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COMMITTEE & TASK FORCE REPORTS

Conference

Vance Thomas, Central Baptist Theological Seminary, Chair

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Jessica Boyer, Mount St. Mary's University
- Michael Bradford, Wayne State University
- Craig Kubic, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
- Jude Morrissey, Yale University Divinity School
- Derek Rieckens, Catholic Theological Union
- · Oliver Schulz, Colorado Christian University
- Vance M. Thomas, Central Baptist Theological Seminary

YEAR IN REVIEW

As we reflect on the past year, it's clear that 2022-2023 was a transformative period for the Conference Committee. Building on the lessons learned from the previous virtual conferences, we continued refining the hybrid conference experience. The committee started its work in earnest in October 2022. Attention was given to the timeline for the Call for Proposals and related committee work. Shortly after, the Call for Proposals was announced.

In late January 2023, the committee convened in Ft. Worth at the conference hotel to review the proposals and select from the submissions the sessions for the conference. Once the selection process was completed, a tentative schedule was drafted.

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As in past years as the conference date approached, committee members focused on finalizing last-minute arrangements for memorials and local host logistics. With that, we (physically or virtually) made our way to Ft. Worth and to the conference itself.

ATLA ANNUAL 2023 CONFERENCE REVIEW

In mid-June, the association gathered in Ft. Worth and commenced our time together with a hearty, "Hi y'all." It was another year of hybrid participation with participants both onsite and online. With a trimmed-down schedule, association members commenced the business of sharing insights with and support for one another.

This year, attendees were challenged to consider the role of libraries, and specifically theological libraries, as agents of change. Incoming ALA President Emily Drabinski launched us into the conference by urging us to organize for change. After recounting some of the challenges that are part of the current context for libraries and librarians, Drabinski shared a personal story of an impactful moment that shaped her career. She recounted the power of organizing as a collective group of librarians after a management lockout following an impasse in contract negotiations. Her talk culminated with a discussion of four things that professional organizations like Atla can do to help foster change. Our second plenary speaker, Dr. Walter Fluker invited us to return to our foundational impulses toward archiving and preserving information. This impulse, Dr. Fluker states, pushes us beyond a mere posture of nostalgia for the past but also pushes us forward into the future. He imagines Pentecost as a story that is about more than tongues of fire—it is about diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice.

Contributing to the challenges posed by the plenary speakers, many of our colleagues shared experiences and expertise through papers, conversation groups, and panel discussions which kept us busy Thursday and Friday of the conference. Our time together in Ft. Worth concluded with four post-conference workshops; denominational and interest group meetings were held online in the weeks afterward. For those who may have missed a session or two due to conflicts, or maybe you just want to review a particularly engaging presentation, recordings of the sessions are available online through Sched.

This was also the maiden Atla Annual Conference for our new Executive Director, Dr. John F. Kutsko. While the Ft. Worth temperatures may have been a bit oppressive, I hope Dr. Kutsko received a welcome and refreshing reception from the members of this association.

I said it last year, and I will say it again—the real value of the conference, for me at least, is the people. Whether you participated onsite or online, I hope you had an opportunity to connect with one another and to make new acquaintances. Given that we had a larger-than-average number of first-time attendees (42 to be exact), such opportunities were abundant. Even more, I hope you continue to enrich one another and continue to feel enriched by one another in the months to come. I genuinely believe this association and its members are an immeasurable treasure.

ATLA ANNUAL 2022 CONFERENCE: BY THE NUMBERS

Here are the numbers for the 2023 Annual Conference. They illustrate the extent of the participation and the influence of the event:

A total of 235 participants registered for the conference. Of those, 121 were onsite participants and 113 were virtual participants. What is particularly notable is the number of first-time participants—58 (43 onsite and 15 virtual). Also remarkable is the fact that we had 42 international attendees, 29 of which were from outside North America.

The conference featured two plenary sessions, 36 concurrent sessions, four post-conference workshops, and two worship services as well as two vendor-hosted breakfast sessions. Approximately 75 presenters contributed to the program.

Additionally, 15 interest group and denominational meetings were conducted virtually in the weeks following the onsite conference.

MANY THANKS

Before concluding, it is important to express gratitude to the individuals who made the Atla 2023 Annual Conference possible. We extend our sincere appreciation to the committee members who dedicated their time and expertise: Jessica Boyer, Michael Bradford, Craig Kubic, Jude Morrissey, Derek Rieckens, and Oliver Schulz. Special recognition goes to Craig Kubic and the local host committee for their warm welcome. We also acknowledge the invaluable contributions of Gillian Harrison Cain, Jamie Lin, and Denise McFarlin whose hard work behind the scenes deserves more praise than I can muster in these few words.

Thank you, friends. I hope to see many of you next year at the 2024 conference in Long Beach, California.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

David Kriegh, Saint Mary's College of California, Chair

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Elli Cucksey, Trinity Lutheran Seminary at Capital University
- David Kriegh, Saint Mary's College of California
- Kenneth Litwak, Gateway Seminary
- Daniel Smith
- Jennifer Ulrich, Eastern Mennonite University
- Alexis Weiss, Atla Staff Liaison

YEAR IN REVIEW

The DEI Committee welcomed new members Daniel Smith and Elli Cucksey in 2022. Alexis Weiss, a member of this committee last year, joined the Atla staff and became the committee's new liaison. David Kriegh remained on the committee for an additional and final year to continue serving as chair and manage the transition. The committee held its first in-person meeting since 2019, a daylong event at the Hotel June in Los Angeles on February 28, which included a visit to the library at Loyola Marymount University to learn more about how their staff prioritizes DEI matters. Kenneth Litwak retired from Gateway in May 2023 and completed his term on the committee.

Here are the highlights of the DEI Committee's work this past year:

DEI Series blog posts - Although there were no blog posts tagged as DEI this year, the Committee developed a schedule to prepare and release quarterly posts authored by Committee members and invited guest bloggers.

DEI LibGuide - The Committee continued to research and update the various tabs of the DEI LibGuide, recommending the addition of a tab for neurodiversity and placing a greater emphasis on open access resources in the hopes of attracting more traffic to the site.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Scholarship - There were 20 total applicants, although one submission arrived after the deadline. The Committee identified six outstanding candidates and from among them selected Adam Howard, an LIS graduate student at Kent State University as the 2023 recipient of the Atla Diversity. Equity, and Inclusion Scholarship. The Committee requested that the Director award a second scholarship to Shirley Delorme Russell, an Indigenous Librarian intern for the University of Manitoba earning her library degree from the University of Alberta, and was pleased to learn the request was granted.

Atla Annual 2023 - DEI committee members Elli Cucksey, David Kriegh, Daniel Smith, and Jennifer Ulrich hosted the conversational group "Serving Our Neurodiverse Communities: Reflections from Theological Librarians." Elli Cucksey also participated in the panel presentation "Best Practices for Virtual Library Services for Small Libraries," and Daniel Smith was a panelist for "What About the Aqueduct? Or, Does Decolonizing the Library Mean Deaccessioning Augustine?" Both plenary speakers emphasized DEI issues in the field as well.

Professional Development

Becky Givens, Covenant Theological Seminary, Chair

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Becky Givens, Covenant Theological Seminary
- Timothy Lincoln, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
- Kellie Barbato, Roberts Wesleyan University and Northeastern Seminary
- Megan Welsh, University of Colorado Boulder
- Robert Burgess, Mississippi College
- Andy Lofthus, Western Seminary

YEAR IN REVIEW

The PDC began the year with an in-person planning meeting on November 11, 2022, in San Diego, CA, with Atla staff member Jamie Lin, where we brainstormed programs for the 2022-2023 year and beyond.

During this year the PDC worked to promote two new educational programs available through Atla, Library Juice Academy, and Skilltype.

In February 2023 the PCD organized a cohort to take the Library Juice Academy "LRM: A New Foundation for RDA & the RDA Toolkit" class together. A listserv was used to communicate about the class lectures, readings, and the future of cataloging. Thirteen Atla members participated. I personally found being in a cohort encouraging as we navigated this complicated and ever-changing world of RDA together.

The PDC also instituted a Professional Development Hour, encouraging Atla members to reserve time on their calendars for professional development. Members received an email reminder that included suggestions of things to watch or read on specific topics from the SkillType platform, such as AI and ChatGPT. PDC also experimented with developing suggested playlists on various topics

within the platform, but discovered this was not yet fully developed, but might be useful in the future.

The last program we developed for the 2022-2023 year was a Career Development Workshop at Atla Annual. Megan Welsh and Courtney McDonald presented a free three-hour CV & Resume Workshop for Mid-Career Professionals, where members could work on and receive feedback on their resumes.

In addition to these programs for 2022-2023, the PDC also worked on planning two Mentoring Programs, one for Directors, and one for Students and New Professionals. We hope to see these implemented in the future.

Scholarly Communication & Digital Initiatives

Brad Ost, AUC Robert W. Woodruff Library, Chair

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Melissa Chim, General Theological Seminary
- Matthew Davis, Davidson College
- Ann McShane, Emory University, Chandler School of Theology
- Greg Murray, Princeton Theological Seminary
- Brad Ost, AUC Robert W. Woodruff Library
- Erica Pye, Abilene Christian University
- Christine Fruin, Atla Staff Liaison
- Christy Karpinski, Atla Staff Liaison

YEAR IN REVIEW

The committee worked to "foster and advance" digital projects through the awarding of Digitization and OER grant monies this past academic year. A review of entries for the Digitization grant led to the awarding of just under \$9,000 divided between two recipients: St. Paul University in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, and The Ukrainian Catholic University in Lviv, Ukraine. St. Paul University will be digitizing audio-visual materials from the Inuit people (Capturing Inuit Cultural Heritage through Anthropological and Missionary Recordings in the Canadian North) and the Ukrainian Catholic University will digitize unique 17th and 18th century material from the Lviv Dormition Brotherhood (Liturgical Literature of the Lviv Dormition Brotherhood). When completed the metadata from these projects will be added to the Atla Digital Library. Twenty-five hundred dollars in OER grant money was awarded to Ashland Theological Seminary to use in the creation of a multimedia educational resource for its graduate course, The Story of the Christian Faith. Later in the academic year, the committee reopened OER grant applications for 2023.

Additionally, those who were awarded grants for OER work spoke about their experience at the 2023 Atla Annual in a presentation titled *Atla Digitization Grantees Panel: How We Did It and What We Learned.*

The committee also did work in the area of education beginning the process of fleshing out a curriculum for an Atla Scholarly Communications course for <u>Atla Learn</u>. As that work continued the committee also arranged for Dr. Tanya Spilovoy to lead a session titled *Becoming the OER Advocate: Practical Tips and Tools for Campus Engagement*. Dr. Spilovoy is the Director of Open Policy for the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education and an instructor in SPARC's Open Education Leadership program.

Refreshing and renewing the SCDI's Libguides also kept the committee busy. The <u>Digital Humanities in Religious Studies</u> and <u>Institutional Repositories</u> libguides were upgraded to include current information and links.

Finally, we collaborated with *Theological Librarianship* to craft a call for papers for a special forum on the ethical imperative of open access.

Many of these projects and topics were discussed in our in-person committee meeting in Nashville, in October 2022.

Matthew Davis and Melissa Chim will end their terms this June, 2023. To them we extend a huge thank you for all their wonderful work.

INTEREST GROUP REPORTS

Collection Evaluation and Development

Ellen Frost, Perkins School of Theology, SMU, Secretary

MEMBERS PRESENT

- Ellen Frost, Perkins School of Theology, SMU
- Stephanie Garrett, Catholic Distance University
- Marvin Hunn, Dallas Theological Seminary
- · Liz Leahy, Azusa Pacific Seminary

AGENDA

The Collection Evaluation and Development IG met on June 19 via Zoom. Ellen Frost led a quick discussion about the CEAD Ebook panel held on Friday, June 16th. Marvin Hunn noted that Frost had a concrete example of ebook pricing variations to give the publishers, but that the group still lacks understanding as to the range of prices for titles. Stephanie Garrett mentioned textbook pricing for ebooks, which tends to be high; the group consensus was that most seminary libraries do not purchase textbooks in the usual sense. All attendees feel that CEAD can continue to explore the area of ebook publishing.

Frost then suggested several possible topics for sessions at the Atla 2024 conference:

1. Follow-up session on ebooks, either with publishers or aggregators

Frost heard from a board member that John Kutsko, the Atla

Executive Director, was extremely interested in our session and may be interested in having Atla sponsor something similar next year. Frost emailed two Atla staff to follow up on

2. Multilingual Collection Development

This is a conference topic idea mentioned at the 2022 business meeting. Garrett said their institution is completely bilingual (Spanish/English) collection development as of July 1st; Liz Leahy said their institution is trilingual (Korean/Spanish/English). Leahy also shared that there are Korean and Spanish bookshops in the Long Beach area (the site of next year's conference) so the CEAD group may be able to tap into those resources. The attendees agreed that this might be the ideal location for a "Conversation Group" session with these resources available, especially considering the fact that the local host regional group includes Korean, Spanish, and Chinese seminaries. The group agreed that if this conversation group is scheduled before a coffee break, people interested in continuing the conversation would feel free to do so. As part of this conversation, the group discussed translation options and ways to translate for students, patrons, etc. Hunn mentioned leveraging English language resources into translations for students and the copyright legality for libraries. Frost mentioned Atla's Copyright Office Hours hosted by Christine Fruin; Fruin popped in to say she's always available for copyright questions at <u>cfruin@atla.com</u>. Other translation options (Deep Translator https://www.deepl.com/en/translator, Google Translate, and Google Lens, and Canvas' Pronto social media program were mentioned.

3. OCLC Choreo

Choreo, a new collection development tool from OCLC, is a presentation idea for 2-3 years from now. This is a new product offered by OCLC that includes collection analysis and the ability to analyze a library's collection to align with the institution's academic goals and priorities. Tabling this idea for a few years will allow time for schools to try the product and explain how they are using it. Fruin mentioned that Atla offers a discount for Green Glass and posted these links in Chat:

Green Glass demo recording for Atla https://www.atla.com/member-benefits/consortia-oclc/

Garrett and Leahy agreed to work together to write up and submit a proposal for a Multilingual Collection Development conversation group for Atla 2024.

The following members agreed to serve on the 2023/2024 CEAD steering committee:

- · Ellen Frost, Chair
- · Caitlin Soma, Co-Chair
- Liz Leahy
- · Lee Webb

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m. CDT.

Public Services

David Schmersal, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Secretary

MEMBERS PRESENT

- Patsy Yang, Gateway Seminary
- Alexander Justice, Loyola-Marymount University
- David Schmersal, Wright Learning and Information Center, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary

AGENDA

- 1. Welcome new members and briefly describe the nature and scope of the Interest Group
- 2. Debrief 2023 Atla annual conference, specifically the session sponsored by PSIG
- 3. Propose and discuss ideas for a session at the 2024 Atla Annual Conference
 - a. AI/ChatGPT and its potential and actual implications for theological schools and libraries
- 4. Creative ways to refresh orientation, e.g., a scavenger hunt
- 5. Check-in/round-robin
 - a. Anything new?
 - b. Something you are looking forward to
- 6. New officers?

YEAR IN REVIEW

Members of the PSIG planned and sponsored a session offered as a panel presentation at the 2023 Atla Annual Conference: The session was: "What About the Aqueduct? Or, Does decolonizing the library mean deaccessioning Augustine?" Presented by Yesan Sellan, Kris Veldheer, David Schmersal, and Daniel Smith.

There was also some discussion of our custodianship of Atla's Websites on Religion Libguide: https://atla.libguides.com/WOR

ROUND ROBIN REPORTS

Gateway Seminary – Patsy shared some staffing changes and their effect on workload.

Loyola-Marymount University - Alexander is new to the field of theological librarianship, taking a more specialized role at the university where he has served as a reference librarian (and of which he is an alumnus).

OTHER

Our small group enjoyed a lively discussion on topics ranging from print vs. e-book selection to curriculum development to challenges we have seen our students facing. We also noted that the 2024 conference will be much more convenient for the majority of those present, who are based in California.

Small Libraries

Elli Cucksey, Trinity Lutheran Seminary at Capital University, Vice Chair

MEMBERS PRESENT

- Vance Thomas Central Baptist Theological Seminary of Kansas
- Elli Cucksey, Trinity Lutheran Seminary at Capital University
- Kris Veldheer, Catholic Theological Union
- Susan Ebertz, Wartburg Theological Seminary
- · Yasmine Abou-El-Kheir, Chicago Theological Seminary
- John Dechant, Chicago Theological Seminary
- Debbie Bradshaw, Nazarene Theological Seminary
- · Karla Grafton, Hartford International University
- Craig Rosenbeck, Roberts Wesleyan University
- Robin McCall, Union Presbyterian Seminary
- Pat Finnerty, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School
- Stephanie Garrett, Catholic Distance University
- · David Kiger, Milligan University
- Steve Jamieson, Covenant Theological Seminary
- · Seoyoung Kim, World Mission University
- Winette Field, William Booth College
- Helena Kudzia, St. Mark's College

AGENDA

- 1. Call to order
 - a. Officer introductions
 - b. Participant introductions
- 2. Old business
- 3. New business
 - a. Conference reflections
 - b. Ideas for future conference sessions
 - c. Ideas for joint projects
- 4. Items from the group

5. Adjourn

Vance opened the meeting with a round of introductions, beginning with himself as chair and Elli as Vice-Chair. Our Secretary, Karen Clark, was unable to attend. Elli volunteered to keep notes.

Vance acknowledged Susan Ebertz as our fearless instigator/ founder and announced her retirement at the end of this month.

YEAR IN REVIEW

Beginning with the agenda item for Old Business, none was brought forth.

Moving to New Business, Vance called for reflections on the conference. All who were able to attend in person agreed that there is great value in the connections made outside of sessions, as well as during. Online participants acknowledged that participating and carrying on with daily work activities is not possible. There was further discussion of the value of making new connections, particularly with newer members, at the in-person conference.

OTHER

The next agenda item was to bring forth ideas for possible SLIG-led sessions for the next conference. Some ideas suggested were:

- More information on virtual library services
- Maintaining work/life balance, especially in libraries that have seen staff reductions
- Information about ChatGPT or other artificial intelligence applications and how we might use these within a small library context
- Best practices for the use and management of student workers
- Using storytelling in library instruction
- Panel discussion of auxiliary services in the library
- Cataloging and classification for the inexperienced or the untrained

We then asked for ideas about possible joint projects between our libraries. Susan suggested we collaborate on the making and use of instructional videos. John brought up the use of Writing Instruction as part of Information Literacy training. A discussion of Writing Instruction Services and their place within the library followed.

Lastly, Susan asked what each of us was facing as our biggest challenge right now. Primarily we agreed that budget issues and getting administration to realize the value added by the library is everyone's biggest challenge today. Yasmine had suggestions for thinking about how we might pool our voices to try to be heard better.

Special Collections

Kristy Sorensen, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Convener

MEMBERS PRESENT

- Kristy Sorensen, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
- Mitzi Budde, Virginia Theological Seminary
- David Buresh, Virginia Theological Seminary
- W. Field, William Booth College, Salvation Army, London
- Ellen Frost, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University
- Dustin Kelley, George Fox University
- Liz Leahy, Azusa Pacific Seminary
- Erica Pye, Abilene Christian University
- Derek Rieckens, Catholic Theological Union
- Brian Shetler, Princeton Theological Seminary
- Lolana Thompson, Dallas Theological Seminary

AGENDA

Meeting agenda and summary of discussion.

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Reflections on Atla in Fort Worth (or virtual Atla)
 - a. Folks who attended in person missed having the repository tours that were part of past meetings. Liz Leahy is on the planning committee for Atla Annual in Long Beach next year and may see if our group could sponsor a tour for any Atla member to attend. In the past, she organized a tour of the Huntington Library that was very interesting.
 - b. Several sessions were mentioned, and members were encouraged to check out the recordings, which should be available in mid-to-late July, including the session on primary source instruction using rare books and the discussion of Atla Digitization grants.
- 3. Round Robin reports (see below)

4. Ideas for this coming year

- a. Rejuvenate the discussion list (scig-l@atlanow.com). Alexis Weiss collected emails from the people on the call to add to the list. Additional people who would like to be added to the list can email connect@atla.com with their request. Kristy will be set up as the moderator for the list. Use the list to share professional development opportunities, news of interest, and as a place to ask questions and start conversations.
- b. Jérémie LeBlanc (the Atla board president) has been involved in the Special Collections Interest group in the past and would be supportive of us hosting a webinar or other activity relating to our group.
- 5. Adjourn

YEAR IN REVIEW

Highlights and/or summary of your group's activities over the past year.

• No specific activities this past year.

ROUND ROBIN REPORTS

Abilene Christian University –This past year the library hosted the Christian College Librarians (CCL) conference and is working on a large project to transfer audio recordings from a substantial donation into their institutional repository. In addition, the Waynai Bible has recently come back to Abilene Christian after being on a traveling exhibit, and it is bringing a lot of people down into the archives.

Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary – Among other projects, the Austin Seminary Archives partnered with the Presbyterian Historical Society to have material from the Texas Migrant Ministry collection and session minutes from the Texas-Mexican Presbytery records digitized, making this content more widely available to researchers.

Azusa Pacific Seminary – Work continues on the 16 pallets of material that comprise the Henrietta Mears collection, including assisting two different film crews who have been on campus working on films of Mears's life. Another librarian has been taking classes in archives and will be able to start helping with digitization soon. In addition, the staff is getting started in contributing to JSTOR Open Community Collections.

Catholic Theological Union – Over the past year, the archivist has worked to convert binders of paper inventories and collection records into a newly deployed ArchivesSpace instance. The CTU library is also beginning a remodeling project to accommodate offices for McCormick and the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago. The archives is gaining much-needed square footage as part of the project, some of which is being filled with rare books being moved out of the open stacks and material that other faculty and staff have dug up as they move their own offices.

George Fox University - The archives is really starting to open back up post-pandemic and after a staffing transition. The new archivist is currently working on reviewing inventory documents and identifying high-priority collections for more intensive processing. Recently they were able to work with a Native tribe in Alaska to identify tribal materials in their collection that had been donated by missionaries; they have now respectfully returned the materials to the tribe. They look forward to working with additional tribal representatives in the future as they continue to review their collections.

Perkins School of Theology - Perkins hosted a three-day exhibit in April of the Codex Sassoon, the earliest and most complete Hebrew Bible, before it went up for auction. The exhibit, which included Bible treasures from the Bridwell Library alongside the codex, drew many visitors. In addition, the Bridwell Library was chosen as the home for the collections of the recently closed World Methodist Museum, and they are working to digitize material from that collection. In addition to manuscript material, the collection includes many portraits and objects (like John Wesley figurines!). They are looking into creating exhibit space to house a rotating display of that material.

Princeton Theological Seminary - Like George Fox University, Princeton Theological Seminary has also been working with a group to return tribal materials to Alaska, a project Brian was able to present at the recent World Christianity Conference. The archives is hard at work increasing their digitization projects and contributing material to the Seminary's Theological Commons site, thanks to a new scanner. Speaking of new equipment, in July they

welcomed some new exhibit cases to the archives with dimmable lighting! They are also working to re-inventory their cuneiform collection and produce higher-quality photographs of the items. Recently they also started working to pull lists of all their 17th century books as part of an update to the Universal Short Title Catalogue. Finally, the archivist is looking forward to presenting at the upcoming Rare Books and Manuscripts Section (RBMS) conference on a panel discussing provenance and archival documentation, and he will also have a chapter on special collections in an upcoming Atla publication on theological librarianship during the pandemic.

Virginia Theological Seminary - The Seminary recently hired a cataloger and rare book curator, their first time having a librarian with a specialty in rare books. They are now affiliated with the General Theological Seminary in New York City, which has a much larger rare books collection, as well as an institutional archival collection. They are working to inventory the collection and develop a plan for the care and access of the rare books and archives collections for both schools.

William Booth College, Salvation Army (London) – The staff created unique programming for Women's History Month featuring female Salvation Army officers based out of Egypt. The programming included an archival display and tied it into a worship service. They are also celebrating the success of a co-worker who moved on to a new position in a larger institution.

Technical Services

Brinna Michael, Pitts Theology Library, Emory University, Chair

MEMBERS PRESENT

- Michael Bradford, Wayne State University
- Jeff Brigham, Andover Newton Theological School
- Clay-Edward Dixon, Graduate Theological Union
- Leslie Engelson, Murray State University
- Ellen Frost, Bridwell Library, Southern Methodist University
- Heather Hicks, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
- Stephanie Garrett, Catholic Distance University
- Richard Lammert, Concordia Theological Seminary
- Brinna Michael, Pitts Theology Library, Emory University
- Elizabeth Miller, Pitts Theology Library, Emory University
- Seth Miskimins, Bridwell Library, Southern Methodist University
- · Ann Owen, Sacred Heart Seminary & School of Theology
- Sheila Owen, Harding School of Theology
- · Christa Strickler, University of Notre Dame
- Christina Torbert, University of Mississippi
- Donna Wells, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, CC:DA Liaison
- Alexis Weiss, Atla, Atla Funnels Coordinator
- Jessie Zhong, Dallas Theological Seminary
- W. Field, William Booth College
- Helena Kudzia, St. Mark's College

ABSENTEE MEMBERS

- Anna Appleman, Columbia Theological Seminary
- Bro. Andrew Kosmowski, North American Center for Marianist Studies, Secretary
- Armin Siedlecki, Pitts Theology Library, Emory University

AGENDA

- 1. Steering Committee Introductions
- 2. Call for nominations to fill the remaining vacant position
- 3. Liaison Reports
- 4. See "Round Robin Reports" below.
- 5. TSIG Webpage: Liaisons
- Discussed changes to the list of liaisons, including removal of inactive liaisons, updates to roles, and addition of new liaisons
- 7. TSIG Membership Scope
- 8. Proposal put forward by Brinna Michael to change the wording of the membership scope as it appears on the webpage to explicitly reflect the broad range of roles that constitute "technical services"
- 9. Discussion included support for the change
- 10. Recommendation added to remove language specifying "theological librarians" and replace with "members"
- Motion to approve by Heather Hicks, seconded by Michael Bradford
- 12. Draft of new language to be sent out via atlatech-l for approval by mid-August 2023
- 13. Open Discussion

YEAR IN REVIEW

TSIG has had a light year as leadership transitioned from Richard Lammert to Brinna Michael. TCB has had an active year and is growing steadily in readership and content production. TSIG members participated in a consultation with Jamie Carelstone at Northwestern University who reached out regarding subject authority work with the term "Cults" and other related terms. Volunteers met with Jamie to discuss her work so far and provide insight and expertise on the use and misuse of the term.

ROUND ROBIN REPORTS

CC:DA Liaison – Reported by Donna Wells. ALA Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access (CC:DA) will continue meeting online in the future, with two meetings per year after ALA Annual and the midwinter meeting. Largely, CC:DA has been getting reports from RDA, PCC, MARC Advisory Committee, and on the project to update LC Romanization tables. Additionally, updates on big LCSH changes include:

- "Illegal Aliens" has been changed to "Noncitizens", post-coordinated with "Illegal immigration. "Aliens" has also been changed to "Noncitizens". (Nov. 2021)
- "Blacks" has been changed to "Black people"; "Whites" to "White people".
- "Law, Primitive" has been cancelled in favor of "Customary law". Further work to remove all other uses of the term primitive has been undertaken.
- "Marranos" has been cancelled in favor of "Crypto-Jews—Iberian Peninsula". Similar terms for crypto-Jews in specific locations were cancelled in favor of using the consistent practice of "Crypto-Jews--[Place]".
- The proposal to change "Slaves" to "Enslaved persons" was approved and a project is being established to enact all related changes.
- "Capitol Riot, Washington, D.C., 2021" was added (Sept. 2021).
- The N cutters for the term Negroes have been changed across LCC.

Atla PCC Funnels – Reported by Alexis Weiss. To date in FY2023, Atla catalogers contributed 450 name authority records (NACO) and 7 subject records (SACO), both down from last year. The number of contributing institutions has decreased again from seven last year to five this year. Alexis Weiss, Member Engagement Librarian for Atla has taken on the role of Funnels Coordinator for all the administrative aspects of that position. Moving forward, funnel participants with NACO training and independent status will be called upon to act as mentors and evaluators for new NACO

trainees. We will be collaborating with the Association of Christian Librarians (ACL) to train any of their interested librarians. Atla Staff will also now have the opportunity to be trained and join the funnels. Alexis has been in contact with the Library of Congress about potentially offering directed NACO and SACO trainings and is looking for interested participants, both new and those needing/wanting a refresher course.

TCB: Technical Services in Religion & Theology – Reported by Christa Stickler. TCB has continued to grow with an increasing number of submissions and views. The first ever special issue will be published in October 2023 on system migrations with ten articles set to be included. There has been a lot of recruitment from outside of Atla, but the editors would love to see more involvement from Atla members. Christa issued an invitation to submit or reach out to the editors to discuss your ideas/interests/questions. The editors also request topics that readers would like to read about, including software/etc. to be reviewed. Currently, TCB is searching for a fourth editorial board member to help with the increased editorial workload.

OTHER

During open discussion at the business meeting, members raised several points of discussion, summarized below.

Several members voiced a desire for more Technical Services programming both during the Annual Meeting and throughout the year. More practical and area-specific programming allows members to make a stronger case to their respective administrative heads to support their attendance at the Annual Conference.

To address the above, a suggestion was made to hold more regular TSIG meetings throughout the year and to host a conference proposal workshop approximately six months (or whenever the call for proposals goes out) before the Annual Conference in order to encourage submissions/proposals.

Suggestions for conference programming included: a panel on eResource workflows, a panel with aggregators (EBSCO, Project MUSE, ProQuest, etc.) in the style of the "What, Why, and How? Publishers, Ebooks, and Theology Libraries" session hosted by the Collection Evaluation and Development Interest Group at Atla Annual 2023, metadata/cataloging practices regarding materials held

in institutional repositories, disaster planning, and preservation/conservation (potentially as a sponsored guest from a local Los Angeles institution).

Members also voiced an interest in promoting TSIG to new Atla partners, CRRA, to encourage additional participation and new perspectives. Suggestions were also made to potentially partner with other interest groups, such as the Small Libraries Interest Group, to put on programming pertaining to areas of overlap between interest groups.

World Religions

Alexis Weiss, Atla Staff Liaison

MEMBERS PRESENT

- Beth Kumar, Graduate Theological Union
- Karla Grafton, Hartford International University for Religion and Peace
- · Alexander Justice, Loyola Marymount University
- W. Field, William Booth College, UK
- Ellen Frost, Bridwell Library, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University
- Royal Montgomery, Atlantic Institute of Oriental Medicine
- · Alexis Weiss, Atla Staff Liaison

ABSENTEE MEMBERS

- Karen Adjei, University of Colorado
- Megan Welsh, University of Colorado
- Patrick Milas, New Brunswick Theological Seminary
- Yasmine Abou-El-Kheir, Chicago Theological Seminary
- Judy Clarence, Global Ministries University
- Daniel Baek, Vancouver School of Theology

AGENDA

- 1. Discuss the future of the Interest Group
- 2. Call for volunteers
- 3. Year in Review
- 4. New Business /thoughts for the future

YEAR IN REVIEW

WRIG has not met since the last business meeting. Due to a lack of officers, WRIG contributed neither programming nor publication this year.

OTHER

The future of the Interest Group was discussed in light of the previous year. All members agreed that work should be done to increase the efforts of the group in order to maintain the required standards for IGs.

There was a call for volunteers to fill our empty officer spaces. Alexander Justice and Royal Montgomery have offered to serve as co-chairs for 2023-2024. The voting of those present confirmed these positions.

New business looked at offerings that the group could make in the following year. Alexander Justice is in Los Angeles, so will be local for the 2024 Annual. He will work with Royal to plan a session and/or local outing for the 2024 Atla Annual in Long Beach.

DENOMINATIONAL GROUP REPORTS

Anabaptist/Mennonite

Jennifer Ulrich, Eastern Mennonite University, Secretary

MEMBERS PRESENT

- Jennifer Ulrich, Eastern Mennonite University
- Karl Stutzman, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary
- Kevin Enns-Rempel, Fresno Pacific University
- Vic Froese, Canadian Mennonite University

AGENDA

Discussion of each school's highlights

ROUND ROBIN REPORTS

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, IN, USA - AMBS Library said farewell to Information Services Librarian Brandon Board in May 2022. In August 2022, we hired Kajsa Herrstrom as Resource Access Librarian, and rearranged job duties somewhat. Kajsa is a recent AMBS graduate. AMBS continues to have increasing international connections in the campus and online student bodies. We are starting a new Korean distance program and a Spanish certificate program. Our library student staff are all international students. We are exploring collaboration with Mennonite Historical Library at Goshen College and Meserete Kristos Church & Seminary in Ethiopia on Amharic language Anabaptist collections. More on that (including participation possibilities for

other Anabaptist/Mennonite libraries) may be forthcoming after this summer. Kajsa is working with retired AMBS library director Eileen Saner on the reorganization and collection management of our special collections room. We are also working to put some of late professor Alan Kreider's work online (a pre-pandemic project that became a post-pandemic project).

Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, VA, USA - Several librarians have been on sabbatical in the past year. Our Special Collections Librarian and Archivist, Simone Horst (sabbatical Summer 2022), spent her sabbatical reviewing the European Collection of the Menno Simons Historical Library. Volumes were evaluated for binding features and marginalia. She used this information to connect the rare materials in the collection to courses offered by EMU.

Marci Frederick, Director of Libraries (sabbatical Summer 2023), is researching churches in the Brethren tradition and their communion practices. They have developed an unusual unleavened bread for communion (flour, butter, salt, milk/cream, and sometimes sugar). She is looking at how this came to be, who still uses this recipe, and what its making and use can reveal about women's spirituality and church ritual practice in a non-sacramental tradition.

Eastern Mennonite Seminary has started a graduate certificate program in Faith-based peacebuilding.

Fresno Pacific University, Fresno, CA, USA - Our main focus in the Mennonite Library & Archives recently has been digitization of collections. Our initial focus was photograph collections, but has expanded to include university publications (student newspapers, student yearbooks, university magazines), audio recordings, and video recordings. Most of these resources have been uploaded to https://digitalfpu.fresno.edu, where they are available to the public.

Our cataloger, Vern Carter, retired in June 2023. We will not be replacing him in the immediate future due to university budget cuts, so cataloging tasks will be picked up by other librarians.

Canadian Mennonite University, Winnipeg, MB, Canada - Like many universities in North America, CMU is facing challenges on several fronts. We are working to bring enrollment up to pre-COVID levels. Declines have largely been the result of a lower number of international students, but even domestic students are in shorter supply. With tuition income declining, the university has encouraged early retirement for senior faculty, which some have chosen to take that step. It has also introduced a Social Work program, for which courses will be offered in the Fall of this year. Early signs of interest are encouraging, raising hopes that the program can eventually offset enrollment drops elsewhere, if not raise our overall enrollment to a higher level. For the library, of course, this new program means finding affordable ways to provide our students with resources we do not currently have.

Another new development is a donation by renowned Mennonite author Rudy Wiebe of a substantial part of his personal library. The donation includes first editions of all the books he's written and all international language versions. Many of the historical works Wiebe consulted along the way are part of this collection. We anticipate that this addition to the library will be an important resource to our students and perhaps bring a few Canadian literature scholars to our campus.

Anglican and Episcopal

T. Patrick Milas, New Brunswick Theological Seminary, Convener

MEMBERS PRESENT

- Mitzi Budde, Virginia Theological Seminary
- Susanah Hanson, Trinity School for Ministry
- T. Patrick Milas, New Brunswick Theological Seminary
- · Alison Poage, Seminary of the Southwest
- Vincent Williams, Virginia Theological Seminary

AGENDA

- 1. Year in Review Conference Presentation
- 2. Round Robin Reports
- 3. Other
 - a. General Discussion
 - b. Group Convener/Chair

YEAR IN REVIEW

The Anglican and Episcopal Denominational Group sponsored morning worship on June 15, 2023, during the Atla Annual Conference in Ft. Worth, Texas. The service of Daily Morning Prayer derived from the Episcopal Church's 1979 Book of Common Prayer, pages 75-102. Hebrew Bible, Psalm, and Gospel readings were appointed for use in the Episcopal Church on June 15, 2023. Hebrew Bible and Gospel readings followed the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV) of the Bible. The Psalm was from the Episcopal Church's 1979 Book of Common Prayer. Readers included T. Patrick Milas (New Brunswick Theological Seminary), Alison Poage (Seminary of the Southwest), Susan Ebertz (Wartburg Theological Seminary), and John Kutsko (Atla). Milas reported that over 30 Atla Annual participants attended, but wondered if there might have been more if the event were also offered in a hybrid format. Poage thought that the on-site location within the conference hotel contributed to the event's attendance. Budde would have attended if offered online. Hanson thought a Zoom option would be beneficial.

Milas resolved to contact Atla staff about the feasibility of hosting a hybrid event in Long Beach, California for Atla Annual 2024.

ROUND ROBIN REPORTS

Virginia Theological Seminary - Virginia Theological Seminary (VTS) has been in the midst of accreditation self-study. It has affiliated with General Theological Seminary (GTS) in New York City. Melissa Chim of GTS left in January to go to New York University. VTS deployed a librarian to the GTS site in New York City until GTS's Keller Library closed in May. As a result of the affiliation with GTS, VTS's curriculum had to change to include a low residency, hybrid Master of Divinity degree program. VTS maintains digital library resource subscriptions to facilitate library services for distance students. Reference services are provided for GTS coursework. VTS is now assessing its collection, especially rare books and archives. There is a new archivist, Joshua Waits. And a new Cataloger and Rare Book Curator, David Burresh (who had also been helping in New York City). Vincent Williams is the new User Services Librarian; he received an MLIS in December 2022. And he presented at the 2023 Atla Annual.

Trinity School for Ministry - Trinity School for Ministry recently received a large donation of books, the personal library of David Holmes. Hanson is a solo librarian, with student worker support. The new Dean President is Brian Holland from Malone University. The Academic Dean retired in December 2022. There is a new interim dean. Changing expectations have been challenging. A new recruitment professional has been hired. On a personal note, Hanson passed her comprehensive exams and hopes to complete writing within a year.

New Brunswick Theological Seminary - New Brunswick Theological Seminary (NBTS) has a new Executive Vice President, Dr. Neal Presa. Access Services and Reference Librarian Deanna Roberts left for Emory University in December 2022. Plans are underway to re-envision access services for the next fiscal year. In February, Sage Library welcomed the new Archivist of the Archives of the Reformed Church in America, Dr. Elizabeth Pallitto. Cataloging Assistant Fiona Hinds left for St. John's University at the end of April 2023. We are exploring sharing an instance of ArchivesSpace for the repositories of Sage Library and the Archives of the Reformed

Church in America. The results of our ATS self-study are now official, we are reaccredited by ATS.

Seminary of the Southwest - The Booher Library remains under construction, operating out of the Deanery. The plan is to move into the new building in August or September. There is a ribbon-cutting on September 13th. The Library will be renamed to be the Bishop Deana A. Harrison Library (Diocese of Texas). The Booher Library shares Voyager with Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary but is migrating to Koha, hosted by Bywater Solutions. The Library began the ATS self-study process, having just finished the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools reporting. Marlon Patterson is the Access Services Librarian. Duane Carter is the Electronic Resources Librarian and Assistant Director. There are some parttime interns from the nearby school of Library and Information Science. Library traffic has been up post-pandemic.

OTHER

Patrick Milas called for nominations for the role of convener. Milas was encouraged to continue serving as convener. He affirmed that he would continue.

Participants discussed a variety of relevant topics including the Atla Reciprocal Borrowing Program, the real cost of processing donations, weeding collections, selling/recycling materials, and paid/ unpaid internships.

Baptist

Heather Hicks, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Convener

MEMBERS PRESENT

- Heather Hicks, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, TX
- Donna Wells, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, NC
- Bill Badke, ACTS Seminaries, Associated Canadian Theological Schools of Trinity Western University, Langley, BC
- Jonathan McCormick, Gateway Seminary, Fremont, CA
- Patsy Yang, Gateway Seminary, Fremont, CA

ROUND ROBIN REPORTS

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary – Heather reports that President Dr. Adam Greenway resigned in Fall of 2022 and Dr. David Dockery became Interim President at Southwestern Seminary. In spring 2023, the Trustees approved Dr. David Dockery to become the formal tenth President of Southwestern Seminary, Dr. O.S. Hawkins as Chancellor, and Dr. Matt Queen as Interim Provost. The library had a new director start in June 2022 and then changed directors again in November 2022. Along with locally hosting Atla Annual Conference, the library began a large serial project to condense serials 50% to allow for more social gathering space on the first floor. Additionally, the library decided to move from Sierra ILS to EBSCO's Folio ILS through the Mobius consortium set to be completed in March 2024.

Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary – The big project this year is the new 4 seasons pavilion renovation (Ty Williams Memorial Pavilion) now completed with good seating and social gathering space outside right next to the library. While the Southeastern Administration has been stable, a few positions moved around in the library. The Serials Coordinator retired, and the Reference Assistant left for a teaching job. The new serials position required an MLS and encompassed digital serials that were previously overseen by Director Jason Allen. The acquisitions person was moved

into the Reference Assistant's job. A new full-time job was created by combining an ILL Assistant job with the new Acquisition job opening and then filled by a long-time ILL Assistant who holds a Ph.D. Donna Wells is planning to retire at the end of the year. Congratulations Donna on an excellent career and entering a new season of life!

ACTS Seminaries, TWU - Bill Badke explains that the Associated Canadian Theological Schools (ACTS Seminaries) is embedded within Trinity Western University (TWU), and is part of four seminaries, two of which are Baptist. Dr. Badke has created and built the curriculum for a successful required reference and research course. TWU's Library has moved to collecting predominantly ebooks due to increased distance students, surveys, and students not physically visiting the library. They have struggled with the price of ebooks being twice (or more) the price of print books, even with single-user licenses, especially with publishers Zondervan and Nelson, so that the print acquisitions budget doesn't cover the same amount of digital material. TWU uses LibGuides to direct students. Dr. Badke has been invited to write a chapter on information ethics in the Literacy Information Handbook, an international collaboration, scheduled for publication in 2025. Congratulations Bill, we look forward to reading and using this resource.

Gateway Seminary - Dr. Mike Kuykendall retired and left his historic Bible collection to Gateway Library, including exemplars of the history of the development of the Bible from around the world. Gateway is presently working on the best way to receive, process, and display this collection. Dr. Kuykendall's retirement also opened the opportunity for Jonathan McCormack to serve as the Gateway representative to the Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives (SBHLA). The SBHLA is offering grants/scholarships for students interested in studying the history of Southern Baptists and currently digitizing the South Carolina Baptist Newspaper and Kentucky Baptist Newspaper. Gateway Library has one job opening, the position of Public Services Librarian, which will include oversight of the circulation desk. Patsy Yang reports that 2 librarian positions lost during COVID have not been refilled. Director Mc-Cormack took over cataloging from Dr. Bob Phillips and everyone is doing reference work. Patsy is retiring next year - Congratulations Patsy on your upcoming retirement and new season of life!

OTHER

Current issues of banned books, etc. – Briefly discussed how complaints have been handled regarding material that has been asked to be withdrawn. Southwestern and Southeastern Seminaries experienced similar situations where items were removed from display at the request of the administration but not removed from the collection. Southeastern divided its book display into the Seminary's five core values and focused the display books on those values. Southwestern's budget doesn't allow for much spending outside of core theological texts. Bill Badke reports that it has not affected his library but that they did receive a complaint about the shelving location of the Quran. The Quran was shelved on the lower shelves which is close to the feet and considered disrespectful. Gateway Seminary has more of a problem with students wanting books approved by Southern Baptists than actual complaints. They have had a few complaints in the past but nothing recently.

Collection Development Policies (CDPs) – Briefly discussed the revision of CDPs and the move toward electronic resources in reflection on student usage. Gateway resubmits the CDP to the faculty every three years, and it was most recently reaffirmed without revision. Southwestern drastically revised the CDP after COVID to accommodate digital needs and is revising the CDP yearly to reflect FTE enrollment type. This last year, Southwestern Seminary reached 55% online students and has modified the collection policy to prioritize e-resources when possible. TWU has mostly principles of collection development stated in their CDP and focuses more on collection accessibility.

Ebook prices/budget – Discussed the price of Zondervan items, especially ebooks. Discussed successful advocation to reduce prices of ebooks with Wipf & Stock. Agreed that the Baptist denominational list could be used to organize for collective advocation to publishers regarding price reduction.

Reference sections – Bill Badke advises that TWU had to dismantle the reference section when the Learning Commons moved into the main floor of the library. TWU chose to interfile the reference books with the regular stacks but left the loaning restrictions and original labels on the books so patrons can determine usage rules. TWU also expanded digital reference through LibGuides. Donna from Southeastern reports that they downsized their reference section last summer to half the previous size and remodeled the reference area with seating and tables, which has been well received.

Southwestern reduced the reference section 5 to 6 years ago but is looking into further reduction alternatives upon completion of the serials project. Gateway has found that students don't seem to understand what the reference section is and find that they are providing digital reference via Zoom, email, chat, etc.

Campbell-Stone

Carisse Mickey Berryhill, Abilene Christian University, Secretary

MEMBERS PRESENT

- Carisse Berryhill, Abilene Christian University
- · Sheila Owen, Harding School of Theology
- · Jessica Holland, Harding School of Theology
- David Kiger, Emmanuel Christian Seminary
- · Robin Hartman, Bushnell University
- · Chris Rosser, Oklahoma Christian University
- · Leslie Starasta, Lincoln Christian University
- · Lucy Perrin, Pepperdine University

ROUND ROBIN REPORTS

Oklahoma Christian University – New president and provost. Former library director Lee Anne Paris is now at Oklahoma Central University. J. J. Compton, cataloger and archivist, is serving as interim director. Enrollment is sagging. Meanwhile, the library is pursuing "gameful design" in library instruction.

Emmanuel Christian Seminary – Former director Gary Daught is retiring as director of libraries. David Kiger will succeed him on August 1. Current President Greer to retire next year. The library is adding a Student Success Librarian position. The Seminary is adding a hybrid MDiv, as well as DMin.

Lincoln Christian University – Budgetary concerns have produced administrative changes and a reduction in student workers at the library, which now has one librarian, Leslie Starasta. Former director Nancy Olson is working with TCM International. The Eury Library's hymn site will be migrating to a new web format, possibly with Illinois, which originally funded the project through an IMLS grant.

Harding School of Theology – Enrollment is up significantly. Summer courses were up 63% over a year ago. DMin Director Steve Cloer has inaugurated a cohort model in the DMin program and

has added a course called Introduction to DMin Research, which library director Jessica Holland co-teaches. Cataloger Sheila Owen reports that about 60% of their Overdrive ebooks are cataloged in WorldCat.

Pepperdine University - Lucy Perrin, Director and Archivist for the Rushford Center and the Churches of Christ Heritage Collection, participated at the June Christian Scholars Conference on a panel concerned with the preservation of church records in an era when many churches are closing. Also, on the panel moderated by James Wiser were former Lipscomb University archivist Elizabeth Rivera, now University Archivist at Baylor, Carisse Berryhill, and Scott Lambert from Heritage 21. Where Lucy has been carrying liaison duties in religion and philosophy, Kristin Peace will be coming alongside Lucy to help with liaison duties. Pepperdine is emphasizing digital curation and discovery. The library is selecting items for conservation from a gift of 1000 rare books. The library has an open position for University Archivist.

Bushnell University – After 28 years at Hope International University, Robin Hartman has moved to Bushnell University in Eugene, Oregon. Bushnell, formerly Northwestern Christian College, is historically related to the Disciples of Christ and the independent Christian Churches. After beginning as Student Success Librarian, Robin is moving into the Director role at Bushnell and getting acquainted with faculty leaders in MFT, Education, and Bible. Meanwhile, HIU has two librarians, including Steve Jung, who also teaches graduate-level courses in biblical studies.

Abilene Christian University – Brown Library is in its third year with James Wiser as Dean. Carisse works half-time remotely as his Special Assistant for Strategic Initiatives. Craig Churchill continues as theological librarian. Mac Ice continues as the director of Special Collections, including the Center for Restoration Studies collection, with archivist Amanda Dietz and librarian Erica Pye. The library acquired the Landon Saunders papers and recordings, and honored Saunders this spring as the 2023 Friend of the Library. In 2023 Special Collections put a newly acquired first-edition copy of Thomas Campbell's Declaration and Address (1807) on permanent display in its own custom case. Former CRS student worker Dr. Joel Brown is the new President of the Disciples of Christ Historical Society.

OTHER

The participants expressed our eagerness to collaborate on digital collections that reveal unique material held in our libraries from our common heritage, possibly by expanding the Stone Campbell Teaching Archive hosted by ACU, or by other means. Furthermore, we wish to strengthen a sense of networking among ourselves and our colleagues in related institutions. David Kiger offered to host a monthly Zoom discussion to encourage networking and collabora-

Lutheran

Richard A. Lammert, Concordia Theological Seminary, Convener

MEMBERS PRESENT

- Elli Cucksey, Trinity Lutheran Seminary at Capital University
- Richard A. Lammert, Concordia Theological Seminary
- Robert Roethemeyer, Concordia Theological Seminary

AGENDA

Round Robin reports by the institutions represented

ROUND ROBIN REPORTS

Trinity Lutheran Seminary at Capital University – Elli reported that, as an embedded institution of Capital University, the seminary shares not only in having the support of the university, but also in the financial constraints of the university. Capital University has lost its Academic Dean, one Admissions person, and the university pastor. She is the only person in the library, but is supported by 10 to 12 students who work 8 to 10 hours per week. On the plus side, Trinity has recently added Hebrew back into the curriculum. The last accreditation of the seminary went well.

Concordia Theological Seminary – Robert reported on personnel changes at the seminary: two part-time faculty wives are leaving or have left their positions; a new Technical Services Librarian is in place; and a new Access Services Librarian will arrive in August. These additions to the staff are in anticipation of several full-time staff retirements in the next few years. The staff is supported by 3 FTE of student workers throughout the year. The main activities of the seminary in the summer are the Christ Academy for high-school-age students and the summer language programs. This year, the Christ Academy is hosting 100 men and 40 women. The summer Greek class has 23 students, while summer Hebrew has 17 students. Richard spoke of his upcoming retirement at the end of summer.

Methodist

Wesley Custer, Asbury Theological Seminary, Secretary

MEMBERS PRESENT

- Wes Custer, Asbury Theological Seminary
- · Katie Benjamin, Duke Divinity School Library
- Ellen Frost, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University
- Andy Keck, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University
- · Lee Webb, St. Paul Seminary

ABSENTEE MEMBERS

- Paul Tippey, Asbury Theological Seminary
- David Schmersal, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary

AGENDA

- 1. Open
- 2. Round robin
- Nominations for "Vice Chair" and vote
- 4. Adjourn

YEAR IN REVIEW

In the past year, our group has had many discussions on the list-serv. Many of us are waiting to see what impact denominational upheavals in the United Methodist Church will cause in our institutions. Regardless, the work of a librarian with an affinity for Methodist traditions changes very little and the impact of the new Global Methodist Church will affect our administrators and our patrons more than our profession directly.

ROUND ROBIN REPORTS

Asbury Theological Seminary – This Summer, they are hosting the Wesleyan Studies Summer Seminar.

St. Paul Seminary – The library is part of the Mobius Consortium; they are moving to EBSCO Discovery Service/Folio.

Duke Divinity - It was mentioned that they are moving to Alma ILS. Duke Divinity hosts the Center for Studies in Wesleyan Tradition & the Wesley Works project. Duke also hosts digital surrogates of local church archives and history.

Perkins School of Theology - The Wesley Works project is ongoing. They are working with Michelle Taylor and trying to recruit more labor from other Methodist schools and graduate students. The infrastructure may be moving to Emory because they use Amazon webservices. They are hoping to launch Wesley's sermons soon. The Bridwell Library is also working on the World Methodist Museum.

OTHER

For the coming year (23-24) Wesley Custer is the chair and Lee Webb is the vice-chair.

Orthodox

Jane Elder, Bridwell Library, Perkins School of Theology, Secretary

MEMBERS PRESENT

- Lee Webb, Dulaney-Browne Library, Oklahoma City University
- Jane Elder, Bridwell Library, Perkins School of Theology

AGENDA

Our meeting agenda revolved around membership in the group.

YEAR IN REVIEW

The Orthodox denomination group has been hard hit by the movement of members away from theological librarianship over the last two years. Lee and I discussed who had moved, who had retired, and how to work toward rebuilding membership in the group. Our goal is to reach out to ATLA members to encourage their interest in the Orthodox group, which is not dependent on one's institution's denominational affiliation, since both Lee and Jane are at Methodist libraries.

Presbyterian and Reformed

Virginia Dearborn, Princeton Theological Seminary, Secretary

MEMBERS PRESENT

- · Denise Pakala, retired, Covenant Theological Seminary
- Jim Pakala, retired, Covenant Theological Seminary
- Margaret Alkema, Canadian Reformed Theological Seminary
- Robin McCall, Union Presbyterian Seminary
- Steve Jamieson, Covenant Theological Seminary
- Virginia Dearborn, Princeton Theological Seminary
- Becky Givens, Covenant Theological Seminary

AGENDA

Virginia, as interim moderator, welcomed everyone to the virtual meeting. She invited attendees to share introductions, library news, and other institutional updates. No one present had attended Atla Annual 2023 in person; only Virginia and Steve attended some of the conference virtually. Virginia would have attended more sessions but for an unexpected schedule conflict. Becky Givens, who was unable to join the denominational meeting, did attend the conference in person according to her colleagues.

In the reports below, looking for reference librarians and having difficulty offering adequate compensation to attract and retain library staff were clear themes. Adjacent to these were existing theological librarians having to fill multiple roles, having fewer librarians within particular religious traditions (or even familiar with them) in applicant pools, and institutional downsizing or other organizational decisions negatively impacting library staff retention.

Robin, a seminary graduate who completed her library degree in 2021 after being a professor for several years, remarked on the fact that theological librarianship was never mentioned in library school as an option in the field. As another example of seminary graduates entering the field, Virginia mentioned a Princeton Seminary grad who now is a librarian at Candler and Robin knew of an-

other as well. Robin mused about reaching out to her alma mater (and the rest of us doing the same) to advocate for greater visibility of theological librarianship in their programs. Jim remembered the theological librarianship course that used to be taught out of Drexel University, and now there's the course Carisse Berryhill teaches out of the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. Atla members may take that course without paying out-of-state tuition, and perhaps more library schools need to be made aware of and promote it.

Virginia asked if anyone was interested in serving as the new moderator of the group. Robin volunteered and was approved by acclamation. Alexis from Atla mentioned that the member list for the group has not been updated for a very long time. Jim offered to help Robin review the list and make suggestions of others to invite to the group. Virginia also offered to help as needed.

ROUND ROBIN REPORTS

Canadian Reformed Theological Seminary (Hamilton, Ontario, Canada) – Margaret Alkema, Librarian, said that library-wise things have been pretty stable. She is still a solo librarian and the school is still very small. There was some construction going on in the building this past academic year, preventing classes from being held in the building. She was pleasantly surprised that quite a number of students still came in. Some of the building work meant that there was a wall with carrels along it that she could not use from February until May, but she made it work. She is also working on an ATS report and meanwhile needs more time to focus on looking at space requirements for the collection. The library purchases enough print that some areas are tight and shifting is needed, and probably weeding as well, but it takes time to plan.

Covenant Theological Seminary (Creve Coeur, Missouri, USA) – Steve Jamieson, Library Director, said the library has a very active year ahead. Staffing-wise, at the beginning of this past year, campus-wide cuts in personnel also affected the library and they lost a collection development librarian. Today is the last day for public services librarian, Andrew Stout, who is taking a position elsewhere. That position at least will be allowed to be refilled. Covenant is also up for ATS reaccreditation. Steve is on the steering committee for that process and chairing the subcommittee working on the library chapter. Buswell Library is also undergoing a library

system migration, because their consortium, MOBIUS, is moving from Millennium to FOLIO. They're implementing EBSCO Discovery Service as a frontend (or one frontend) for FOLIO. Thankfully, the cutover got pushed back to a more academic-friendly date, after the Spring 2024 semester is over. Also, the library will migrate to a new institutional repository later this year.

Although both Pakalas are retired, Denise volunteers in the library at Covenant, doing work with inventory in the rare book room and database cleanup with authority records and so forth. With the advent and growth of HathiTrust and the Internet Archive, she's now able to add links to freely available resources to the catalog records to a large collection of Bibles translated into many different languages that the library received many years ago.

Princeton Theological Seminary, Wright Library (Princeton, New Jersey, USA) - Virginia Dearborn, Discovery and Web Services Librarian, reported that since our last gathering the Seminary's first African American and first non-Presbyterian President, Rev. Dr. Jonathan Walton, began his term. President Walton is an M.Div. and Ph.D. graduate and former trustee of the Seminary. Outgoing Academic Dean Jacqueline Lapsley is leaving to become the President of Union Presbyterian Seminary. Also, the Seminary has launched two new degree programs, Master of Arts in Theology (Justice and Public Life), which is a two-year part-time, hybrid program, and Master of Arts in Theology & Ecology (MTE), a 13-month residential program.

As of this meeting, Wright Library has open searches for two full-time positions: Reference and Research Librarian and Head of Circulation Services. Foot traffic in the library has yet to resume pre-pandemic levels, as shuttle service from the student family housing is limited, fewer single students are living on campus, and the Seminary drew down its enrollment in recent years. The library has also implemented Sierra via Summon, added LCSH terms (where present) as "Topics" in the Theological Commons open-access digital library, and is being included in a website migration and redesign project along with the rest of the seminary. One library staff member participated in one of the new Life Together courses last year and another will participate this fall. These courses are open to first-year students and taught by a faculty member assisted by an administrator; in addition to course work, each class attends worship together in the chapel followed by eating lunch together weekly and does a service project together.

Union Presbyterian Seminary (Richmond, Virginia, USA) – Robin McCall, the new seminary librarian at Union Presbyterian Seminary, reported that following the departure of Christopher Richardson (who was the most recent convener of our denominational group) at the end of January, she became the new seminary librarian. Previously, she had been working for about two years as the reference librarian. Things have been pretty good so far and a little bit of an adventure. They are trying to find a reference librarian to replace her and someone to replace the director of the Charlotte campus library. She does finally have somebody in an interim position in Charlotte, but the reference librarian search continues.

OTHER

Noting the low attendance at the meeting, Robin asked how we might get more Atla members to join our denominational group. One challenge is that many people working at Presbyterian or Reformed schools are not themselves members of those denominational groups. Jim suggested those of us at PCUSA seminaries could encourage the new(er) library directors and so on at Columbia, Austin, Louisville, and Pittsburgh, to get involved. Denise suggested hosting a short lecture on a topic of interest to Presbyterian and Reformed librarians during our meeting or possibly at another time that might work as a draw. Robin mentioned the Grawemever Award in Religion out of Louisville Seminary together with the University of Louisville, https://www.lpts.edu/friends/grawemeyer/, as a possible source. Not only are all the books that get nominated about religion, but many of them are also specifically related to Presbyterianism. Dr. Tyler Mayfield chairs the program; Rev. Dr. Kelly Brown Douglas is the 2023 award winner. We do not know if and/or how the library is involved in the program, but that could be something to follow up on.

As we were a small group this year, after the introductions, there was some reminiscing about various library building challenges and about the days when John Trotti, who was the seminary librarian at Union for many years, led the Presbyterian and Reformed Denominational Group meetings. Trotti passed away in 2013.

Roman Catholic

David Kriegh, Saint Mary's College of California, Convener Kathy Harty, Sacred Heart Seminary & School of Theology, Secretary

MEMBERS PRESENT

- Jessica Boyer, Mount St. Mary's University
- Ezra Choe, Baylor University
- Stephanie Garrett, Catholic Distance University
- Kathy Harty, Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology
- · Barnaby Hughes, Atla
- Alan Krieger, University of Notre Dame
- David Kriegh, Saint Mary's College of California
- Brian Morin, Mt. Angel Abbey
- Ann Owen, Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology
- Steve Perisho, Seattle Pacific University
- Derek Rieckens, Catholic Theological Union
- Connie Song, Mount St. Mary's Seminary and School of Theology
- Christa Strickler, University of Notre Dame

YEAR IN REVIEW

On June 23, 2023, members of Atla's Roman Catholic Denominational group met virtually as a smaller but lively group. Many of us had just seen each other in person the previous week at Atla Annual 2023 in Fort Worth, but the new conference schedule did not allow for an additional and less formal meeting such as the one we conducted in Baltimore last year. However, we did note that much of what is discussed in our annual online meeting comes to fruition at the annual conference, with useful Catholic-focused content presented to the Atla community. Hopefully, this year's meeting will be the starting point of engaging sessions when we reconvene in Long Beach in 2024. In the meantime, this group is taking the lead in developing a top-level LibGuide at Atla that will provide clear direction for Catholic researchers and researchers of Catholicism. We also resolved to keep an eye on the accessibility of

recently discontinued resources such as *Origins* as well as publications with unpredictable distribution patterns, such as the English edition of L'Osservatore Romano. I hope that our common bonds and institutional diversity will dovetail to provide a foundation for greater collaboration with the shared goal of providing the widest and best resources for our faculty, students, and seminarians, no matter where they are studying.

AGENDA

- 1. Opening prayer: Stephanie Garrett
- 2. Review of 2022 Minutes: approved as submitted to the Annual **Proceedings**
- 3. Welcome, Introductions, and Updates
- 4. Old Business
 - a. Presentation Roundup Ezra Choe, Christa Strickler, Stephen Sweeney, and Kathy Harty all presented at this year's conference. Connie Song attended the Perlego presentation.
 - b. LibGuide Project After discussions with the Atla staff, we have permission to have a top-level guide on Catholicism, rather than being a subset of the World Religions guide. Stephanie had sent out a survey for what to include, but only received six responses. We do not yet have a shell, but will create a Google Doc for ideas.
 - c. Core Print Analysis GreenGlass is not really an option for our group, but it would certainly be a good idea to collaborate in some way between identifying core titles that should be part of any library of a particular type (e.g. seminary library) and identifying which libraries have a particular focus that could be part of a resource sharing network.
 - Stephanie will send out the link to the survey, which will also be sent to the Catholic Library Association listserv by Kathy Harty.
 - Connie has set up a Google Doc for all to contribute ideas.

- Ezra will assist with all duties.
- d. Catholic Library Association Update CLA is moving to a virtual, 2-day conference that combines the awards and presentation content. The 2024 conference is April 25-26. All are encouraged to consider presenting, as well as suggesting awardees for the Jerome Award, given by the Academic/Archives/Library Education section.
- e. Origins no longer operative, and there is nothing similar that gathers less well-known statements and documents. However, the website might still contain previously published items.
- f. David will investigate and report.

5. New Business

- a. Following the April announcement of talks between the Catholic Research Resources Alliance (CRRA) and Atla, in June it was announced that CRRA was becoming part of Atla. CRRA members approved the vote, and are aware they will need to become institutional members of Atla. The Catholic Portal and the Newspaper Archive will remain openly available. The Atla website has posted an FAQ with more information.
- b. Atla indexers have not received any issues of l'Osservatore Romano since February 25, 2022. There is a new U.S. publisher, possibly EBSCO, but Atla has had no communication from anyone. If any institution has issues they could donate for indexing, please contact Barnaby Hughes.
- 6. Closing Prayer: David Kriegh

ROUND ROBIN REPORTS

Baylor University – Ezra Choe, Theology and Religious Studies Librarian, is new to Atla and this group and very interested in cooperating in theology with anyone's projects.

Catholic Distance University – The new president begins July 3 and envisions taking it to a research-level institution, as well as becoming bilingual. Stephanie Garrett is currently working on developing language fluency, as well as the library's Spanish-language holdings.

Catholic Theological Union – Derek Rieckens reports that the Lutheran School of Theology and McCormick Seminary will be leasing space at CTU, which means the library will be weeding 30% of its print collection in order to create space. He will be working with SCELC to use OCLC GreenGlass in analyzing their holdings to make selections.

Mt. Angel Abbey – Brian Morin has secured a fully-funded archivist/cataloger position, and the library has completed its first year with new ILS Koha and OpenAthens.

Mount St. Mary's Seminary and School of Theology - Connie Song reports the library is in preparation for remodeling the reference room, currently weeding the reference collection. Any insights or suggestions would be greatly appreciated. Also, she is beginning thesis work for her MAT.

Mount St. Mary's University - Library director Jessica Boyer reports that the library is migrating to a new ILS, Alma.

Sacred Heart Seminary & School of Theology - Jennie Bartholomew has retired, and the school is in the process of a library director search. All 3 full-time librarians now have faculty status. The school is developing an institutional repository using Omeka through a consortia purchase. Cardinal Stritch University, one of the founding members of the SWITCH consortium in Milwaukee, closed suddenly this spring.

Saint Mary's College of California - David Kriegh earned an MA in Theology from Holy Apostles College & Seminary this past May. The library is in the process of weeding about \(^1\)4 of the collection in preparation for a building remodel.

Seattle Pacific University – Steve Perisho reports that the institution has been struggling financially. Forty percent of the faculty have been laid off, and no replacements will be hired for library paraprofessionals.

University of Notre Dame – Christa Strickler is in her first year as the e-reserves metadata librarian. The university is preparing for a new library system. Alan Krieger reports that the library is in the midst of strategic planning and gap analysis and commented on CRRA's new partnership with Atla.

Atla – Barnaby Hughes is now on the editorial board for the Catholic Library World journal. He has been indexing the journals from the Oblate School of Theology and the Catholic Southwest / Texas Catholic History Association for Atla's Catholic Periodical Literature Index (CPLI).

MEMORIALS

Roger Loyd (1946-2022)

Roger Loyd was born in 1946, in Lubbock, Texas. He spent his first ten years on the farm, first in Texas, then in New Mexico. Thereafter, he grew up in "small-town America" of the Texas Panhandle. His childhood was filled with outdoor play and competition with his three brothers, and neighborhood friends.

Roger was an ordained clergy in the United Methodist Church, a devoted Divinity School librarian, choir member, teacher, mentor, and friend. Roger received his B.A. in English from McMurry University in 1968, his Master of Theology (now M. Div.) from Southern Methodist University, Perkins School of Theology, in 1971, and his Master of Library Science from the University of North Texas in 1982.

He served as a United Methodist pastor at Forest Hill United Methodist Church in Amarillo and Christ United Methodist Church in Levelland, Texas, and as campus minister at the Wesley Foundation at Texas Tech. In 1980, he became a theological librarian in Dallas, serving as Associate Director of the Bridwell Library at Southern Methodist University, Perkins School of Theology, from 1980-1992, and as Librarian and Director of the Duke Divinity School Library from 1992 until his retirement in 2012. He provided counsel and caring mentorship to numerous theological librarians through the American Theological Library Association (Atla). He also once livened up the Atla meeting in Dallas by bringing a live armadillo. In retirement, he served as Chair of the Theological Book Network Board, helping to bring educational resources to seminaries across the world, including a 2014 trip to Ghana.

Roger was an active member of Duke Memorial UMC for 30 years. He was a passionate advocate for justice and missions, serving on the missions' team and as coordinator for Families Moving Forward, where he worked tirelessly to support families experi-

encing homelessness in Durham. In addition, he provided sermon support to his pastors, chaired the History committee, and led the digitization of the church historical records.

He treasured leading backpacking trips and hiking in the mountains of New Mexico and Colorado, spending summers at Ceta Canyon Methodist Camp, and playing guitar while singing with friends and family around a campfire. A long, tall Texan, Roger enjoyed planting a garden, eating a lot of peaches, and going to Duke football. He was equally comfortable playing basketball in the backyard as he was in the world of academia and theological librarianship.

Mary Ellen Scott (1926-2022)

Mary Ellen Scott was born in Hutchinson, Kansas in 1926. She graduated with honors from Sterling College in 1947, where she was a champion debater, homecoming queen, president of the student body, and majored in piano.

Upon graduation, she married Harold Scott, a recent graduate of Pittsburgh-Xenia Theological Seminary and Sterling College alumnus, moving with him to his first congregation in Richmond, Kansas, where she was able to work as a piano teacher and focused on the job of raising a family of three sons. The family subsequently moved to Des Moines, Iowa, and Santa Ana, California, as Harold was called to new congregations, and finally to Pittsburgh in 1958, where he joined the faculty of Pittsburgh-Xenia Seminary (now Pittsburgh Theological Seminary). In the late 1960s, she earned a degree in Library and Information Science from the University of Pittsburgh. She then joined the staff of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary library, where she was supervisor of cataloging for many years, and briefly served as the library's interim director.

After her retirement, she worked on a voluntary basis as the library's archivist. One of her most important accomplishments there was the organization and documentation of the records of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, a branch of the Presbyterian family dating back to the 17th century that had created Pittsburgh-Xenia seminary and merged into the much larg-

er Presbyterian Church. She was esteemed as a deeply believing Christian who was also accepting of the variety of human paths in this world. She faithfully served in the spiritual and community life of the churches where Harold was pastor. Her kind and gentle disposition earned her the love of all who knew her.

Lily May Williams (1952-2020)

Lilly May Williams died on Nov. 22, 2020, in Stevensville, Michigan. She was 68 years old. She was born in Jamaica, on February 25, 1952.

Her professional career included being an accountant at West Indies College and as chief accountant at Andrews Memorial Hospital. She also served as chief accountant, then assistant treasurer for a combined tenure of 15 years for the West Indies Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

In 1993, she accompanied her husband, Oswald, to Berrien Springs, Michigan, where he was a student at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary. Lilly continued denominational service at Andrews University in 1994 as a bookkeeper/accountant in the James White Library. In 1996, following the untimely death of her husband, Lilly comb ned single parenting with graduate education and successfully completed her Master's degree in accounting at LaSalle University, two years later. In 2002, Lilly began her 18 years of service at Adventist Frontier Missions, where she interfaced with donors and missionaries in the field. She later rejoined the James White Library at Andrews University where she worked as a periodical associate for the past 11 years.

Lilly enjoyed gardening, especially growing flowers, cooking and watching cooking shows, and all good things Jamaican. She had a close relationship with God and never lost faith as she walked through the various valleys of life and death. Lilly is survived by two sons: Oswald and Matthew; two sisters an a brother.

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50	Newhall	Gapp	Beach	
1950–	Jannette	O. Gerald	Evah	E. F. George
51	Newhall	Lawson	Ostrander	
1951–	Raymond P.	Margaret	Evah	Calvin
52	Morris	Hort	Ostrander	Schmitt
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53	Morris	Brimm	George	Schmitt
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54	Brimm	Beach	George	Schmitt
1954–	Robert F.	Evah	Alice	Ernest M.
55	Beach	Kincheloe	Dagan	White
1955–	Robert F.	Helen	Alice	Ernest M.
56	Beach	Uhrlich	Dagan	White
1956–	Helen B.	Calvin	Alice	Harold B.
57	Uhrlich	Schmitt	Dagan	Prince

^{*} Formerly known as Secretary, beginning in 1956–57, the title was changed to Executive Secretary. Atla reorganized in 1991, and the Executive Secretary became a paid Atla staff position. In 1993, this position became Director of Member Services.

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61		Gamble	Chenery	Prince
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62	Gamble	Farris	Chenery	Prince
1962–	Donn M.	Jay S. Judah	Frederick	Harold B.
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1964–	Charles	George H.	Frederick	Peter
65	Johnson	Bricker	Chenery	VandenBerge
1965–	George H.	Roscoe M.	Thomas E.	Peter
66	Bricker	Pierson	Camp	VandenBerge
1966–	Roscoe	Arthur E.	Thomas E.	Peter
67	Pierson	Jones	Camp	VandenBerge
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68	Jones	Grossmann	Schultz	
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1969–	Harold B.	Henry	Susan A.	David Guston
70	Prince	Scherer	Schultz	
1970–	Henry	Genevieve	Susan A.	David
71	Scherer	Kelly	Schultz	Guston
1971–	Genevieve	Peter	David J.	Warren
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82	Campbell	Dvorak	Hurd	Olsen, Jr.
1982-	Robert	Martha	Albert	Robert A.
83	Dvorak	Aycock	Hurd	Olsen, Jr.
1983–	Martha	Ronald	Albert	Robert A.
84	Aycock	Deering	Hurd	Olsen, Jr.
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86		Peterson	Daly	Olsen, Jr.
1986–	Stephen	Rosalyn	Simeon	Robert A.
87	Peterson	Lewis	Daly	Olsen, Jr.
1987-	Rosalyn Lewis	Channing	Simeon	Robert A.
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1947-2023

YEAR	PLACE	ноѕт
1947	Louisville, KY	Louisville Presbyterian Seminary
1948	Dayton, OH	Bonebrake Theological Seminary
1949	Chicago, IL	Chicago Theological Seminary
1950	Columbus, OH	Evangelical Lutheran Seminary and Capital University
1951	Rochester, NY	Colgate-Rochester Divinity School
1952	Louisville, KY	Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
1953	Evanston, IL	Garrett Biblical Institute
1954	Chicago, IL	Chicago Theological Seminary
1955	New York, NY	Union Theological Seminary
1956	Berkeley, CA	Pacific School of Religion
1957	Fort Worth, TX	Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
1958	Boston, MA	Boston University School of Theology
1959	Toronto, ON	Knox College
1960	St. Paul, MN	Bethel College and Seminary
1961	Washington, DC	Wesley Theological Seminary
1962	Hartford, CT	Hartford Seminary Foundation
1963	Mill Valley, CA	Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary
1964	Kansas City, MI	St. Paul School of Theology
1965	New York, NY	General Theological Seminary
1966	Louisville, KY	Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
1967	Chicago, IL	McCormick Theological Seminary

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1968	St. Louis, MO	Concordia Seminary
1969	Pittsburgh, PA	Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
1970	New Orleans, LA	New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
1971	Pasadena, CA	Pasadena College
1972	Waterloo, ON	Waterloo Lutheran University
1973	Bethlehem, PA	Moravian Theological Seminary
1974	Denver, CO	Iliff School of Theology
1975	S. Hamilton, MA	Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary
1976	Grand Rapids, MI	Calvin Theological Seminary
1977	Vancouver, BC	Vancouver School of Theology
1978	Latrobe, PA	Saint Vincent College
1979	New Brighton, MN	Bethel Theological Seminary
1980	Denver, CO	Iliff School of Theology
1981	St. Louis, MO	Christ Seminary — Seminex
1982	Toronto, ON	Toronto School of Theology
1983	Richmond, VA	United Theological Seminary in Virginia
1984	Holland, MI	Western Theological Seminary
1985	Madison, NJ	Drew University
1986	Kansas City, KS	Rockhurst College
1987	Berkeley, CA	Graduate Theological Union
1988	Wilmore, KY	Asbury Theological Seminary
1989	Columbus, OH	Trinity Lutheran Seminary
1990	Evanston, IL	Garrett-Evangelical Seminary and Seabury- Western Theological Seminary
1991	Toronto, ON	University of Toronto, Trinity College, and Toronto School of Theology
1992	Dallas, TX	Southern Methodist University
1993	Vancouver, BC	Vancouver School of Theology, Regent College, and Carey Theological College
1994	Pittsburgh, PA	Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary, and Trinity Episcopal School for Ministry

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1995	Nashville, TN	Divinity Library of Vanderbilt University and Tennessee Theological Library Association
1996	Denver, CO	Iliff School of Theology
1997	Boston, MA	Boston University and Boston Theological Institute
1998	Leesburg, VA	Virginia Theological Seminary and Washington Theological Consortium
1999	Chicago, IL	Atla and Association of Chicago Theological Schools
2000	Berkeley, CA	Graduate Theological Union
2001	Durham, NC	Divinity School at Duke University
2002	St. Paul, MN	Minnesota Theological Library Association
2003	Portland, OR	Mount Angel Abbey, George Fox Seminary, Multnomah Biblical Seminary, Western Seminary
2004	Kansas City, MO	Kansas City Area Theological Library Association
2005	Austin, TX	Southwest Area Theological Library Association
2006	Chicago, IL	Atla
2007	Philadelphia, PA	Southeastern Pennsylvania Theological Library Association
2008	Ottawa, ON	Saint Paul University
2009	St. Louis, MO	St. Louis Theological Consortium Libraries
2010	Louisville, KY	The Theological Education Association of Mid-America
2011	Chicago, IL	Chicago Area Theological Library Association and Association of Chicago Theological Schools
2012	Scottsdale, AZ	Theological Library Cooperative of Arizona
2013	Charlotte, NC	Carolinas Theological Library Consortium
2014	New Orleans, LA	New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
2015	Denver, CO	Theological Librarians and Libraries of Denver/Rocky Mountain Region
2016	Long Beach, CA	The Southern California Theological Library Association

YEAR	PLACE	HOST
2017	Atlanta, GA	Columbia Theological Seminary, Erskine Theological Seminary, Mercer University, McAfee School of Theology, Pitts Theology Library, Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Robert W. Woodruff Library, Atlanta University Center, The Interdenominational Theological Center
2018	Indianapolis, IN	Asbury Seminary and Concordia Theological Seminary
2019	Vancouver, BC	Regent College
2020	Online	
2021	Online	
2022	Baltimore, MD	Mount St. Mary's University
2023	Fort Worth, TX	Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and the Southwest Area Theological Library Association (SWATLA)

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As Adopted MARCH 24, 2023

ARTICLE I

OFFICES

SECTION 1.01 *Principal and Other Offices.* The principal office of the Corporation shall be located in the State of Illinois. The Corporation may have such other offices, either within or without the State of Illinois, as the Board of Directors may determine or as the affairs of the Corporation may require from time to time.

SECTION 1.02 *Registered Agent and Office.* The Corporation shall have and continuously maintain in the State of Illinois a registered office and a registered agent whose office is identical with such registered office, as required by the Not for Profit Corporation Act. The registered office may be, but need not be, identical with the principal office in the State of Illinois. The registered agent of the Corporation may be changed from time to time by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE II

MEMBERS

SECTION 2.01 *Classes of Membership.* The Corporation shall have six (6) classes of membership: Institutional, Individual, Affiliate, Student, Retired, and Emeritus. Institutional Members, Individual Members, and Retired Members are voting members (collectively, the "Voting Members"). Affiliate Members, Student Members, and Emeritus Members are non-voting members (collectively, the "Non-Voting Members").

SECTION 2.02 Rights of Membership.

- (a) Voting Members. Voting Members shall have only the following rights: (1) attend meetings of the members and vote; (2) elect Directors to serve on the Board of Directors; (3) approve any alteration of, amendment to, or repeal of the Bylaws; (4) participate in such Corporation programs as the Board of Directors may determine from time to time; and (5) receive those publications of the Corporation that are distributed to the membership. Voting Members shall not have any rights other than those stated in this Section 2.02(a).
- (b) Non-Voting Members. Non-Voting Members shall not have the right to vote on any matters. Non-Voting Members shall have the right to (1) attend meetings of the members; (2) receive those publications of the Corporation that are distributed to the membership; and (3) participate in such other Corporation programs as the Board of Directors may determine from time to time.
- (c) Corporation Programs. With respect to Corporation programs, the Board of Directors may establish different programs for each membership class and may limit participation in any such program to members of the pertinent membership class.

SECTION 2.03 *Qualifications for Membership.* The Board of Directors may establish qualifications for membership from time to time. As of the date of these Bylaws, the qualifications for membership are as follows:

- (a) Institutional Members. A library of an institution qualifies for Institutional Membership if the institution is (1) an institution of higher education supporting programs in theology or religious studies that is accredited by an authority recognized by the U.S. Department of Education, Council of Higher Education Accreditation, or the equivalent thereof in other jurisdictions, or (2) a nondegree granting organization maintaining one or more significant collections primarily of theological, religious, or ecclesiastical research material. If the applicant library serves more than one institution, at least one of the institutions shall meet one of the qualifications set forth in this Section 2.03(a).
- (b) Individual Members. Any person who is engaged in professional library or scholarly communications work in theological or religious fields or who has a demonstrated, bona fide interest in the literature of religion, theological librarianship, or the purposes and work of the Corporation, shall qualify for Individual Membership in the Corporation.
- (c) Affiliate Members. An organization that does not qualify for Institutional Membership, but that has a demonstrated record of support for theological librarianship and the purposes and work of the Corporation, shall qualify for Affiliate Membership.
- (d) Student Members. Any student enrolled in a degree program who is carrying a half-time course load or greater shall qualify for Student Membership.
- (e) Retired Members. To qualify for Retired Membership in the Corporation, a person must (1) have fully retired from gainful employment; and (2) have

been an Individual Member continuously for the immediately preceding ten-year period.

- (f) Emeritus Members. To qualify for Emeritus Membership, a person must have been an Individual Member or Retired Member continuously for the immediately preceding ten-year period. Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, each member must be in good standing with respect to any dues owed to the Corporation and must be supportive of the purposes and work of the Corporation.
- (g) Upon receipt of an application for membership, person(s) authorized by the Board of Directors shall review the application and the applicant's credentials to determine if the applicant does in fact meet the requirements for membership. This determination must be made in good faith and, once so made, is final and not appealable.

SECTION 2.04 Dues of Members. The Board of Directors shall determine from time to time the amount, if any, of membership dues associated with each class of membership. Membership dues, if any, shall be payable in advance for the following full year. Memberships will automatically be renewed upon payment of the annual membership dues, if any, for the next succeeding year.

SECTION 2.05 Transfer of Membership. Membership in the Corporation is not transferable or assignable by any member.

SECTION 2.06 *Suspension.* Members failing to pay their annual membership dues within sixty (60) calendar days of their due date shall automatically be suspended and shall lose all rights, including, but not limited to, any voting rights. A member thus suspended may be reinstated by payment of such member's unpaid dues. Members also may be suspended or reinstated by an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Directors then in office.

SECTION 2.07 Resignation. Any Member may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board of Directors, the President, or the Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect when the notice is delivered, unless the notice specifies a future date. Unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

SECTION 2.08 Termination of Membership. The Board of Directors may terminate a membership by an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Directors then in office.

ARTICLE III

MEETING OF MEMBERS

SECTION 3.01 Annual Member Meetings. Regular annual meetings of the members (each, an "Annual Member Meeting") shall be held at such time and place as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors, for the purpose of electing Directors and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. The Board of Directors may provide by resolution the time and place for the holding of additional regular meetings of the members (each, a "Regular Member Meeting"). If the election of Directors shall not be held at the Annual Member Meeting, the Voting Members shall cause the election to be held at a Regular Member Meeting or at a special meeting of the members (each, a "Special Member Meeting") as soon thereafter as may be convenient.

SECTION 3.02 Special Member Meetings. Special Member Meetings may be called at any time by the Board of Directors, the President, or the Secretary, and shall be called by the Secretary upon written request (stating the purpose of the proposed meeting) signed by at least fifteen percent (15%) of the Voting Members or by one-third (1/3) of the Directors then in office. Special Member Meetings shall be held at such place as may be designated in the notice or waiver of notice of such meeting.

SECTION 3.03 *Notice and Waiver of Notice.*

- (a) Unless otherwise provided by Not for Profit Corporation Act, the Articles of Incorporation, or these Bylaws, notice of Annual, Regular, and Special Member Meetings shall be delivered to each Voting Member not less than five (5) days nor more than sixty (60) days before the date of such meeting at such Voting Member's address as it appears on the records of the Corporation. Such notice shall state the place, date, hour, and, in the case of a Special Member Meeting, the purpose(s) of the meeting. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the U.S. mail in a sealed envelope so addressed, with postage thereon prepaid. If notice is sent by facsimile transmission, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered upon direction to the facsimile number of record of the Voting Member. If notice is given by electronic mail or other means of electronic transmission, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered upon direction to the electronic mail address or other electronic address of record of the Voting Member. If sent by any other means (including telegram, cablegram, courier, or express mail), such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when actually delivered to the home or business address of the Voting Member. The Corporation may, but is not required to, provide notice of any meetings to the Non-Voting Members.
- (b) When any notice whatever is required to be given under the provisions of the Not for Profit Corporation Act, the Articles of Incorporation, or these Bylaws, a waiver thereof in writing, signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice. The attendance of a Voting Member at a meeting of the members shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where the Voting Member objects to the holding of the meeting because proper notice was not given.

SECTION 3.04 *Proxies.* Voting by proxy shall not be permitted.

SECTION 3.05 Designated Representative. Each Institutional Member and Affiliate Member shall designate in writing an individual who has the right to act on its behalf (each, a "Designated Representative"), and the Corporation shall have

the right to rely on this designation and any acts, omissions, or representations of the Designated Representative unless and until the member designates someone else to serve as the Designated Representative. The Designated Representative must be an employee or officer of the respective Institutional Member or Affiliate Member.

SECTION 3.06 Quorum. Fifteen percent (15%) of each of the classes of Voting Members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the members. For the purposes of a quorum, the classes of Individual and Retired Members shall be counted as one class.

SECTION 3.07 *Voting.* Each Voting Member shall be entitled to one (1) vote on each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the members. For purposes of clarification, an individual who is both an Individual or Retired Member and a Designated Representative of an Institutional Member may cast a total of two (2) votes on each matter submitted to a vote of the members, one (1) such vote in his or her capacity as an Individual Member and one (1) such vote in his or her capacity as a Designated Representative.

SECTION 3.08 Use of Conference Telephone or Other Interactive Technology. If the Board of Directors so determines, Members may participate in and, in the case of Voting Members, act at any meeting of the members by means of a conference telephone or other similar interactive technology, including, but not limited to, electronic transmission, Internet usage, or remote communication, so long as all persons participating in the meeting can communicate with each other. Such participation shall constitute presence in person at such meeting.

SECTION 3.09 Informal Action by Members.

- (a) Action by Ballot. Any action required or permitted to be taken at a meeting of the members may be taken without a meeting by ballot in writing by mail, e-mail, or other electronic means, pursuant to which the Voting Members are given the opportunity to vote for or against the proposed action, provided that the number of Voting Members casting a vote satisfies the quorum requirements set forth in Section 3.06 hereof and the action receives approval by a majority of the Voting Members casting votes or such larger number as may be required by the Not for Profit Corporation Act, the Articles of Incorporation, or these Bylaws. Voting must remain open for not less than five (5) days from the date the ballot is delivered; provided, however, in the case of a removal of one or more Directors, a merger, consolidation, dissolution, or a sale, lease, or exchange of assets, the voting must remain open for not less than twenty (20) days from the date the ballot is delivered. The action shall become effective only if, at least five (5) days prior to the effective date of such action, a notice in writing of the proposed action is delivered to all of the Voting Members.
- (b) Action by Written Consent. Any action required or permitted to be taken at a meeting of the members may be taken without a meeting and without a

- vote if a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by all of the Voting Members.
- (c) Use of Electronic Signature. A Voting Member may take action by a written consent using an electronic signature if the electronic transmission approving the action includes the signatory's full name in a form intended by the signatory: (a) to serve as his or her signature and (b) to authenticate the consent. Each electronic signature should be affixed to an email message or other electronic communication that: (i) contains, attaches, or references the written consent action; (ii) includes an affirmative statement (such as "Yes," "I agree," or "I consent"); and (iii) contains a clear reference to the written consent action in the subject line.

ARTICLE IV

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 4.01 *General Powers of Directors.* The property and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 4.02 *Number, Tenure, and Qualifications of Directors.*

- (a) The Board of Directors shall consist of twelve (12) Directors to be divided into three (3) classes—Class A, Class B, and Class C—such that there shall be four (4) Directors in each class.
- (b) The Voting Members shall elect Directors to succeed those Directors whose terms expire, and such elections shall be for three-year terms of office, each to expire at the third succeeding Annual Member Meeting after the Director's election. No Director shall serve more than two (2) consecutive terms, except that a Director appointed to fill an unexpired term of eighteen (18) months or less may be elected to two (2) consecutive full terms thereafter. A Director shall hold office until his or her successor shall have been duly elected and qualified or until the Director's death, resignation, or removal.
- (c) The Board of Directors shall establish an annual calendar, timeline, and procedure for the nomination of candidates for election as Directors, each of which shall not be inconsistent with these Bylaws.
- (d) The Nominating Committee shall develop a slate of at least six (6) nominations for each of the four (4) directorships to be filled at each Annual Member Meeting and shall deliver the slate to the Board of Directors and the Secretary. The Board of Directors may modify the Nominating Committee's slate before delivering the initial slate to the Voting Members.
- (e) The Voting Members may add candidate(s) to the slate by petition(s) signed by at least ten (10) Voting Members and filed with the Secretary.

- (f) The Secretary shall deliver to the Voting Members (i) the final slate of candidates, including biographical data on each candidate, and (ii) a ballot. Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, no candidate may be included on this final slate without his or her consent.
- (g) Each Director must be an Individual Member in good standing at the time of his or her nomination and election and throughout the entirety of his or her service on the Board of Directors. A Director shall automatically cease to be a Director immediately upon ceasing to be an Individual or Retired Member in good standing. No employee of the Corporation may be a Director.

SECTION 4.03 Annual and Regular Director Meetings. Annual meetings of the Board of Directors (each, an "Annual Director Meeting") shall be held at such time and place as may be fixed by the Board of Directors for the purpose of electing Officers and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. The Board of Directors may provide by resolution the time and place for the holding of additional regular meetings of the Board of Directors (each, a "Regular Director Meeting") without other notice than such resolution. If the election of Officers shall not be held at any Annual Director Meeting, the Board of Directors shall cause the election to be held at a Regular Director Meeting or at a special meeting of the Board of Directors (each, a "Special Director Meeting") as soon thereafter as may be convenient.

SECTION 4.04 Special Director Meetings. Special Director Meetings may be called by or at the request of the President or any three (3) Directors, and such person or persons may fix any place as the location of any Special Director Meeting so called. For purposes of clarification, no business may be transacted at any such meeting unless a quorum of Directors is present, as set forth in Section 4.07 of these Bylaws.

SECTION 4.05 *Member Access to Meetings.* Meetings of the Board of Directors are open to members of the Corporation with the exception of portions thereof that are executive sessions as specifically designated by the Board of Directors or as called by any Director. Members who wish to attend a meeting of the Board of Directors shall inform the President at least two (2) days in advance to assure that adequate space is available.

SECTION 4.06 Notice and Waiver of Notice.

(a) Unless otherwise required by the Not for Profit Corporation Act, the Articles of Incorporation, or these Bylaws, written notice of any Annual or Special Director Meeting shall be delivered not less than three (3) days before the date of such meeting to each Director at his or her address as it appears on the records of the Corporation, and such notice shall state the place, date, hour, and, in the case of a Special Director Meeting, the purpose(s) of the meeting. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the U.S. Mail in a sealed envelope so addressed, with postage thereon prepaid. If notice is sent by facsimile transmission, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered upon direction to the facsimile number of record of the Director. If notice is given by electronic mail or other means of electronic transmission, such notice shall be deemed to be given upon direction to the electronic mail address or other electronic address of record of the Director. If sent by any other means (including telegram, cablegram, courier, or express mail), such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when actually delivered to the home or business address of the Director.

(b) When any notice whatever is required to be given under the provisions of the Not for Profit Corporation Act, the Articles of Incorporation, or these Bylaws, a waiver thereof in writing, signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice. The attendance of a Director at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a Director attends the meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

SECTION 4.07 *Quorum.* A majority of the Directors then in office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 4.08 Use of Conference Telephone or Other Interactive Technology. If the Board of Directors so determines, members of the Board of Directors or any committee may participate in and act at any meeting of the Board of Directors or committee, as the case may be, by means of a conference telephone or other similar interactive technology, including, but not limited to, electronic transmission, Internet usage, or remote communication, so long as all persons participating in the meeting can communicate with each other. Such participation shall constitute presence in person at such meeting.

SECTION 4.09 *Manner of Acting.* The act of a majority of the Directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Directors, unless the act of a greater number is required by the Not for Profit Corporation Act, the Articles of Incorporation, or these Bylaws.

SECTION 4.10 *Informal Action by Directors.*

- (a) Any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the Board of Directors or any committee thereof may be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing setting forth the action so taken shall be signed by all of the Directors or by all of the members of such committee, as the case may be, and the writing or writings are filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the Board of Directors or committee. Any such consent signed by all the Directors or all committee members, as the case may be, shall have the same effect as a unanimous vote and may be stated as such in any document filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Illinois under the Not for Profit Corporation Act.
- (b) A Director or committee member, as the case may be, may take action by a written consent using an electronic signature if the electronic transmission approving the action includes the signatory's full name in a form intended by

the signatory (a) to serve as his or her signature and (b) to authenticate the consent. Each electronic signature should be affixed to an e-mail message or other electronic communication that (i) contains, attaches, or references the written consent action; (ii) includes an affirmative statement (such as "Yes," "I agree." or "I consent"); and (iii) contains a clear reference to the written consent action in the subject line.

SECTION 4.11 Resignation. Any Director may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board of Directors, the President, or the Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect when the notice is delivered unless the notice specifies a future date. Unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

SECTION 4.12 Removal.

- (a) Removal by Voting Members. Any Director may be removed, with or without cause, by the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Voting Members present and voting at any Annual, Regular, or Special Member Meeting at which a quorum is present. The proposed removal shall be set forth in the notice of any such meeting, and the notice shall be delivered to each Voting Member at least twenty (20) days and not more than sixty (60) days prior to such meeting.
- (b) Removal by the Board of Directors. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any Director appointed by the Board of Directors pursuant to Section 4.13 hereof may be removed, with or without cause, by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Directors then in office at any meeting of the Board of Directors at which a quorum is present whenever, in their judgment, the best interests of the Corporation would be served thereby. The proposed removal shall be set forth in the notice of any Special Director Meeting, delivered to each Director at least twenty (20) days prior to such meeting.
- (c) Automatic Removal. Notwithstanding each of Sections 4.12(a) and 4.12(b) of these Bylaws, any Director who fails to attend any two (2) meetings of the Board of Directors in any given year, without reasonable excuse therefor, as determined in the sole reasonable discretion of the Board of Directors, shall automatically be removed from the Board of Directors, such that a vote of the Voting Members or the Board of Directors shall not be required to effectuate such removal. For purposes of clarification, attendance includes participation by means of conference telephone or other interactive technology in accordance with Section 4.08 hereof.

SECTION 4.13 Vacancies. Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification, or otherwise may be filled by the Board of Directors at any meeting thereof, provided that the individual appointed to fill the vacancy shall be an Individual Member in good standing. A Director elected or appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve for the unexpired term of his or her predecessor in office.

SECTION 4.14 Compensation. Directors shall not receive compensation for their services as Directors; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to preclude any Director from serving the Corporation in any other capacity and receiving reasonable compensation for personal services rendered to the Corporation that are reasonable and necessary to carry out one or more of the tax-exempt purposes of the Corporation, so long as the Director complies with the conflict of interest procedures of Article XI hereof and any other policies adopted by the Board of Directors. Directors may receive reimbursement for reasonable expenses incurred in connection with corporate matters, provided that such reimbursement is authorized by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V

OFFICERS

SECTION 5.01 Officers. The Board of Directors shall elect a President, a Vice President, a Treasurer, and a Secretary of the Corporation (each, an "Officer" and, taken together with all other officers of the Corporation elected by the Board of Directors, the "Officers"). The Board of Directors also may appoint an Executive Director and elect one or more Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers and such additional Officers as the Board of Directors may deem necessary or appropriate from time to time. In extraordinary circumstances, any two (2) or more offices may be held by the same person. The Officers elected by the Board of Directors shall have such duties as are hereafter described and such additional duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time prescribe. Each Officer. other than the Executive Director, must be elected from among the Directors. An individual's resignation or removal as a Director shall be deemed to also be a resignation or removal from any Officer position held by that individual.

SECTION 5.02 *Election and Term of Office.* With the exception of the Executive Director, the Officers shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors at the Annual Director Meeting. If the election of Officers is not held at such meeting, such election shall be held as soon thereafter as may be convenient. New offices of the Corporation may be created and filled, and vacancies in offices may be filled, at any meeting of the Board of Directors. Each Officer shall hold office until the Officer's successor has been duly elected and qualified or until the Officer's death, resignation, or removal. Election or appointment of an Officer shall not of itself create contract rights.

SECTION 5.03 *Resignation.* Any Officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board of Directors, the President, or the Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect when the notice is delivered unless the notice specifies a future date. Unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

SECTION 5.04 *Removal.* Any Officer elected or appointed by the Board of Directors may be removed, with or without cause, by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of all Directors then in office whenever, in their judgment, the best interests of the

Corporation would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the person or persons so removed.

SECTION 5.05 Vacancies. A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification, or otherwise may be filled by the Board of Directors at any meeting thereof. An Officer elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected to serve until the next Annual Director Meeting.

SECTION 5.06 President. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Corporation and Board of Directors and shall see that the orders and resolutions of the Board of Directors are carried into effect, except in those instances in which that responsibility is assigned to some other person by the Board of Directors. The President may sign bonds, mortgages, and all other contracts and documents, whether or not under the seal, if any, of the Corporation, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by law, by the Board of Directors, or by these Bylaws to some other Officer or agent of the Corporation.

SECTION 5.07 *Vice President.* The Vice President shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to the Vice President by the President or the Board of Directors. In the absence of the President or in the event of the President's inability or refusal to act, the Vice President shall perform the duties of the President and, when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions of the President.

SECTION 5.08 Secretary. The Secretary shall perform or direct and supervise the performance of the following: (a) attend all meetings of the Board of Directors and record all the proceedings of the meetings and actions of the Board of Directors in one or more files provided for that purpose; (b) be the custodian of the corporate records and of the seal, if any, of the Corporation; (c) keep a register of the post office address and electronic mail address of each Director, which shall be furnished to the Secretary by such Director; (d) see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law; and (e) in general perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to the Secretary by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 5.09 Treasurer. The Treasurer shall be the principal financial officer of the Corporation. The Treasurer shall perform or direct and supervise the performance of the following: (a) have charge of and be responsible for overseeing the maintenance of adequate books of account for the Corporation; (b) have charge of all funds and securities of the Corporation and be responsible for overseeing the management, receipt, and disbursement thereof; and (c) in general perform all the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to the Treasurer by the Board of Directors. If required by the Board of Directors, the Treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of the Treasurer's duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the Board of Directors shall determine. The Treasurer shall serve as the Chair of the Finance Committee.

SECTION 5.10 Executive Director. From time to time, the Corporation may appoint an Executive Director who shall be an employee of the Corporation and shall be a non-voting member of the Board of Directors. The Executive Director shall be the chief executive officer of the Corporation and, as such, shall meet regularly with the Board of Directors and in general supervise and control all the business and affairs of the Corporation, unless otherwise provided by the Board of Directors. The Executive Director may discuss corporate matters with the Board of Directors but shall not be entitled to vote on any matter submitted to a vote of the Board of Directors. The Executive Director shall, ex officio, be an assistant secretary of the Corporation, empowered to certify to corporate actions in the absence of the Secretary. The Executive Director, in addition to appointing and overseeing staff, shall be responsible to the Board of Directors for the administration of programs, services, and other activities of the Corporation; shall see that all orders and resolutions of the Board of Directors are carried into effect; and shall appoint members of advisory committees, representatives to other organizations, and other officials and agents of the Corporation, and oversee their work.

SECTION 5.11 Assistant Treasurers and Assistant Secretaries. Any Assistant Treasurers and Assistant Secretaries shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to them by the Treasurer or the Secretary, respectively, or by the Board of Directors. If required by the Board of Directors, the Assistant Treasurers shall give bonds for the faithful discharge of their duties in such sums and with such sureties as the Board of Directors shall determine.

SECTION 5.12 *Other Officers and Agents*. Any Officer not otherwise specified in these Bylaws shall have such authority and perform such duties as may from time to time be prescribed by resolution of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 5.13 *Absence of Officers.* In the absence of any Officer, or for any other reason the Board of Directors may deem sufficient, the Board of Directors may delegate the powers or duties, or any such powers or duties, of any Officer to any other Officer or to any Director.

SECTION 5.14 Compensation. Unless otherwise determined by the Board of Directors or otherwise provided herein, the Officers shall not receive compensation for their services as Officers; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to preclude any Officer from serving the Corporation in any other capacity and receiving reasonable compensation for personal services rendered to the Corporation that are reasonable and necessary to carry out one or more of the tax-exempt purposes of the Corporation, so long as the Officers comply with any policies adopted by the Board of Directors. Officers may receive reimbursement for reasonable expenses incurred in connection with corporate matters, provided that such reimbursement is authorized by the Board of Directors. Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, the individual serving as Executive Director may receive reasonable compensation for such service, as determined by the Board of Directors from time to time.

ARTICLE VI

COMMITTEES

SECTION 6.01 Board Committees. The Board of Directors may, by resolution adopted by a majority of the Directors in office, designate one or more committees, each committee to consist of two (2) or more Directors and a majority of each committee's membership to be Directors; provided, however, that committees appointed by the Board of Directors or otherwise authorized pursuant to these Bylaws relating to the election, nomination, qualification, or credentials of the Directors or other committees involved in the process of electing Directors may be composed entirely of non-Directors. Any committee, to the extent provided in the resolution of the Board of Directors and allowed by law, shall have and may exercise all the powers and authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation; provided, however, that no such committee shall have the power or authority of the Board of Directors in reference to (a) amending or repealing these Bylaws or the Articles of Incorporation; (b) electing, appointing, or removing any Officer, Director, or committee member, or fixing the compensation of any committee member; (c) adopting a plan of merger or adopting a plan of consolidation with another corporation; (d) authorizing the sale, lease, exchange, or mortgage of all or substantially all of the property or assets of the Corporation; (e) filling vacancies on the Board of Directors or any of its committees; (f) adopting a plan for the distribution of the assets of the Corporation or for dissolution; or (g) amending, altering, repealing, or taking any action inconsistent with any resolution or action of the Board of Directors which by its terms provides that it shall not be amended, altered, or repealed by any such committee.

SECTION 6.02 *Advisory Committees.* By resolution, the Board of Directors may designate one or more advisory committees not having and exercising the authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the Corporation. Members of any such advisory committee may, but need not, be Directors, and the Board of Directors shall appoint the members thereof, except as and to the extent such authority shall be vested in an Officer or agent of the Corporation by the Board of Directors or these Bylaws.

SECTION 6.03 *Nominating Committee.* There shall be a committee of the Board of Directors, which shall identify and nominate individuals to serve on the Board of Directors of the Corporation (the "Nominating Committee"). The Nominating Committee shall present its nominations to the Board of Directors and the Secretary. The Nominating Committee shall consist of two (2) Individual Members and one (1) Director who is not then up for re-election to the Board of Directors, each of whom shall be appointed by the Board of Directors (collectively, the "Nominating Committee Members"). The Nominating Committee Members shall be divided into three classes, as nearly equal in number as reasonably possible, as shall be designated by resolution of the Board of Directors. The terms of each class of Nominating Committee Members shall be staggered such that only one class shall be appointed each year. Each Nominating Committee Member shall

serve for a non-renewable term of three (3) years or until his or her successor has been duly elected and qualified. The longest serving member of the Nominating Committee shall serve as the chair thereof.

SECTION 6.04 Finance Committee. There shall be a Finance Committee, which shall have the responsibility of supervising the financial affairs of the Corporation and shall have and may exercise the powers and authority of the Board of Directors to the extent permitted by law, the Articles of Incorporation, and these Bylaws. The Finance Committee shall be comprised of at least two (2) Directors who shall be appointed by the Board of Directors, and a majority of its members shall be Directors. The Treasurer shall be the chair of the Finance Committee.

SECTION 6.05 *Term of Office*. Each member of a committee established pursuant to this Article VI, other than the Nominating Committee Members, shall serve as such until the next Annual Director Meeting and until such committee member's successor is appointed, unless the committee shall be sooner terminated by resolution of the Board of Directors, or unless such committee member resigns or is removed from such committee. Any committee member may be removed, with or without cause, by the Board of Directors whenever in its judgment the best interests of the Corporation shall be served thereby.

SECTION 6.06 Chair. Except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws, one (1) member of each committee shall be appointed as chair by the person or persons authorized to appoint committee members thereof.

SECTION 6.07 *Vacancies*. Vacancies in the membership of any committee may be filled by appointments made in the same manner as provided for in the original appointments.

SECTION 6.08 *Quorum.* Unless otherwise provided in the resolution of the Board of Directors designating a committee, a majority of the committee members shall constitute a guorum and the act of a majority of the committee members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the committee.

SECTION 6.09 Rules. Each committee shall fix its own rules governing the conduct of its activities, not inconsistent with these Bylaws or the rules promulgated by the Board of Directors, and shall furnish to the Board of Directors such reports of its activities as the Board of Directors may request.

ARTICLE VII

CONTRACTS, CHECKS, DEPOSITS, GIFTS AND INVESTMENTS

SECTION 7.01 Contracts. The Board of Directors may authorize any Officer or Officers or agent or agents of the Corporation, in addition to the Officers so authorized by these Bylaws, to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

SECTION 7.02 Checks, Drafts, Etc. All checks, drafts, or other orders for the payment of money, notes, or other evidence of indebtedness issued in the name of the Corporation shall be signed by such Officer or Officers or agent or agents of the Corporation and in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 7.03 *Deposits.* All funds of the Corporation shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Corporation in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as the Board of Directors may designate by resolution.

SECTION 7.04 Gifts. The Board of Directors may accept or reject or by resolution may authorize any Officer or Officers or agent or agents of the Corporation to accept or reject, on behalf of the Corporation, any contribution, gift, bequest, or devise for the general purposes or for any special purpose of the Corporation.

SECTION 7.05 *Investments*. The Board of Directors shall manage, invest, operate, deal in and with, and conserve the property of the Corporation, and may retain any or all of the assets transferred to the Corporation by gift or bequest; provided, however, that the exercise of any of such powers shall not in any way conflict with the purposes of the Corporation as stated in its Articles of Incorporation, and such powers shall not be exercised so as to cause the Corporation to lose its qualification as an organization exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code. The Board of Directors may delegate investment management duties to an officer, employee, or independent investment firm, provided that doing so is prudent and in the best interests of the Corporation.

ARTICLE VIII

BOOKS AND RECORDS

The Corporation shall keep correct and complete books and records of account and shall also keep minutes of the proceedings of its Board of Directors and each committee thereof.

ARTICLE IX

FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the Corporation shall end on August 31st of each year.

ARTICLE X

INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

SECTION 10.01 *Indemnification.* The Corporation shall indemnify each person who is or was a Director or Officer, or who is serving or has served at the request of the Corporation as a director, trustee, or officer of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, or other enterprise, and may indemnify any person who is or was an employee or agent of the Corporation and any person who is serving or has served at its request as an employee or agent of any other enterprise, to the fullest extent from time to time permitted by the laws of the State of Illinois and by Section 4941 or 4958 of the Code, as applicable, in the event any of such persons was or is a party, or is threatened to be made a party, to any threatened, pending, or completed action, suit, or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative.

SECTION 10.02 Authorization of Indemnification. Any indemnification under this Article X (unless the indemnification is ordered by a court) shall be made by the Corporation only as authorized in the specific case, upon a determination that indemnification of the Director, Officer, employee, or agent of the Corporation is proper in the circumstances. In the case of indemnification that is mandatory under Section 10.01 hereof, the determination shall be limited to (a) whether the person to be indemnified has met the standards specified in Section 10.01 and (b) the amount of the indemnification permitted by law. Any determination under this Section 10.02 shall be made (a) by the Board of Directors by a majority vote of a quorum consisting of Directors who were not parties to such action, suit, or proceeding or (b) if such a quorum is not obtainable, or, even if obtainable, a quorum of disinterested Directors so directs, by independent legal counsel in a written opinion.

SECTION 10.03 Advance Payments. Expenses incurred in defending a civil or criminal action, suit, or proceeding may be paid by the Corporation in advance of the final disposition of such action, suit, or proceeding, as authorized by the Board of Directors in the specific case, upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of the Director, Officer, employee, or agent of the Corporation to repay such amount, unless it shall ultimately be determined that he or she is entitled to be indemnified by the Corporation as authorized in this Article X, unless such payment would constitute an act of self-dealing under Section 4941 of the Code if the Corporation is a private foundation or an excess benefit transaction under Section 4958 of the Code if the Corporation is a public charity.

SECTION 10.04 Non-Exclusivity and Continuation. The indemnification provided by this Article X shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which a person seeking indemnification may be entitled under any agreement, vote of disinterested Directors, or otherwise, both as to action in the person's official capacity and as to action in another capacity while holding such office, and shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a Director, Officer, employee, or agent of the Corporation, and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors, and administrators of such a person.

SECTION 10.05 *Insurance*. The Corporation may purchase and maintain insurance (a) to insure itself with respect to the indemnification payments it is authorized or obligated to make pursuant to this Article X and (b) on behalf of any person who is or was a Director, Officer, employee, or agent of the Corporation, or who is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, trustee, officer, employee, or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, or other enterprise, to insure against any liability asserted against such person and incurred by him or her in any such capacity, or arising out of his or her status as such, whether or not the Corporation would have the power to indemnify the person against such liability under the provisions of this Article X.

ARTICLE XI

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

SECTION 11.01 Conflict of Interest. A Director shall disclose to the Board of Directors any material interest which such Director directly or indirectly has in any person or entity which is a party to a transaction under consideration by the Board of Directors, or which to the Director's knowledge might otherwise cause a conflict with a fiduciary duty owed by the Director to the Corporation. Such interested Director shall abstain from voting on such transaction or other action, but such interested Director's presence may be counted in determining whether a quorum is present.

SECTION 11.02 Material Interest. A Director shall be considered to have a material interest in an entity if the Director is a director, officer, or employee of the entity or if the Director has a material financial interest in the entity.

SECTION 11.03 Comprehensive Policy. The Board of Directors shall have the power and authority to adopt a more comprehensive policy regarding conflicts of interest, which may supplement this Article XI, as so directed by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XII

AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS

These Bylaws may be altered, amended, or repealed and new Bylaws adopted by the Voting Members. Such action may be, but shall not be required to be, taken at any meeting of the Voting Members, provided that no such alteration, amendment, repeal, or adoption shall in any way conflict with the purposes of the Corporation as stated in its Articles of Incorporation or otherwise cause the Corporation to lose its qualification as an organization exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code. Written notice of any proposed alteration, amendment, repeal, or adoption of the Bylaws shall be delivered to each Voting Member not less than twenty (20) days before the date of the vote on such matter at such Voting Member's address as it appears on the records of the Corporation.

ARTICLE XIII

MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION 13.01 *Definitions.* In addition to the terms defined elsewhere in these Bylaws, the following terms shall have the following meanings when used herein:

- (a) "Articles of Incorporation" means the Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Illinois on July 31, 1992, and any amendments thereto.
- (b) "Section of the Code" means a section of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and shall include corresponding provisions of future federal tax laws, all as from time to time in effect.
- (c) "Director" means a voting member of the Board of Directors.
- (d) "Not for Profit Corporation Act" means the Illinois General Not for Profit Corporation Act of 1986, as amended.

SECTION 13.02 Writings. Any action required in these Bylaws to be "written," to be "in writing," to have "written consent," to have "written approval," and the like by or of Directors or committee members shall include any communication transmitted or received by facsimile, electronic mail, or other means of electronic transmission.

2022 ATS LIBRARY STATISTICS

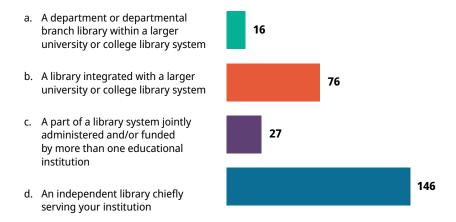
The Association of Theological Schools (ATS) and Atla collaborate to provide these library statistics. The following charts reflect data for Atla Institutional Member libraries that completed the survey, which was issued in the Fall of 2022 and is reflective of the most recently completed fiscal year (2022–2023).

The full data set is available on the My Atla Web Portal.

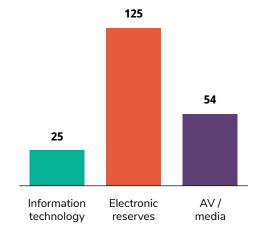
PART A

LIBRARY CHARACTERISTICS

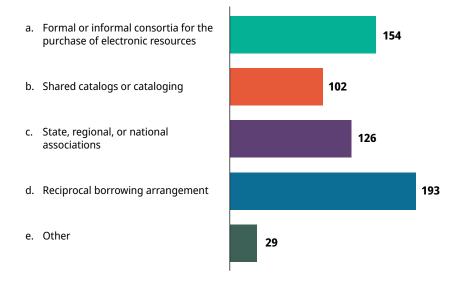
1. Which of the following most accurately describes your institution's library?



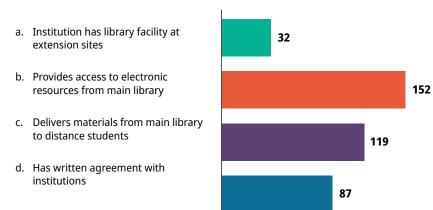
2. Is your library the primary source of support on your campus for:



3. Does the library of your institution have consortial arrangements for providing library services with one or more other institutions? (Yes – 206) If yes, please identify the corsortia/um and briefly describe the arrangement:



4. Does your institution have one or more distance education program(s) or extension site(s)? (Yes – 159) If yes (no/yes):



PART B THE LIBRARY AS PLACE

1. When were the building(s) in which the main library is located built?

	2020-present	2010-2019	2000-2009	1990-1999	1980-1989	1970-1979	1960-1969	1950-1959	1940-1949	1930-1939	1920-1929	1910-1919	Pre-1910
Library 1	3	17	27	21	19	22	57	26	8	3	11	6	8
Library 2	2	4	5	0	4	2	3	2	1	0	0	2	1
Library 3	1	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

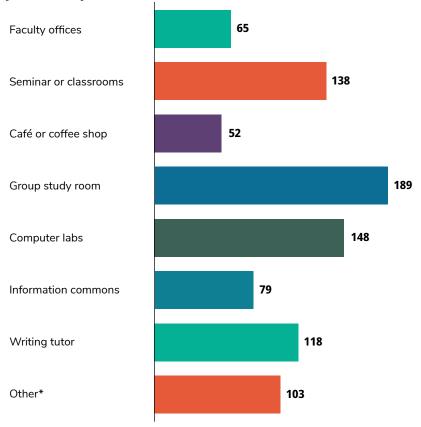
2. When were the buildings in which the main library is located subsequently renovated?

	2020 & later	2010-2019	2000-2009	1990-1999	1980-1989	1970-1979	1960-1969	1950-1959	1940-1949	1930-1939	1920-1929	1910-1919	Pre-1910
Library 1	36	88	32	13	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Library 2	4	9	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Library 3	1	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

3. Do you use offsite storage?

Of the 44 libraries who responded in the affirmative, it was reported that an average of 26% of the total library collection was stored offsite, with the average number of volumes being 133,133. Among the other items stored offsite were archival materials, bound periodicals, rare books, art, and unprocessed materials. Some reported that offsite storage could refer to another building on campus.

4. What other spaces or services are offered and/or housed in your library?



^{*} Includes archives, bookstores, curriculum centers, denominational materials, galleries, language labs, museums, other offices/centers, study rooms and carrels, special collections, tech support, Zoom classrooms, makerspace, university archives, lactation rooms, and vending machines/lunchroom.

SURVEY PARTICIPANTS

Abilene Christian University Graduate School of Theology

Academy for Jewish Religion

Acadia Divinity College

Alliance Theological Seminary

Ambrose Seminary

America Evangelical University Seminary

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary

Anderson University School of Theology

Antiochian House of Studies

Aguinas Institute of Theology

Ashland Theological Seminary

Assemblies of God Theological Seminary

Associated Canadian Theological Schools

Athenaeum of Ohio

Atlantic School of Theology

Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary

Azusa Pacific Seminary

B. H. Carroll Theological Seminary

Baptist Missionary Association Theological Seminary

Baptist Seminary of Kentucky

Barry University Department of Theology and Philosophy

Beeson Divinity School

Berkeley Divinity School

Berkeley School of Theology (CA)

Bethany Theological Seminary

Bethel Seminary

Boston College School of Theology and Ministry

Boston University School of Theology

Briercrest College and Seminary

Brite Divinity School

Byzantine Catholic Seminary of SS. Cyril and Methodius

Calvin Theological Seminary

Campbell University Divinity School

Canadian Baptist Theological Seminary

Canadian Reformed Theological Seminary

Candler School of Theology

Carey Theological College

Catholic Distance University Graduate School of Theology

Catholic Theological Union

Catholic University of America School of Theology and Religious

Studies

Central Baptist Theological Seminary

Central Baptist Theological Seminary of Minneapolis

Chapman Seminary

Chicago Theological Seminary

China Evangelical Seminary North America

Christ School of Theology

Christian Theological Seminary

Christian Witness Theological Seminary

Church Divinity School of the Pacific

Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School

Columbia Biblical Seminary

Columbia Theological Seminary

Concordia Lutheran Seminary (AB)

Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary (ON)

Concordia Seminary (MO)

Concordia Theological Seminary (IN)

Cornerstone Theological Seminary

Covenant Theological Seminary

Crown College Graduate School of Ministry

Dallas Theological Seminary

Denver Seminary

Dickerson-Green Theological Seminary

Dominican House of Studies

Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology

Drew University Theological School

Duke University Divinity School

Earlham School of Religion

Eastern Mennonite Seminary

Ecumenical Theological Seminary

Eden Theological Seminary

Emmanuel Christian Seminary

Emmanuel College

Erskine Theological Seminary

Evangelia University Graduate School of Theology

Franciscan School of Theology

Freed-Hardeman University Graduate School of Theology

Fresno Pacific Biblical Seminary

Fuller Theological Seminary

Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

Gateway Seminary

General Theological Seminary

George W. Truett Theological Seminary

GETS Theological Seminary

Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary

Grace Mission University Graduate School

Grace School of Theology

Grace Theological Seminary

Graduate School of Theology and Ministry in Puerto Rico, St. Albert the Great

Graduate Theological Union

Grand Canyon Theological Seminary

Hartford International University for Religion and Peace

Harvard University Divinity School

Hazelip School of Theology

Heritage Christian University Graduate School of Theology

Heritage Theological Seminary

HMS Richards Divinity School Division of Graduate Studies

Holy Apostles College and Seminary

Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology

Hood Theological Seminary

Horizon College and Seminary

Howard University School of Divinity

Huron University College Faculty of Theology

Iliff School of Theology

Immaculate Conception Seminary

Inter American University of Puerto Rico-Metropolitan Campus

Inter-American Adventist Theological Seminary

Interdenominational Theological Center

International Reformed University and Seminary

International Theological Seminary

James and Carolyn McAfee School of Theology

Jesuit School of Theology

John Leland Center for Theological Studies

Kairos University

Kearley Graduate School of Theology

Kenrick-Glennon Seminary

Knox College

Knox Theological Seminary

Lancaster Theological Seminary

Lexington Theological Seminary

Liberty University John W. Rawlings School of Divinity

Lincoln Christian Seminary

Logos Evangelical Seminary

Logsdon Seminary of Logsdon School of Theology

Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary

Loyola Marymount University Department of Theological Studies

Loyola University Chicago Institute of Pastoral Studies

Luther Seminary

Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

Lutheran Theological Seminary (SK)

Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary

M. Christopher White School of Divinity

Martin Luther University College

McCormick Theological Seminary

McGill University School of Religious Studies

McMaster Divinity College

Meadville Lombard Theological School

Memphis Theological Seminary

Methodist Theological School in Ohio

Mid-America Reformed Seminary

Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

Missio Theological Seminary

Moody Theological Seminary

Moravian Theological Seminary

Mount Angel Seminary

Mount Saint Mary's Seminary

Multnomah Biblical Seminary

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Nashotah House

Nazarene Theological Seminary

Neal T. Jones Seminary

New Brunswick Theological Seminary

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

New York Theological Seminary

North Park Theological Seminary

Northeastern Seminary

Northern Baptist Theological Seminary

Northwest Nazarene University Graduate School of Theology

Northwest Seminary

Notre Dame Seminary

Oblate School of Theology

Oklahoma Christian University Graduate School of Theology

Oral Roberts University Graduate School of Theology and Ministry

Pacific Christian College of Ministry and Biblical Studies

Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary

Pacific School of Religion

Palm Beach Atlantic University School of Ministry Graduate

Department

Palmer Theological Seminary

Payne Theological Seminary

Pentecostal Theological Seminary

Perkins School of Theology

Phillips Theological Seminary

Phoenix Seminary

Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary

Portland Seminary

Presbyterian Theological Seminary in America

Princeton Theological Seminary

Providence Theological Seminary

Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary

Queen's College Faculty of Theology

Reformed Episcopal Seminary

Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary

Reformed Theological Seminary

Regent College

Regent University School of Divinity

Robert E. Webber Institute for Worship Studies

Sacred Heart Major Seminary

Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology

Saint John's Seminary (MA)

Saint John's University School of Theology and Seminary

Saint Mary Seminary and Graduate School of Theology

Saint Meinrad School of Theology

Saint Paul School of Theology

Saint Paul Seminary School of Divinity

Saint Sophia Ukrainian Orthodox Theological Seminary

Saint Vincent Seminary

Samuel DeWitt Proctor School of Theology

San Francisco Theological Seminary

Seattle Pacific Seminary

Seminario Evangélico de Puerto Rico

Seminary of the Southwest

Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary

Shaw University Divinity School

Shepherds Theological Seminary

Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary

Southeastern University School of Divinity

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Southern California Seminary Graduate School of Bible and Theology

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

St. Andrew's College

St. Augustine's Seminary of Toronto

St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry

St. Charles Borromeo Seminary

St. John Vianney Theological Seminary

St. John's Seminary (CA)

St. Joseph's Seminary

St. Mark's College

St. Mary's Seminary and University

St. Patrick's Seminary and University

St. Peter's Seminary

St. Stephen's College

St. Tikhon's Orthodox Theological Seminary

St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary

St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary

Starr King School for the Ministry

Talbot School of Theology

The King's Seminary

The Master's Seminary

The Seattle School of Theology and Psychology

Trinity College Faculty of Divinity

Trinity Episcopal School for Ministry

Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

Trinity Lutheran Seminary

Tyndale Seminary

Union Presbyterian Seminary

Union Theological Seminary

United Lutheran Seminary

United Theological Seminary

United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities

University of Chicago Divinity School

University of Dubuque Theological Seminary

University of Northwestern-St. Paul School of Theology and Ministry

University of Notre Dame Department of Theology

University of St. Mary of the Lake Mundelein Seminary

University of St. Michael's College Faculty of Theology

University of the South School of Theology

Urshan Graduate School of Theology

Vancouver School of Theology

Vanderbilt University Divinity School

Villanova University Department of Theology and Religious Studies

Virginia Theological Seminary

Wake Forest University School of Divinity

Wartburg Theological Seminary

Wesley Biblical Seminary

Wesley Seminary

Wesley Theological Seminary

Western Seminary

Western Theological Seminary
Westminster Theological Seminary
Westminster Theological Seminary in California
Winebrenner Theological Seminary
Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary
World Mission University School of Theology
Wycliffe College
Yale Divinity School