

Covers the current cultural and religious customs concerning death, burial and mourning in the world and covers the major religions.

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Covers five sections on actions; nourishment; words and themes; ideas, books and pictures; signs.

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ANZTLA assists theological libraries in South Pacific

At ANZTLA's 1997 AGM, members decided to donate \$2000 to the South Pacific Association of Theological Schools (SPATS) for their library support programme. Our colleague, Jeanette Little, who has for several years been the librarian at Pacific Theological College in Suva, has been appointed as Library Consultant to SPATS.

In this role Jeanette is based in Suva, but about 50% of her time will involve travelling throughout the Pacific region. She will visit theological libraries, for two or three weeks at a time, assisting library staff in any practicable way – from rearranging furniture to evaluating collections, cataloguing the backlog, or assisting with selection and ordering of new materials.

It is anticipated that our contribution to the funding of this consultancy will be used for the purchase of essential books – both librarian's tools and theological texts to enhance collections. When she becomes more settled in her new role, we hope that Jeanette will give us a fuller picture of what her consultancy involves.

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