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NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Nominating Committee presents as candidates for the ATLA elective offices which are to be filled in 1991:

Board of Directors - three-year term, 1991-1994 (three to be elected):

David D. Bundy, Collection Development Librarian, Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, Kentucky

Linda Corman, College Librarian, Trinity College, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Elizabeth Hart, Librarian, Vancouver School of Theology, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

William C. Miller, Librarian, Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Missouri

John W. Thompson, Head of Cataloging, The United Library, Evanston, Illinois

David J. Wartluft, Librarian, The Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Other nominations may be made by petition, signed by not less than ten (10) full or retired members of the Association and submitted to the Executive Secretary, Susan E. Sponberg, American Theological Library Association, 820 Church Street, Suite 300, Evanston, Illinois 60201, not later than January 25, 1991. After all additional nominations have been filed, the Executive Secretary will prepare the final ballot and mail a copy to all full and institutional members not later than April 10. All ballots must be returned to the Executive Secretary by mail. In order to be counted, ballots must be postmarked not later than May 10. Ballots will be counted during the month of May and a report of the results will be made to the President of the Association not later than June 1.

The members of the Nominating Committee submitting this report are: Diane Choquette, Roberta Hamburger, and Seth Kasten, Chair.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Has it ever struck you how similar a typical Christian prayer is to an early Christian epistle? Both are likely to begin with some form of greeting, then move on to thanksgiving, confession of fault, intercession for others, and exhortation to action. Both are likely to end doxologically. (An idea may be developed at some length in the epistolary form, to serve as the basis for the exhortation, but the basic point of the communication tends to be carried - the Pauline letters being an exception - by the other elements.) We might say that an epistle is a kind of prayer to people, while prayer is a kind of letter to God.

For some reason I find myself struck - not unadvisedly or lightly, I sincerely hope - by these structural elements as the task of writing this presidential message lies before me. I greet you all, in my own name and in that of your Board of Directors and staff. I have much for which to thank many, a spate of others of whose cares and labors I would make you aware, and a plea or two to make for your active collaboration. There's even a confession to be made - so read on.

Greetings. Your Board of Directors and your staff at 820 Church Street in Evanston join me in hoping your undoubted busyness is being productive and your undoubted industry is being appreciated, and that your eye is not dim nor your natural force abated. One of the nicest things about being an officer in ATLA is the opportunity it affords to talk to people about their life and work, both within the Association and outside it. The letters and conversations I have had are privileges of office, for which I am very grateful.

Thanks. Since I write these words less than a week before the day on which the United States celebrates Thanksgiving, it is doubly appropriate for me to try to express the gratitude of all of us for each other as well as my personal thanks for those who have done things for the Association of which I am myself aware. In particular, I would express gratitude to Al Hurd, Susan Sponberg, and Patti Adamek, not only for the regular reports they give me and the rest of the Board but also for their extensive preparation for and follow-up to the meeting of the Executive Committee in October.

Executive Committee. As you will recall, the plan of reorganization we adopted in June combines the Board of Directors with the Index and Preservation Boards; the two program boards had during the recent past been operating jointly under the leadership of a joint program executive committee and our Executive Director for Programs, Al Hurd. This new combination of boards places responsibility for all ATLA operations - index and preservation activity as well as more general membership matters - in the hands of the Board of Directors (and, therefore, in the hands of the entire membership). This reunification of our work as an Association is much healthier, but it is also a great deal of work for these Directors. To manage that work more effectively, an Executive Committee was chosen in June to meet as necessary between full meetings of the Board, and to conduct such Board business as might be required on behalf of the whole Board. This group - Mary Bischoff, Bob Olsen, Sarah Miller, Gene McLeod, Bob Dvorak, and myself - met for three days in mid-October in Evanston. We were joined by Richard Spoor, who chairs the Board's committee on strategic planning, and by Myron Chace, who is head of the Special Services Section of the Photoduplication Service of the Library of Congress and who will advise the Board on technical matters as a repre-

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sentative expert in preservation (much as Tamara Swora, also of the Library of Congress, advised the Preservation Board for some years). Al Hurd, Susan Sponberg, and Patti Adamek attended as ex officio members of the Executive Committee, and their substantial staff work made it possible for us to have a very productive meeting indeed.

Most of our time was spent on strategic planning. Richard Spoor's very diligent and professional work in this area has clarified our thinking a great deal and will continue to do so in the coming year. Further, Al Hurd's extraordinarily capable management of the index and preservation programs enables the Board and its Executive Committee to leave operations to staff and concern ourselves with what is properly a Board's business: the direction and goals of the organization, the principles upon which that direction and those goals are pursued, and the resources needed to do so.

We discussed goals and directions not only for the two programs but also for the Association as a whole, taking up such topics as the relation of ATLA to ATS, the effect of the general financial situation upon theological education and theological libraries, and how to develop our Directors to be more effective agents of the membership in exercising the substantial responsibilities we have. Within the two programs, we discussed journal selection for the Indexes (Sarah Miller, Bob Dvorak, and Jim Dunkly agreeing to serve as a subcommittee of advice to Don Haymes, editor of RIO) and the finances and future of the preservation program (see the article immediately following this presidential message). A subcommittee (Bob Dvorak, Richard Spoor, Al Hurd, and Jim Dunkly) was assigned to continue the preservation discussion between the Executive Committee's meeting and that of the full Board in February. Bob Olsen and Patti Adamek outlined the overall financial picture of the Association (gratifyingly healthy!), and Susan Sponberg reviewed the work of her office, which the Board will evaluate at its midwinter meeting. Particular attention was given to the work of the member services committee of the Board and how it will work with the interest groups in the new ATLA structure. Agenda for the midwinter meeting of the Board was discussed as well, and there was much looking forward to the annual conference in Toronto (which you should be making plans to attend!).

Others. Also laboring on your behalf are the other members of our Board not on the Executive Committee but each of whom has specific things to do in between meetings. Roger Loyd, Mary Bischoff, Norma Goertzen, and Sarah Miller constitute the Financial Management Committee of the Board, working closely with our treasurer and controller. Sharon Taylor chairs the Member Services Committee, where she is joined by Lucille Hager and Seth Kasten in working with Susan Sponberg. Russell Pollard and Christine Wenderoth collaborate with Richard Spoor in strategic planning.

But many who are hard at work for the Association are not on the Board at all. Diane Choquette and Roberta Hamburger on the Nominating Committee; David Bundy, Linda Corman, Sara Myers, and Newland Smith on the Program Committee for the annual conference; Robert Benedetto, Martha Aycock, Alice Kendrick, David McWhirter, Grace Mullen, and Boyd Reese with the Committee for Historical Records; and, by no means least, the chairs and other leaders of our several interest groups. (Consult the ATLA Organizational Directory in the Proceedings, which should be in your hands before much longer, or give a

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT - Continued

call to Susan Sponberg, to me, or to any of the Directors if we can answer questions or put you in touch with someone useful to you.) In addition to these groups, there are many individuals at work on our behalf, such as Betty O'Brien (editor of our Proceedings) and Donn Michael Farris (editor of the Newsletter you are now reading). Give thanks for them all, and give them a call if they can help you - or if you can help them.

We have friends abroad as well. I sent greetings on your behalf to our colleagues in the Association of British Theological and Philosophical Libraries and to the Conseil International des Association de Bibliothèques de Théologie for their joint meeting in London in September. They had kindly invited us to send a representative, and I had hoped to go myself, but that trip proved impossible. Still, those contacts are valuable, and we hope to make more of them as time goes on.

A Confession and a Plea. Now, finally, I must own up to my own sins of omission, or at least to one of them, for it concerns you directly, and indeed you may find yourself in the same graceless state as I. Some time ago, our preservation program instituted a new approach to its work, one designed to attract those with comparatively little money to spend on preservation but who needed from time to time some of the things that our preservation program produces and/or some additional items not in the program. This new approach, called PREFIR, for Preservation Filming in Religion, asks a \$250 investment annually - and the key term is investment. Like many of you, I had decided not to subscribe to the complete preservation program of ATLA, despite my enthusiasm for it, because funds are limited; further, another library very close to mine has a full subscription. What I failed to perceive - and I am entirely without excuse - is that the minimum fee asked was in fact an investment, not for my library's direct benefit (though that benefit is certainly real) so much as for the sake of supporting ATLA's effort, for the sake of ownership and discharge of responsibility as a member of ATLA. That failure in my perception was forcibly drawn to my attention at the recent Executive Committee meeting, and I had no choice but to acknowledge my fault before the assembly and firmly purpose amendment of life. As soon as I got back to my library, I directed that a check be sent to the Evanston office. I wish I had done it sooner, but at least I've now done it. WILL YOU DO THE SAME? Please see what follows on the next page.

James W. Dunkly
President, ATLA

FUTURE CONFERENCE SITES APPROVED

The following sites of future annual conferences of the American Theological Library Association have been approved by the Board of Directors:

1991: Trinity College, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. June 19-22

1992: Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University,
Dallas, Texas. Dates to be announced

AN INVITATION TO PREFIR PRESERVATION

The presidential message is overwhelmingly positive. Indeed, there is much to be positive about. ATLA's reorganization is progressing; the Board's Committee on Strategic Planning is producing significant new initiatives.

Now the President and the Executive Director for Programs must call the ATLA membership to focus its attention on a significant decline in income of the PREFIR (Preservation Filming in Religion) Program and the implications thereof. We and the Board of Directors believe that the membership must recognize and understand this situation. It has been an on-going problem that has developed into a serious one for the current fiscal year. This problem belongs to the entire Association, and the entire Association is responsible for its resolution.

First, some background information on the ATLA PREFIR Program:

* During the past five years the Program has filmed 4,000 monograph titles annually, with a long-term goal to film more than 250,000 titles in 25 years. To achieve this goal we must double the number of titles to be filmed each year.

* The program has built its strategy and reputation on state-of-the-art cameras and film technology that permits a majority of titles to be filmed on 48x microfiche, thus permitting many titles to be filmed on a single fiche.

* Every title filmed is cataloged according to AACR2 rules in the MARC record format. All catalog records are loaded into the major Bibliographic utilities - OCLC, RLIN, Utlas, and NUC - that provide users with multi-national access.

* The program is a cooperative one, supported by a number of libraries in two ways : by providing books to be filmed and by subscribing to distribution fiche copies.

* The program is unique among national preservation programs in that 65 to 75 percent of the costs for preservation have been covered by microfiche subscriptions from ATLA member libraries.

* As a premier preservation program, PREFIR has been able to raise \$1,352,123 in grants during the past four years from a number of sources - National Endowment for the Humanities, Henry Luce Foundation, the Pew Charitable Trusts, and the Lilly Endowment.

With all of these positive things going for the program, why is there a financial problem? Staff had realized by early October that a definite decline in subscription income for fiscal year 1990-91 was developing. In order to substantiate this decline we contacted several previous full subscribers (at \$21,000 per year) and a number of partial subscribers (at \$250+ per year) who had not yet entered and paid for Phase 5 subscriptions. The subscribers we contacted indicated, in every case, that their institutions were experiencing the effect of the general economic downturn with respect to funding as well as insufficient revenues due to a decline in student enrollment. They further stated their strong support for the Program's goals and indicated that their subscription support would be reinstated when their institutional resources improved.

At this writing, staff is projecting from the revenue track record to date that Phase 5 subscription income will be 30 to 35 percent lower than for previous Phases. This drop in the revenue will mean that the Program will need some immediate revisions with respect to its annual goal as well as its long-range goal. There are some things ATLA member libraries need to know:

AN INVITATION TO PREFIR PRESERVATION - Continued

* First, in response to the PREFIR program's financial problems a subcommittee consisting of President James Dunkly, Board members Richard Spoor and Robert Dvorak, and Program Director Albert Hurd was established at the October 21-23, 1990, Executive Committee meeting to assist and advise the Executive Director. This subcommittee has met once since the October meeting.

* Second, we should point out to the membership that the ATLA Preservation Program, by a nearly unanimous action of the membership in June, belongs to the entire Association and is now vested in one ATLA Board of Directors. The program's current financial shortfall is no longer a "Board problem," but it is the problem and responsibility of the entire Association.

* Third, every ATLA member library has been asked during the past three years to do its small part for the preservation of religion and theology materials by investing a modest \$250 in an annual PREFIR membership. To date just under 50 percent of the ATLA member libraries have committed their libraries to preservation by becoming PREFIR members. We now need and will continue to need 100 percent support from ATLA libraries for preservation.

ATLA libraries that have not invested in securing the future availability of monograph and serials literature in religion and theology will have another opportunity to do so in the near future. If every library responded favorably by investing in preservation through a PREFIR membership, the ATLA program would have the equivalent of two full subscriptions annually to plow into its preservation efforts.

Without adequate support, your ATLA Preservation Program will not be able to insure the availability of our rich and varied heritage for the future. PREFIR membership offers every library in ATLA - no matter how large or small - an opportunity to participate in the Preservation Program. PREFIR member benefits include up to 20 monograph fiche annually (at no extra charge), discounts of 25 to 30 percent (depending on purchases) on serial titles, and up to 30 percent discount on microfiche subscriptions (depending on quantity), plus on-demand filming.

In closing, we want you to know that in the near future we will be writing to each individual ATLA member to report on the status of our current grant request placed with the National Endowment for the Humanities in June 1990. At that time we will report to you on any changes that will be made to the Preservation Program. In the meantime, if you have questions about the Program or suggestions for it, please contact either of us at the phone numbers provided below.

Thank you.

Albert E. Hurd, Executive Director
708-869-7788

James W. Dunkly, President
617-868-3450

ATLA RECEIVES FIFTEEN NEW MEMBERS

The American Theological Library Association welcomes the following new members:

Full:

- Dr. Daniel L. Burnett, Librarian, Circleville Bible College, P.O. Box 458, Circleville, Ohio 43113
- Mr. William P. Collins, Bibliographic Consultant, International Baha'i Library, P.O. Box 155, 31 001 Haifa, Israel. Mailing address: 940 Ivy Lane, Cary, North Carolina 27511-4753
- Mr. Paul Galibois, Library of St. Joseph's College, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta T6G 2J5, Canada
- Ms. Elizabeth Hart, Librarian, Vancouver School of Theology, 6050 Chancellor Boulevard, Vancouver, British Columbia V6T 1X3 Canada
- Ms. S. Sue Horner, Editor, American Theological Library Association, 820 Church Street, Suite 300, Evanston, Illinois 60201
- Mr. Ron Jordahl, Library Director, Prairie Bible Institute, Three Hills, Alberta TOM 2A0, Canada
- Mrs. Elaine J. Kipp, Periodicals Librarian, Bishop Payne Library, Virginia Theological Seminary, Alexandria, Virginia 22304. Mailing address: 5924 Peregrine Drive, Burke, Virginia 22015
- Ms. Mary E. Martin, Director, Archbishop Ireland Memorial Library, University of St. Thomas, 2260 Summit Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota 55105
- Mr. Richard D. Thiessen, Mennonite Brethren Bible College, I-169 Riverton Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba R2L 2E5, Canada

Associate:

- Ms. Judith Eisenmann, Librarian, McLean School, 8224 Lochinvar Lane, Potomac, Maryland 20854. Mailing address: 10201 Garden Way, Potomac, Maryland 20854
- Miss Janet Sheets, Baylor University Library, P.O. Box 7148, Waco, Texas 76798-7148

Student:

- Mr. Alvaro Perez, Librarian, Seminario Bíblico Latinoamericano, Apd. 901-1000, San Jose, Costa Rica
- Mr. Larry C. Wild, 2448 East Granada, Phoenix, Arizona 85008
- The Reverend R. Glenn Wooden, Acadia Divinity College, Wolfville, Nova Scotia B0P 1X0, Canada

Institutional:

- The Library, St. Andrew's College, 1121 College Avenue, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan S7N 0W3, Canada

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

The transition of the office of the Executive Secretary from St. Meinrad, Indiana, to Evanston, Illinois, has been made quite smoothly. The procedures for day-to-day operations are in place, and so far lapses in service to members because of the transition have been minimal. As a result of the updated computer system we purchased last summer, we have experienced increased efficiency in operations.

In August, we sent out 131 sets of Library Materials Exchange address labels. If you want to participate in the Library Materials Exchange but did not receive labels this autumn, please let us know. We are happy to add your institution to the mailing list.

Office assistant Marshall Poindexter recently completed the time-consuming task of formatting papers and reports for the Proceedings. The Proceedings will go off to the printer after a final edit. Hearty thanks to Marshall for all his hard work.

1990-91 membership dues continue to arrive. Please remember that the final deadline for dues payment is November 30! If you have not paid your dues, do it NOW, so that there is no interruption in your membership benefits. Please also remember to include the invoice with your payment: It facilitates processing.

Plans are proceeding for upcoming annual conferences. We are finalizing arrangements for group airline and car rental rates for Toronto for next June. As in the past, you will be able to make your own reservations, using 800 numbers. Details will be given in the next Newsletter. We also are working on arrangements for Dallas in 1992 and on site selection for annual conferences through 1996.

Institutional members shortly will be receiving the annual ATLA statistical questionnaire. This year, the questionnaire will have several new instructional notes that, I hope, will make the survey easier to use. The information, for the most part, parallels that which you report to ATS. Conversations continue between ATLA and ATS about how the gathering of statistics might be merged to the benefit of the members of both associations.

On October 21-23, the Executive Committee of the ATLA Board of Directors and several ex officio attendees met here in Evanston. Some general business of the Association - such as budget, the status of the Programs and of Member Services, and administrative issues - was conducted, but a specific focus of the meeting was strategic planning - the purpose, the process, and the problems. Discussions centered on the development of the Preservation Program, the Indexes, Member Services, and ATLA governance.

The subject of interest groups, in the context both of present status and of strategic planning, generated particularly lively discussion. The interest groups are an especially appropriate means by which the ATLA missions to foster professional growth of members, to provide continuing education, and to improve theological libraries can be fulfilled.

Currently recognized interest groups are Automation and Technology; Collection Evaluation and Development; Public Services; Publication; Rare Books and Special Collections; and Technical Services. If you want to belong to any of these interest groups, please let us know so that we can forward your name to the appropriate interest group committee. I also urge interest groups to communicate their concerns and needs to this office.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY - Continued

Happy Holidays to you all from the office of the Executive Secretary!

Susan E. Sponberg
Executive Secretary, ATLA

GEORGE LEES DOUGLAS PASSES

George Lees Douglas died at Baycrest Hospital in North York, Ontario, on July 8, 1990. He had suffered a severe heart attack in 1969 and had been in declining health since then. He was 85 years old. Born in Lucknow, Ontario, Dr. Douglas had served as minister of Knox Presbyterian Church in Woodstock, Ontario, and as Librarian of Knox College in Toronto. In the latter position, he compiled the first list of religious periodicals available in the Toronto School of Theology consortium.

A CALL FOR PAPERS

The Program Committee of the ATLA invites members of the Association to read a paper at the annual conference to be held in Toronto next June. There are still several openings for papers in the conference schedule. Please send an abstract to me at: The United Library, 2121 Sheridan Road, Evanston, Illinois 60201, by January 1, 1991.

Newland F. Smith, 3rd, Chair
Program Committee

WARNING!

In recent months many ATLA libraries have received advertisements for sets of books at substantial discounts but requiring that payment be sent in advance. While some established firms may occasionally require payment of pro forma invoices, such pre-payment is ill-advised when the supplier's reputation is unknown. In a number of recent cases both libraries and individuals have sent money and not received any books. The United States Postal Service has at least one such firm, which specializes in Eastern Orthodox history and theology, under active investigation. Pre-pay only to firms you know. If you have questions or need further information, please communicate with me at: Episcopal Divinity School/Weston School of Theology Libraries, 99 Brattle Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138. Telephone: 617-868-3450, ext. 324.

James W. Dunkly

RAYMOND P. MORRIS, 1904-1990

Raymond Philip Morris died Sunday, October 21, of a heart attack in University Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio, after a brief illness. He was 86.

Raymond Morris was born on March 16, 1904, on a farm near Garnett, Kansas. After attending the public schools in Garnett, he received the B.A. degree from Baker University, the B.D. degree from Garrett Biblical Institute (now Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary), the Bachelor of Library Science (1930) and the Master of Library Science (1932) degrees from Columbia University. During his career, Dr. Morris received three honorary degrees: a Master of Arts from Yale University, a Doctor of Literature from Baker University, and a Doctor of Divinity from Drake University. In 1976, St. John's University awarded him the President's Citation.

Dr. Morris returned to Garrett as Librarian in 1931-32. In 1932 he became Assistant Librarian of the Yale Divinity School and was named Librarian in 1934, a position he held until his retirement in 1972. He was made a member of the Yale faculty in 1941 and was advanced to a full professorship in 1951. During his forty years of service, he was responsible for the growth of the Yale Divinity School Library from a collection of less than 40,000 volumes to one of the world's most distinguished theological libraries, with holdings of more than 300,000 volumes.

Dr. Morris made other contributions to his profession which were both ecumenical in character and international in scope. At various times he served as consultant on library programs to the National Council of Churches, the World Council of Churches, the Interchurch Center, the National Council of the YMCA, the Presbyterian Board of Ecumenical Missions, the Methodist Board of Missions, the Ecumenical Institute for Advanced Theological Studies in Jerusalem, the Institute of Cultural and Ecumenical Research at St. John's College in Collegeville, Minnesota, and the Nanking Board of Founders in China. His work with the Board of Founders resulted in the establishment of the Theological Education Fund backed with two million dollars in funding from the Rockefeller family.

A member of the group which founded the American Theological Library Association in 1947, Dr. Morris served two terms as its president during the early years, in 1951-52 and in 1952-53. His continuing role in the Association was without parallel. He was chiefly responsible for securing the original grant of \$80,000 from the Sealantic Fund, Incorporated, to fund the Association's microtext program and served as chairman of the Board of Microtext from its inception until his retirement. Dr. Morris was also the architect of the ATLA Library Development Program which was financed by the Sealantic Fund and through which some \$5,600,000 in matching grants were made to AATS-related seminaries over a six-year period for the improvement of their library collections. He served as chairman of the Executive Board of the Program throughout its period of operation. Of equal importance to his official administrative position in the Library Development Program was his function as aide, advisor, counsellor, consultant, and friend to virtually every librarian and library who participated in the Program.

Raymond Morris is survived by his wife, Jean Kelly Morris, three children: Thelma J. of Cleveland, Marcia M. Johnston of Arlington, Massachusetts, and R. Philip Morris of High Point, North Carolina, and two granddaughters, Lynn and Leslie Johnston. Interment was in Garnett, Kansas.

RAYMOND P. MORRIS, 1904-1990 - Continued

The Editor of this Newsletter is one of the several theological librarians in America who are fortunate enough to have had the influence, the example, and the support of Raymond Morris from the beginning of their careers - who indeed probably owe their careers to him. To give adequate form to the affection and respect which this experience has engendered is clearly beyond the power of any of us. But the Editor will make the attempt in a single forthright judgment: There is not in the world today - nor will there be for decades to come - a theological library or a theological librarian who does not owe a debt to the energy, the devotion to our profession, and the vision of Raymond Morris.

CONCORDIA SEMINARY LIBRARY CATALOG
TO BE AVAILABLE IN CD-ROM FORMAT

The 145,000-title catalog of Concordia Seminary Library in St. Louis, Missouri, will soon be available in both microfiche and CD-ROM formats. While the microfiche have been available for a number of years in a slightly different visual organization, the CD-ROM product represents a quantum leap forward in search capabilities and patron friendliness, according to David O. Berger, Director of Library Services at Concordia.

The CD-ROM format provides a large number of index points and includes such amenities as Boolean (combining terms with and-or-not), "any-word," and browse searching, as well as the usual author, title, and subject access points. For example, a catalog user might employ the following approach to finding materials:

- a key word in the title and the last name of the author
- a subject term and a date
- the first two elements of a call number (to "browse the shelf")
- a combination of two terms such as "Luther" and "Lord's Supper"
- a specific author, title, and date

The catalog contains records for the collections of the Concordia Seminary Library, the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod International Center Library, the Covenant (St. Louis) Seminary Library, and for a portion of the collection at Concordia Seminary Library in Edmonton, Alberta.

Both the fiche and the CD-ROM catalog products should be available for purchase in February 1991. For more information or to make requests, please communicate immediately with: Catalog Subscription Department, Ludwig E. Fuerbringer Library, Concordia Seminary, 801 De Mun Avenue, Clayton, Missouri 63105. Telephone: 314-721-5934, Extension 292.

REPORT ON USE OF ACID-FREE PAPER
BY PUBLISHERS OF RELIGIOUS BOOKS

In the summer of 1989, the ATLA passed a resolution encouraging the use of acid-free paper by book publishers. As one means of supporting that resolution, the Collection Evaluation and Development Section decided to compile a list of the major religious publishing houses which do use acid-free paper, to aid librarians in furthering the cause of acid-free paper.

This summer a letter was sent to 44 publishers informing them of ATLA's resolution in support of the use of acid-free paper. Attached to that letter was a brief questionnaire asking: Does your publishing house currently use acid-free paper in the manufacture of its books and publications? If so, do you use acid-free paper exclusively? If not, do you plan to use acid-free paper in the future? When? What are the main problems/benefits of acid-free paper from a publisher's perspective?

Of the 44 publishers contacted, 22 replied. Of the 22 which replied, all 22 use acid-free paper. Below you will find a list of these publishers:

- *Abingdon Press (all but program guides & general interest titles)
- Augsburg/Fortress Press
- *Baker Book House (all hardbound reference & most textbooks)
- Baylor University Press (acid-free & recycled paper)
- Cowley Publications
- Crossroads/Continuum
- Hendrickson Publishers
- Ignatius Press
- Indiana University Press
- *InterVarsity Press (95% of all books)
- *Ktav Publishing House
- Mercer University Press
- Paragon House
- Pickwick Publications
- Princeton University Press
- *Random House, Inc. (all first printings, most reprints)
- Scarecrow Press
- Scholars Press
- University of Tennessee Press
- Walter de Gruyter, Inc.
- *Westminster/John Knox Press (80% of books)
- *Zondervan Publishing House (all hardbound; most softbound books)

* Do not use acid-free paper exclusively. Percentage of use in parentheses, if information supplied by publisher.

The publishers which did not reply to our questionnaire are listed below:

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| Beacon Press | Garland |
| Broadman | Harper & Row |
| Cambridge University | Meyer-Stone Books |
| Clarendon | Michael Glazier |
| CSS | Orbis Books |
| Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co. | Oxford University |

REPORT ON USE OF ACID-FREE PAPER - Continued

Paulist Press	St. Vladimir's Press
Peter Lang Publishing	Sheffield/Almond Press
Praeger	University of Chicago Press
Prometheus	University of Notre Dame Press
Religious Education Press	University Press of America

Their non-response to ATLA, of course, does not mean these publishers are NOT using acid-free materials. However, in the absence of any data, we urge individual libraries to contact these publishers and share your concern on this matter. Our combined efforts may help bring about the much-needed change in the religious publishing industry.

Conversely, we urge you to support and patronize the publishers who do use acid-free paper - and tell them you're pleased with their efforts!

Christine Wenderoth
ATLA Board Liaison to
Collection Evaluation and Development
Section

PRESBYTERIAN AND REFORMED LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

The Presbyterian Historical Society, following conversations with members of the Presbyterian and Reformed Library Association, has decided to microfilm a number of early denominational publications of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. The three serials to be filmed in the immediate future are The Assembly's Missionary Magazine; or, the Evangelical Intelligencer, vol. 1-3 (1805-1807), n.s. vol. 1-3 (1807-1809); Missionary Intelligence: being part of the report of the Stanting Committee of Missions, to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. (1811, 1813); and Missionary Reporter and Education Register, vol. 1-3 (1829-1832). These are the earliest serials authorized by the General Assembly to report the work of the committees and boards.

The earliest of these periodicals, The Assembly's Missionary Magazine; or, the Evangelical Intelligencer, is available from University Microfilms on two reels of film in American Periodicals, 1741-1900 (as the Evangelical Intelligencer). However, when buying single reels instead of series or units of series of American Periodicals, the price from UMI is \$100 per reel. The three serials will fit on two to three reels of 35mm film and should be available for purchase from the Society shortly after the first of the year at \$22.00 per reel plus shipping.

Boyd Reese
Office of History
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

NEWS OF ATLA MEMBERS

William B. Badke, Librarian for the Associated Canadian Theological Schools and the Northwest Baptist Theological College in Langley, British Columbia, published an article entitled, "Was Jesus a Disciple of John?" in the July 1990 issue of The Evangelical Quarterly (vol. LXII, no. 3, pp. 195-204).

Sandra Boyd resigned her position as Librarian for Public Services at the Speer Library, Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, New Jersey, at the end of September in order to accept appointment as Director of Public Services at the Regis College Library in Denver, Colorado. She assumed her new duties on October 1 and will be responsible for circulation, reference, and library user instruction.

William P. Collins has been named Bibliographic/Collection Development Consultant for the International Bahá'í Library in Haifa, Israel. His responsibilities will involve the identification and acquisition of publications mentioning the Babi and Bahá'í religions, and the suggestion of resources in other religions and theological disciplines. Mr. Collins was Director of the Library from 1977 until his resignation from that position earlier this year.

Shirley Ann Gunn has resigned her post as Chief Librarian of the James Christopher Pool Memorial Library of the Nigerian Baptist Theological Seminary in Ogbomosa, Nigeria, to accept the position of Director of the Publication Department of the Nigerian Baptist Convention in Ibadan. Miss Gunn had held her former position for the past fourteen years.

Sara J. Myers, Director of the Ira J. Taylor Library at the Iliff School of Theology in Denver, Colorado, was awarded the Ph.D. degree by Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, in August. The title of her dissertation is, "Southern Methodist Women Leaders and Church Missions, 1878-1910."

Boyd Reese, Associate Librarian for Information Services at the Department of History of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, has completed the requirements for the Ph.D. degree in religion at Temple University, also in Philadelphia. His dissertation is titled, "Resistance and Hope: The Interplay of Theological Synthesis, Biblical Interpretation, Political Analysis, and Praxis in the Christian Radicalism of Sojourners Magazine."

Suzanne Selinger, Theological Librarian at the Drew University Library in Madison, New Jersey, served as Chair and Commentator of a session titled, "New Light on Calvin and Calvinism," at the Sixteenth Century Studies Conference in St. Louis, Missouri, on October 27.

CHICAGO AREA THEOLOGICAL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
MEETS IN MILWAUKEE

On October 19, 1990, thirty-one members of the Chicago Area Theological Library Association gathered in Milwaukee for a meeting hosted by the librarians of Marquette University. Members were welcomed by CATLA President, Alan Krieger, University of Notre Dame; by Michael Pate, Assistant Director for Public Services of the Marquette University libraries; and by host librarian, Mike Schilke.

The meeting opened with a brief business session, during which Newland Smith of the United Library reminded attendees that the first meeting of CATLA was held twenty-five years ago at Chicago Theological Seminary.

The special program of the day was presented by Ellen M. Kozak, a Milwaukee attorney who specializes in copyright issues. Ms. Kozak has served on several legal committees related to copyright and has authored several books and numerous articles on the topic. She discussed what a copyright is, what rights it includes, what a copyright protects, what a copyright notice is, how long a copyright lasts, and who owns a copyright, among other related topics. Later in the day, Ms. Kozak conducted a question-and-answer session focusing on copyright law in relation to libraries. She responded to questions that CATLA members had submitted to her by mail, and she also entertained questions from the floor.

In addition to the business meeting and the special presentation, attendees enjoyed lunch at Marquette's Alumni Memorial Union, and had tours of Gesu Church, St. Joan of Arc Chapel, and Memorial Library.

CATLA comprises members from Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, and Wisconsin and meets semi-annually. The Spring 1991 meeting will be at the University of Notre Dame. Officers are President, Alan Krieger, Hesburgh Library, University of Notre Dame; Vice President/President-elect, Norma Goertzen, Mellander Library, North Park College and Theological Seminary; Secretary, Susan Sponberg, ATLA; Treasurer, Joan Blocher, Hammond Library, Chicago Theological Seminary; and Assistant Treasurer and Newsletter Editor, John Thompson, the United Library, Garrett-Evangelical and Seabury-Western Theological Seminaries. For further information about CATLA, contact President Alan Krieger, Hesburgh Library, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana 46556.

Susan E. Sponberg
Secretary, CATLA

BAUSANI COLLECTION ACQUIRED BY INTERNATIONAL BAHA'I LIBRARY

The International Baha'i Library in Haifa, Israel, received in March 1990 the 3,000-volume library of the Italian Islamicist, Allesandro Bausani, who died in 1988. Professor Bausani was a member of the faculty at the University of Rome and was for several years the chairman of the National Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'i's of Italy. Cataloging of the collection is expected to take about four years.

POSITIONS OPEN

LIBRARIAN. Biblical Theological Seminary invites applications for the position of Librarian, which entails full faculty status, including attendance at faculty meetings. Biblical is an interdenominational evangelical seminary (MSACC-accredited) that offers the degrees of M.A., M.Div., and S.T.M. to more than 200 students from a broad spectrum. The collection includes 46,000 volumes, 2,800 microform units, 1,300 cassettes, and more than 200 periodical subscriptions. Bib-Base is used for both acquisitions and cataloging. Responsibilities: Library administration, collection development, reference, bibliographic instruction, working relationships with consortia, oversight of processing and day-to-day operations. Qualifications: M.Div. and ALA-accredited M.L.S.; personable service presentation, ability to conduct library self-study, prepare well-written reports, and undertake projects such as retroconversion or planning of new library building. Starting salary: Negotiable, depending upon background and experience. Benefits include annuity, medical, and four weeks of vacation. Starting date: July/August 1991. Send letter of application, resume, and references to Frederic C. Putnam, Academic Dean, Biblical Theological Seminary, 200 North Main Street, Hatfield, Pennsylvania 19440 (FAX: 215-368-7002).

ARCHIVES SPECIALIST. Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Chicago, Illinois. New, entry-level, full-time position. Responsibilities: Working with 2.5 professionals; primary duties include: 1) Processing collections: arrangement and preparation of finding aids, including OCLC cataloging in USMARC; and 2) providing reference services to family history and other researchers. Also, will be working with volunteers and assist in outreach activities. Professional activities encouraged. Qualifications: M.A., with formal archival training required, history or library science preferred. Good written and oral communications skills required and demonstrated ability to work with the public. Salary: \$20,000-\$24,000, with full benefits. Send letter of application, resume and three professional references to: Elisabeth Wittman, Director, ELCA Archives, 8765 West Higgins Road, Chicago, Illinois 60631. Telephone: 312-380-2818. Application deadline: January 25, 1991.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR. The Graduate Theological Union seeks a Director for The Flora Lamson Hewlett Library: 500,000+ item collection; 25 full-time staff; annual budget \$1.5M; new building designed by Louis Kahn. Exciting and challenging opportunity to lead research library serving 150 faculty and 1400 students in professional and academic programs, M.Div. through Ph.D. The GTU is a consortium of nine member schools, Catholic and Protestant, with affiliation of Jewish, Buddhist, and Orthodox centers. The Library works in close association with the University of California at Berkeley Libraries. The Director is responsible for formulating policy and administering programs covering all phases of library operations. Experience in the formulation of collection development policy and the implementation of library automation especially desired. The Director reports to the President; consults with the Deans and faculty. Minimum requirements: MLS or Ph.D. in Library Science from an ALA accredited school or foreign equivalent. Additional graduate

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degree required, theology or related field strongly preferred. Reading knowledge of one or more relevant foreign languages. Minimum five years administrative experience in an academic library. All qualified applicants welcome; women, racial/ethnic, physically challenged applicants encouraged to apply. Nominations of qualified candidates may be sent. Salary and benefits are negotiable and competitive. Range begins at \$50,000. Send letter of application with current C.V. to: GTU Library Director Search, 2400 Ridge Road, Berkeley, California 94709-1212. Position open until filled.

ASSOCIATE LIBRARIAN. Pittsburgh Theological Seminary seeks a librarian to share oversight of library operations, including an automated system, reference, and preservation work. Responsible for original cataloging (OCLC), special collections (rare books and historical materials), and the Seminary archives. An MLS is required and a theological degree is desired. Position is open in spring 1991. Competitive salary and benefits. Contact Dr. Stephen Crocco, 616 North Highland Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15206.

AUTOMATION AND TECHNICAL SERVICES LIBRARIAN. Pittsburgh Theological Seminary seeks a librarian to help to secure, implement, and monitor an integrated automated system. The person will do some technical services work and supervise academic computing on Library PCs. Requires experience with OCLC, broad knowledge of library operations, and a willingness to work toward a fully automated campus. Competitive salary and benefits. Three year minimum. Contact Dr. Stephen Crocco, 616 North Highland Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15206.

AUDIOVISUAL CATALOGER. The library of the Presbyterian Historical Society is seeking an audiovisual cataloger to join our staff for fulfillment of a three to four year grant. Responsibilities: Catalog practically all audiovisual formats. Will be under the direction of the Associate Librarian for Technical Services; supervises one paraprofessional assistant. Qualifications: ALA accredited MLS degree; thorough knowledge of AACR2 descriptive cataloging rules; broad knowledge of OCLC on-line searching and editing procedures, LC subject headings, and OCLC audiovisual formats; at least one year's AV cataloging experience desirable. Compensation: Minimum salary, \$25,000. Generous benefits package and free center city parking. EOE. National historical library, archives and museum of the Presbyterian Church (USA), located in the Society Hill area of historic Philadelphia. Resume: Resume, including three references should be sent to: Barbara Schnur, Associate Librarian for Technical Services, Presbyterian Historical Society, 425 Lombard Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19147. Telephone: 215-627-1852.