

need to involve payment which seems to be the only way in which some of my colleagues will consider working together these days. We still have considerable scope for co-operation and for freely allowing our patrons to use each other's libraries. Where that involves expensive interlibrary loans, there are times when charges are reasonable, but otherwise we should maintain whatever reciprocal operations we have.

To draw out some issues that we might discuss further, it is important to be confident of the purpose of any collection and to be sure that it has long term support. For the same reason that the State Archives do not place regional collections in any institution that does not have an ongoing life of its own, I think it's dubious for libraries to exist in institutions that do not plan a continuing life for the library or which themselves have precarious management.

Another topic which ought to be considered is the retention and discard of material. Theological libraries are very likely to receive donations, usually on the death of a member of the clergy or theological scholar. It must always be made clear by the receiving institution that they have the right of discard as well as retention unless the collection is superlative and needs to be kept together as a collection in its own right. It would be my judgement that that is the case much less often than is considered to be so by the families of the donor.

Retention implies that there is value. We have to add the costs of processing and storage into any discussion of retaining donated material. There should be a clear agreement as to the basis on which the donation is accepted. We should push for right of disposal and should generally integrate the donation into the main collection of our library. It is expensive to keep collections separate and it tends to make the material less accessible to the general user of the library.

To inter or resurrect? The heart suggests revival, the decision may be to bury or at least transplant.

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MAJOR REFERENCE RESOURCES - 1995

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The purpose of this listing is to draw attention to the availability of recently published reference resources in the fields of religion, theology and related disciplines. The annotations are designed to assist with selection decisions. Included are 1994 titles, which were not here in time for last year's list, along with 1995 imprints sighted prior to the end of September of this year.

RELIGIONS

Religions in Australia

1. Humphreys, Robert and Roland Ward. *Religious bodies in Australia: a comprehensive guide*. 3rd edn. 358 Mountain Highway, Wantirna, Vic. 3152: New Melbourne Press, 3152. 0-646-24552 X. \$27.95.

Updates the earlier editions of 1986 and 1988 and adds a number of new features.

Following a general introduction, this guide to the diversity of belief in Australia describes over 300 religious groups which are classified under family headings: Trinitarian Christians; non-Trinitarian; other world monotheistic religions; mental, psychic and other religions; nature and traditional religions and, finally, Buddhism. Bibliographic sources and contact addresses are given. Appendixes provide tables of religion by language spoken and birthplace and there is an index to religious groups and subjects.

The authors confess that their own convictions 'are in line with conservative Reformation theology' (p. 3), but they have consulted widely and appear to have presented their assiduously collected data dispassionately.

This is the most comprehensive guide to the religious scene in Australia and should be in all theological libraries.

Islam

2. *The Oxford encyclopedia of the modern Islamic world*. Edited by John L. Esposito. New York: Oxford University Press, 1955. 4 vols. 0-19-506613-8 (set). US \$395.00.

This major work is designed to provide immediate access to current scholarship on the presence and influence of Islam on a global scale. The work complements the standard encyclopedias and histories of Islam by concentrating on the ways in which Muslims are expressing themselves in the modern world through political and social action. Four hundred and fifty authors cover all facets of Muslim life in five major categories: Islamic thought and practice, Islam and politics, Muslim communities and societies, Islam and society, and Islamic studies. Most entries have extensive bibliographies. Volume 4 concludes with a directory of contributors, a synoptic outline of contents and a comprehensive index. Clearly this set constitutes an important reference resource for all libraries supporting research on the faith and practice of Islam or on Christian-Muslim relations.

3. Bouma, Gary D. *Mosques and Muslim settlement in Australia*. Canberra: Australian Government Publishing Service, 1994. 0-644-35329-5. \$24.95.

Using demographic data and in-depth interviews, the author presents a picture of what it is like to be a Muslim in Australia. The work covers 'the historical background to Australia's religious profile, the patterns of Muslim settlement and the role of religion and mosques in this' (Foreword). The text, tables and bibliographic coverage ensure the importance of Bouma's work for understanding Australia's transition to a multicultural society.

Oceania

4. Moore, Albert C. *Arts in the religions of the Pacific: symbols of life*. (Religion and the arts.) London: Pinter, 1995. 0-86187-186-3.

This volume fills a real gap by exploring the relationship between religious experience and the diverse art forms of the native peoples of Australia, Melanesia, Polynesia and New Zealand. Attention is paid to the symbolism expressed in music, dance, masks and carvings and the work enables 'fruitful connections, contrasts and comparisons across the regions of the Pacific' (Preface). Illustrations are in black and white. There is an extensive list of references, a glossary and general index.

BIBLICAL AND RELATED

Bibliographies

A new series of bibliographies on the books of the Hebrew Scriptures and the New Testament, including the deuterocanonicals, has been launched by the Mellen Biblical Press. Thirty-five to forty volumes are to be published over the next 4-6 years. The first title in the New Testament series is

5. Mills, Watson E. *The Gospel of Luke*. (Bibliographies for biblical research. New Testament series in twenty one volumes, 3). Lewiston, NY: Mellen Biblical Press, 1994. 0-7734-2385-0.

The arrangement for this volume on Luke's Gospel is typical of most planned for the series. There are three divisions - scriptural citation, subjects and commentaries. Entries are to books, essays, articles, dissertations, and commentaries published from 1900-1993. The scriptural citation section, with items arranged verse by verse, is a particularly useful feature.

A recently established Brill series includes the following bibliography covering rhetorical criticism as a mode of biblical interpretation

6. Watson, Duane F. and Alan J. Hauser. *Rhetorical criticism of the Bible: a comprehensive bibliography with notes on history and method*. (Biblical interpretation series, 4). Leiden: Brill, 1994. 90-04-09903-4. NLG 110.00 / US\$63.00.

A division into two parts accommodates the Hebrew Scriptures and the New Testament. Each part is introduced by an essay surveying the history and method of rhetorical criticism as pertinent to that Testament. Then follows bibliographic coverage of the Hebrew scriptures and extra-canonical books, on the one hand, and of Greco-Roman rhetoric and selected topics of New Testament rhetoric, including individual New Testament books, on the other. Essential for all who contemplate studying rhetorical criticism as a methodology for biblical interpretation.

Dead Sea scrolls

7. *The Dead Sea scrolls translated: the Qumran texts in English*. Edited by Florentino Garcia Martinez. W. G. E. Watson translator. Leiden: E.J. Brill, 1994. 90-04-10048-2 (pbk). NLG 52.50 / US\$30.00.

A substantial introduction precedes a translation of the texts, including the full texts of the multiple copies of works such as the *Rule of the Community*. The work concludes with a complete listing of the Qumran manuscripts. The most comprehensive English translation now available.

New Testament

8. Rousseau, John and Rami Arav. *Jesus and his world: an archaeological and cultural dictionary*. Minneapolis, MN: Fortress Press, 1994. 0-8006-2903-0 (hc); 0-8006-2805-5 (pbk). US\$48.00; US\$25.00.

Two biblical scholars, both experienced archaeologists, combine to present locations, artifacts, customs relevant to the life and ministry of Jesus and draw out their implications for research. Following introductory material, the arrangement is alphabetical by subject from 'Aenon' to 'Wood, Furniture'; most entries being accompanied by a bibliography. This attractive work includes maps, tables, chronologies and is well-indexed. It will prove useful for any contextual work on the Gospels.

- Synoptic parallels

9. Barr, Allan. *A diagram of synoptic relationships*. 2nd edn. Edinburgh: T & T Clark, 1995. 0-567-09724-2. £18.95.

Allan Barr's coloured diagram, detailing the relationships between the synoptic Gospels, was first published in 1938. It is reproduced here, but now accompanied by a typically well-crafted introduction by his distinguished son. James Barr places relational questions within the context of modern discussions and understandings of the nature of the Gospels (pp. 1-10). So this new edition reflects both historical and contemporary perspectives and is recommended for every theological library.

HISTORY

General

10. *The American Historical Association's guide to historical literature*. 3rd edn. Edited by Mary Beth Norton and Pamela Gerardi. 2 volumes. New York: Oxford University Press, 1995. 0-19-505727-9 (2-vol. set). US\$150.00.

The Association's purpose is similar to that which informed the earlier editions of 1931 and 1961, namely 'the selection and listing, with appropriate commentary, of the finest and most useful books and articles available in every field of historical scholarship' (Introduction, p. xi). The classified arrangement begins with a section on theory and practice in historical study and then proceeds along regional, national and chronological lines. Each field is introduced and then followed by the citations with descriptive/critical annotations. Stuart Macintyre, of the University of Melbourne, is responsible for the section, 'Australasia and Oceania' (pp. 1526-1546).

which includes some 383 entries. Although there are no specific sections on religious or church history the subject index indicates extensive coverage. No other single work offers such an inventory of recent historical scholarship. Short of acquiring this great work, every librarian should know of its existence.

Ancient

11. *A Dictionary of ancient history*. Edited by Graham Speake. Oxford: Blackwell Publishers, 1994. 0-631-18069-9. £35.00.

A compendium of current knowledge about the ancient Greco-Roman world from 776BC (the year of the first Olympic Games) to AD476. Concise entries, arranged alphabetically, cover major events, institutions, individuals, periods, places and styles. Given the wealth of resources available on mythology, that subject is excluded. References are keyed to an extensive bibliography and appendixes include genealogies and maps. An accessible resource, particularly useful as a support for biblical studies and early church history.

Church history - Baptist

12. *Dictionary of Baptists in America*. Edited by Bill J. Leonard. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 1994. 0-8308-1447-7. US\$16.99.

Following the well-regarded *Dictionary of Christianity in America* (1990), the present work is the first in a series of concise dictionaries on various traditions in American Christianity projected by InterVarsity Press. Articles survey histories, beliefs and practices of specific Baptist movements. There are entries on institutions and important leaders. The work has a wider reference, in that articles on key doctrines, for example 'Baptism', take into consideration other denominational positions. Most entries include bibliographical references. A key resource for students of the Baptist tradition and, more generally, for the study of historical theology.

- Catholic

Two impressive encyclopedias are designed to cover Catholic history, life and thought

13. *The HarperCollins encyclopedia of Catholicism*. Edited by Richard P. McBrien et al. San Francisco: HarperSanFrancisco, 1995. 0-06-065338-8. US\$45.00.

A compendium of Catholic belief and practice which offers an authoritative guide to the people, doctrines, history, worship, art, spirituality, literature, theological developments and changes which have shaped the Catholic Church over all but two millennia. There are feature-length entries on major doctrines, figures and issues. Numerous tables, lists and illustrations. It is ecumenical in the range of topics treated and includes material by prominent non-Catholic contributors. A reliable source on most aspects of Catholicism, past and present.

14. *Modern Catholic encyclopedia*. Edited by Michael Glazier and Monika Hellwig. Collegeville, MN: Liturgical Press, 1994. 0-8146-5495-9. \$US69.95.

Provides a succinct and contemporary view of the beliefs, practices, and history of the Catholic people. Emphasis is on today's concerns and figures. For example, the role of women receives treatment in two lengthy articles and is also touched on in several shorter ones. Includes a selection of classical works of art depicting the life of Jesus, as well as 200 illustrations embedded in the entries. An attractive, easy to use resource concentrating on recent issues.

Note also the *Handbook of Catholic theology*, under 'Theology'.

- Papacy

15. *Dictionnaire historique de la papauté*. Edited by Philippe Levillain et al. Paris: Fayard, 1994. 2-213-02537-1. 1500FF.

A massive, French-language work of some 1776 pages, 912 entries, with summaries, maps, brilliant illustrations, charts and chronologies. It is not simply a dictionary of popes but of all imaginable aspects of the papacy and of its evolution to modern times. The general thrust of the work is historical, political and social rather than theological. Entries, some taking up several pages, are contributed by experts and conclude with bibliographies. An essential guide for work on the history of Catholicism and on the papacy in particular.

- Reformation

Note: Oxford University Press has announced the *Encyclopedia of the Reformation* (title to be confirmed), edited by Hans Hillebrand. It was due for publication in the United Kingdom in September. Clearly it will be a major historical resource.

- Protestantism

Note: Libraries with intensive reference collections supporting reformation studies should also consider the forth-coming (September, 1995) French work, *Encyclopédie du protestantisme*. Edited by Pierre Gisel et al. (Paris: Cerf, 1995. 2-204-05243-4. 980FF).

A Cerf announcement indicates that 300 authors are responsible for 1400 entries on 1700 pages. The work covers cultural and historical dimensions of Protestantism and, in addition, Protestant thought in relation to contemporary issues and questions.

- Missions

16. *Mission legacies: biographical studies of leaders of the modern missionary movement*. Edited by Gerald H. Anderson et al. (American Society of Missiology series, 19) Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 1994. 0-88344-964-1. US\$34.95.

Biographical essays preserve the contributions of seventy five nineteenth- and twentieth- century pioneers of mission, men and women, Catholic and Protestant. The work is divided into several generic categories - promoters and interpreters, theologians and historians, theorists, strategists and administrators. There are also regional groupings: Africa, China and Southern Asia. The essays are scholarly, well-referenced and include bibliographies. Note that the chapters of this book first appeared in the *International bulletin of missionary research*. It is good, however, to have them together in one place and to have the well-compiled indexes to personal names, subjects and places.

THEOLOGY

17. *Handbook of Catholic theology*. Edited by Wolfgang Beinert and Francis Schüssler Fiorenza. New York: Crossroad, 1995. 0-8245-1423-8. US\$75.00.

The English version of *Lexikon der katholischen Dogmatik* (1987), this resource concentrates on Roman Catholic systematic theology, presenting both traditional as well as new categories. The dictionary arrangement includes substantial articles, by leading theologians, ranging from 'absolution' to 'worldview'. Each article is divided into five sections: biblical background, history of theology, church teaching, ecumenical perspectives and systematic reflections. Numerous tables and charts help crystallise the text. Bibliographies refer primarily to English works and there is a subject index. An objective, balanced introduction to basic categories and topics in Catholic theology.

PHILOSOPHY

18. Blackburn, Simon. *The Oxford dictionary of philosophy*. New York: Oxford University Press, 1994. 0-19-211694-0. US\$35.00.

Authoritative and up-to-date. Its 2,500 entries cover the entire span of philosophical endeavour from the Hindu *Vedas* to recent terminology. There are biographical entries for nearly 500 philosophers.

Cross-references are made to related themes; there is an appendix on logical symbols. Those seeking a quality one-volume resource in this field could hardly do better.

ETHICS and PASTORAL CARE

19. *New dictionary of Christian ethics and pastoral theology*. Edited by David J. Atkinson et al. Downers Grove, IL: Inter-Varsity Press, 1995. 0-8308-1408-6. US\$39.95.

Intended for 'pastors, social workers, doctors and counsellors working in a Christian context' (Preface), this resource breaks new ground by combining material on ethics and pastoral theology. It is arranged in two parts. The first includes extended keynote articles which provide overviews of the major theological themes which inform Christian ethics and pastoral theology, for example, 'God', 'Love', and 'Justice and peace'. The second part consists of alphabetically arranged articles. A cross-referencing system allows easy access from one part to the other and there is an index to names. A theological conservatism characterises much of the material.

PREACHING

20. *Concise encyclopedia of preaching*. Edited by William H. Willimon and Richard Lischer. Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 1995. 0-664-21942-X. US\$39.00.

This comprehensive work features entries on the historical tradition of preaching, theological themes and practical preaching. There is coverage also of influential preachers, from the early church until recent times, and these entries are usually accompanied by sermon excerpts. Nearly two hundred contributors, Catholic, Jewish and Protestant, have fashioned this first-of-a-kind resource. An essential support for all work in homiletics.

WOMEN 'S STUDIES

21. Kadel, Andrew. *Matrology: a bibliography of writings by Christian women from the first to the fifteenth centuries*. New York: Continuum, 1994. 0-8264-1676-9. US\$29.95.

The author, who is Reference Librarian at Union Theological Seminary in New York, claims to include every Christian woman who wrote before 1500, and to list all of her writings that have appeared in print, either in English or in the original language, since 1800. Each person-entry begins with a brief description of the author or authors it contains. Then there is a list of English editions, followed by editions in the original languages and then modern editions in languages other than English. The work concludes with a bibliography of secondary sources, a general index and a chronological index. A most useful tool for women's studies and for work on early and medieval Christianity. The introduction (pp. 15-27) should be compulsory reading.

ECUMENICAL MOVEMENT

22. *Ecumenical pilgrims: profiles of pioneers in Christian reconciliation*. Edited by Ion Bria and Dagmar Heller. Geneva: WCC Publications, 1995. 2-8254-1145-0. Fr.29.50.

The fifty pilgrims, chosen from Catholic, Orthodox and Protestant traditions, all helped break down the church's long heritage of division. Among those portrayed are Athenagoras I, Karl Barth, Augustin Cardinal Bea, Dorothy Day and Michael Ramsey. Each entry includes a profile, excerpts from speeches or writings and, in most cases, a basic bibliography. The focus is not so much on biography but rather on the representation of traditions which coalesce in the ecumenical movement.

ART and ARCHITECTURE

23. Apostolos-Cappadona, Diane. *Dictionary of Christian art*. New York: Continuum, 1994. 0-8264-0779-X. US\$39.50.

With over 1,000 entries from 'Aaron' to 'Zucchetto', this work identifies and explains the major signs, symbols, figures and subjects which have emerged in European Christian art, from its beginning to today. Profusely illustrated in black and white. A much-needed, one-volume guide.

24. Speake, Jennifer. *The Dent dictionary of symbols in Christian art*. London: J. M. Dent, 1995. 0-460-86138-7. £20.00.

Biographical accounts of saints, and of objects commonly associated with them, provide the agenda of symbols whose meanings are unravelled here. The deciphering of more than 800 items, Western and Orthodox, animal, vegetable, mineral and every other sort, is well-supported by illustrations. The work includes an authoritative preface and a select bibliography. This is a remarkably comprehensive resource which should usefully complement the standard dictionaries of saints.

- Asia

25. Takenaka, Masao. *The place where God dwells: an introduction to church architecture in Asia*. Hong Kong: Christian Conference of Asia, in association with Auckland: Pace Publishing, 1995. 0-959797-5-7. Circa Aust.\$60.00.

Not strictly a reference work but one well worth highlighting is this confessedly preliminary, but nevertheless valuable, survey of church architecture in Asia. Takenaka, a well-known ecumenical leader and supporter of the arts, provides a lengthy and authoritative introduction. Then the book is divided into Asian regions and countries with architecture being delightfully illustrated through photographs, many in colour, accompanied by commentary. Numerous denominations are represented as are indigenous expressions of the gospel. For all libraries developing collections of materials on the churches in Asia.

NEW CD-ROM TITLE - *CPLI*

26. *The Catholic periodical and literature index on CD-ROM*. Evanston, IL: American Theological Library Association, 1995-. Price, see below.

The good news is that the Catholic Library Association and ATLA are to produce *CPLI on CD-ROM*, the first issue being promised for November 1995. It will provide article and book review coverage of some 160 Catholic periodicals, international in scope and include citations for books on and about Catholicism. The first issue covers from Volume 21 (1981) through Volume 29 (1994).

The annual subscription price for the 1995 issue is US\$865 plus US\$20 for shipping and a retrospective fee for libraries who lack physical copies of volumes from 1981-1994 to a maximum added fee of US\$1,400. For full details of the product and costs contact ATLA.

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