Consistent with ATLA's stated goal of becoming a worldwide hub for scholarly communication in theology and religion, we intend this digital library to be home for a wide range of collections and file types. We need your input to determine what this hub should be called, what collections it should house, and how they should be contextualized. To that end, we will create an advisory board to assist in decisions concerning metadata standards, copyright issues, and content selection.

I know that everyone already has more committee work than they would prefer. This advisory board would be a one-year commitment requiring a single in-person meeting (location tbd). If this interests you, please contact me to discuss it.

If you would like to keep up to date on the Digital Projects Program, you can join our listserv by emailing <u>memberrep@</u> <u>atla.com</u>. This will be a place for project updates, the sharing of grant information, links to new tools and technologies, and hopefully discussion about how to leverage our diverse talents and resources.

Finally, if you have a project already in mind, you can use this form to submit it: <u>http://goo.gl/forms/t5exIRQfcrxnYPdG3</u>. It asks for a minimal amount of information, but it will allow us to create an inventory of possible future projects.

I met so many wonderful people at ATLA 2016, and I am excited about the potential for working together. Let's talk soon.

## Join ATLA and OCLC for a Sustainable Collection Services Demo

Join ATLA and OCLC for an overview and demonstration of OCLC's Sustainable Collection Services (SCS) on July 14 from 1:00–2:00 pm, ET. During this session, you also will learn about a new ATLA incentive program just for ATLA members, the third in the partnership between ATLA and OCLC.

Come learn how your library can benefit by joining eight ATLA members that currently subscribe to the services. In addition to seeing a live demonstration, you will find out how to request incentive pricing and place an order.

Please <u>go here to RSVP</u> (<u>https://oclc.webex.com/oclc/</u> onstage/g.php?MTID=e19006ac0ab04877bce4bf8a9431d6a 8d) and to see a detailed description of the event. Even if you can't attend, please register to receive the event recordings.

We look forward to your participation.

P.S. If you want to participate in the special offer, please contact Craig Johnson, Sales Manager, Collection Management at johnsonc@oclc.org.

## Submit to 2016 Proceedings

We invite submissions of 2016 ATLA Annual Conference presentations and/or committee and group reports for the 2016 *Summary of Proceedings*. The *Proceedings* is a historical record of the ATLA Annual Conference.

- Step 1: Read instructions <u>Proceedings Instructions.</u> pdf (https://www.atla.com/Members/conference/ <u>SiteAssets/Pages/default/Proceedings%20</u> <u>Instructions.pdf)</u>
- Step 2: Email files to memberrep@atla.com
- Step 3: \*New\* Post your presentation, including PowerPoint, handouts, etc., directly onto <u>SCHED</u> (https://atla2016.sched.org/). Follow the instructions here (https://sched.org/support/guide/speakerguide/#uploadfile). Please note: these files will not be included in the 2016 *Proceedings*.

Submissions for the *Proceedings* are due by September 09, 2016.

Those encouraged to make submissions to the *Proceedings* include:

- Conversation group facilitators
- Denominational Group secretaries
- Interest Group speakers and secretaries
- Listen and Learn speakers
- · Panel discussion presenters
- Paper/presentation speakers
- · Plenary speakers
- Pre-conference workshop presenters
- Regional Group secretaries
- Worship Leaders

## FY15 Annual Report Available

The American Theological Library Association's (ATLA) 2014-2015 Annual Report is available to download (<u>https://www.atla.com/about/pressroom/annualreport/Pages/default.aspx</u>).

The report highlights the many accomplishments of the Association, including the work of Association's committees and improvements to ATLA's products.

A report from the independent auditing firm RSM US LLP is also provided, offering an account of the Association's finances at the conclusion of fiscal year 2014-2015.

## Announcing Additions to ATLA Products – July 2016

The American Theological Library Association (ATLA) is pleased to announce the addition of titles now available in *ATLASerials* (*ATLAS*®) and *ATLA Religion Database*® (*ATLA RDB*®).

#### New full-text titles in ATLAS

• Sewanee Theological Review by University of the South School of Theology

#### New indexing titles in ATLA RDB

- Journal of Asian Evangelical Theology by Asia Theological Association
- Asian Philosophy by Routledge
- Al-Masāq by Routledge
- Journal of Media and Religion by Routledge
- *Religion and Society in Central and Eastern Europe* by International Study of Religion in Eastern and Central Europe Association
- Judaïsme ancient by Brepols
- Sociology of Islam by Brill
- 신학과 실천 = *Theology and Praxis* by 한국실천신학회 [Korean Society for Practical Theology]
- Journal of Chinese Buddhist Studies by Chung-Hwa Institute of Buddhist Studies
- Politics, Religion & Ideology by Routledge
- Journal of the Bible and Its Reception by De Gruyter
- Journal of Ancient History by De Gruyter
- · Journal of Early Modern Christianity by De Gruyter

Read the full press release (https://www.atla.com/about/ pressroom/Pages/Announcing-Additions-to-ATLA-Products-%E2%80%93-July-2016.aspx).