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A mural near my house implores commuters to “Be your best self.” I believe this roadside platitude captures the essence of the Board’s work during the past year. At the heart of that work were questions of identity and improvement. How should who ATLA has been inform who ATLA is now? The Board wrestled with these questions all the while continuing to keep the future in view. We asked, how do we capture the best of ATLA and apply that to the scholarly communication problems of the coming years?

One of the Board’s tasks this year was to clearly articulate who our stakeholders are and to create a systematic way to connect with them. This required the Board to look at the work of the Association from many different vantage points and led to the creation of a third permanent board committee, the Moral Ownership Committee. This committee is charged with ensuring the Board is getting the appropriate input from ATLA members.

The ATLA bylaws were amended to create two new membership categories, Retired Members, and Emeritus Members. Many of us come to greatly value the friendship and personal connections we make through ATLA. The new membership categories are designed to preserve that fellowship with as many people as possible while allowing the business of ATLA proceed efficiently. I want to thank the Lifetime Membership Taskforce for helping us arrive at this solution.

Our association is sustained by our products. This year we were excited to see the contents of the Catholic Periodical Literature Index® added to the ATLA Religion Database®. We are proud of ATLA’s history of successfully indexing the scholarly literature in theology and religion. The Board believes that adding the Catholic material to the flagship database and the creation of ATLASerials PLUS® continues our history of providing excellent products to students and scholars in our disciplines and will continue to provide a solid financial base for our association in the years ahead.

Finally, the Board worked with the Scholarly Communication Task Force to help us understand the complex nexus of issues surrounding scholarly communication. I’m excited about the opportunities that exist for ATLA to improve access to religious and theological scholarship and help connect our campuses to communities from around the globe. Thanks to the solid foundation that has been laid, I think the best work of ATLA is still in the future.

Sincerely,
Matthew Ostercamp
ATLA Board President
ATLA is now in its third year under the strategic plan developed in tandem with a new vision for the association. At the same time, the core purpose was reaffirmed: To promote worldwide scholarly communication in religion and theology by advancing the work of libraries and related information providers. The task of furthering this work falls largely to the staff and member volunteers, guided by the organization’s core values. While every core value is important, that of hospitality, inclusion, and diversity was the primary theme for the year.

Our biggest accomplishment of the year was the release of a new full-text product, ATLASerials PLUS®. The journals included in it represent a significant diversification of subject and language coverage beyond that of ATLASerials®. Journals in twenty-one languages are now included and full text from religious traditions such as Catholicism, Buddhism, Islam, and Judaism was expanded.

In the second year after the adoption of revised bylaws with new, more inclusive membership requirements, ATLA’s organizational membership continued to grow. More Institutional Members from outside North America were added and four-year colleges continued to join.

In spring 2018, a formal International Theological Librarianship Education Task Force was formed. The Task Force, which is a collaborative effort of several different theological library associations from around the world, includes representatives from U.S., Canada, Australia, Germany, India, Kenya, Costa Rica, and the Philippines.

Forward movement on a strategic plan requires adequate financial resources to support on-going initiatives, conduct market research, assess user needs, and develop new products and services. ATLA enjoys continued strong financial health. Earned income for the year came in 5% better than budgeted and expenses were under budget by 7%. Ensuring long term financial sustainability of the Association’s work means investing in the ATLA Endowment Fund. At the end of the fiscal year, the Fund had a value of $680,497, up from $560,426 the previous year.

Even as the ATLA board, members, and staff celebrate the accomplishments of the fiscal year 2018, we already have our eyes on the horizon. We anticipate even more momentum on our strategic initiatives as ATLA continues to advance the work of libraries and related information providers in a global environment.

Thank you to all those who together throughout this past year have helped ATLA to thrive.

Sincerely,
Brenda Bailey-Hainer
ATLA Executive Director
The mission of the American Theological Library Association is to foster the study of theology and religion by enhancing the development of theological and religious studies libraries and librarianship.
For more than 40 years, ATLA maintained separate boards to oversee its indexing and preservation microform programs. In 1991, the boards overseeing those programs were merged with the Association board to form one Board of Directors to oversee all of the Association’s activities. The Board of Directors developed policies by which the Association was to be guided and hired an Executive Director to manage the Association’s financial and organizational affairs.

The Board and membership of the Association adopted a mission statement and Organizational Ends to guide the Association’s activities and programs:

All those involved in the practice, study and teaching of and scholarly communication in theology and religion worldwide are connected to others in the field and have the tools, skills, and primary sources needed to advance their work.

**ATLA exists so that:**

1. Professionals engaged in librarianship and scholarly communication are advocating and collaborating in order to advance scholarship in theological and religious disciplines.
   a. Librarians and scholarly communication professionals are developing and strengthening connections that lead to innovative solutions for shared challenges.
   b. Librarians and scholarly communication professionals are developing increased capacities to work in diverse and changing environments.

2. Students, scholars, and information professionals have the tools they need for robust scholarly communication in the fields of theology and religion.

3. Students, scholars, and religious leaders skillfully use information resources to create knowledge, grow in wisdom, and share the results of their research.

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**Core Purpose**

To promote worldwide scholarly communication in religion and theology by advancing the work of libraries and related information providers.

**Core Values**

- Excellence in library collections and services
- Widest possible access to relevant information and ideas
- Hospitality, inclusion, and diversity
- Collegiality and collaboration
- Creativity, innovation, and transformation

**Strategic Goals**

- ATLA is recognized globally as a strategic collaborator.
- ATLA has a solid reputation as a facilitator of open access publishing in the study of religion and theology.
- ATLA membership is more diverse and inclusive.
- ATLA has a shared understanding of what it means to be a hub.
ATLA is recognized globally as a strategic collaborator. This year we made it our goal to meet, collaborate, and learn from our community.

**Strengthening Partnerships Around the Globe**

- AAR and SBL Annual Meetings–Boston, MA
- ALA Annual Conference–New Orleans, LA
- ALA Midwinter Conference–Denver, CO
- ASAE Great Ideas–Colorado Springs, CO
- Catholic Biblical Association Annual Meeting–Denver, CO
- CNI Fall Meeting–Washington, D.C.
- CNI Spring Meeting–San Diego, CA
- DrupalCon–Nashville, TN
- eLearning Africa 2017–Mauritius
- European Theological Libraries (BETH)–Zagreb, Croatia
- Frankfurt Book Fair–Frankfurt, Germany
- Forum of Asian Theological Libraries (ForATL)–Jarkata, Indonesia

- Library Publishing Forum–Minneapolis, MN
- National Festival of Young Preachers–Atlanta, GA
- NFAIS Annual Conference–Alexandria, VA
- NFAIS Humanities Roundtable–Washington, DC
- NFAIS Blockchain for Scholarly Publishing–Washington, DC
- NSAIG 2018–Atlanta, GA
- Open Access Symposium (joint w/ Joint Conference on Digital Libraries)–Fort Worth, TX
- SBL International Meeting–Helsinki, Finland
- SCELCapalooza–Los Angeles, CA
- The International Coalition of Library Consortia (ICOLC)–Detroit, MI
- UKSG 2018–Glasgow, UK
An International Task Force Established

Realizing there was a lack of affordable education and professional development opportunities in many countries for theological librarians, ATLA has created the International Theological Librarianship Education Task Force.

Through collaboration with our peer associations in other parts of the world, including ABTAPL (Association of British Theological and Philosophical Libraries), BETH (Bibliothèques Européennes de Théologie), ForATL (Forum of Asian Theological Libraries), and ANZTLA (Australian and New Zealand Theological Library Association), we have identified key areas where we can help.

This task force is truly international and we hope that these diverse voices will help theological librarians from around the world.
ATLA Membership is more diverse and inclusive.

Developing Country Conference Program

We understand the importance of supporting theological librarianship throughout the world, so we established the Developing Country Program to make attending the ATLA Annual Conference affordable for members in eligible developing countries.

- 14 International attendees paid $0 registration fees to attend the conference
- 27 Received conference Travel Grants (Non U.S. and Canada) totaling $20,500
- 7 Received Developing Country Conference Grants totaling $7,000

The Developing Countries Initiative

We also believe that our databases should be more affordable in developing countries.

- 286 Subscriptions to ATLA databases at institutions in developing countries
- 37 total developing countries served

ATLA has a solid reputation as a facilitator of open access publishing in the study of religion & theology.

ATLA hires Scholarly Communication/Open Access Publishing Manager

Christine Fruin joined ATLA in October 2017 to support our efforts in open access publishing.

Open Access at the ATLA Annual Conference

ATLA hosted a pre-conference session at the 2018 ATLA Annual Conference entitled “Writing for the Profession: Librarians as Scholarly Authors.” The workshop, led by Dr. Maria Bonn of the University of Illinois iSchool and members of the ATLA Press Coordinating Council, provided participants with guidance on the writing and publishing process and offered them opportunities during individual and group activity time to develop a research question and craft a writing and publishing plan.

Member Publications Shift to Open Access

Theology Cataloging Bulletin (TCB) and the ATLA Summary of Proceedings, two valued and frequently consulted resources of the ATLA membership and others, were shifted to open access publications. The editors were busy in 2018 establishing their publications on the Open Journal Systems (OJS) platforms, preparing their authors for these changes, and they look forward to having their work published in 2019.

ATLA has a shared understanding of what it means to be a hub.

We supported a digital repository that contains metadata from ATLA member libraries and archives and collections of other libraries and institutions.

The ATLA Digital Library continued to grow from 13,928 items to 41,165 items.

Two libraries joined the Digital Library, Princeton Theological Seminary Library and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary Libraries.

Additionally, ATLA staff created documentation, including Metadata Guidelines and Best Practices and worked with developers to create a custom harvester.
We published original scholarship from theological librarians, scholars, and others

1. Summary of Proceedings
2. Open Access Monograph Never Enough Singing: Essays in Honor of Seth Kasten Re-Print
3. Issues of Theological Librarianship
4. Issues of Theology Cataloging Bulletin

Hosted two journals

**The ANZTLA EJournal**
Official serial publication of the Australian and New Zealand Theological Library Association.

**The Wabash Center Journal on Teaching**
The Wabash Center Journal on Teaching is an online, open-access, peer-reviewed quarterly journal on teaching in the fields of religious and theological studies in higher education.

We provided resources like the ATLA RDB, ATLAS, and ATLAS PLUS that students and scholars used to identify relevant resources online.

**OVER 2.7 million records of scholarship in ATLA RDB**

338 full text journals in religion and theology in ATLAS

468 full text journals in religion and theology in ATLAS PLUS

**SPONSORED**

9 webinars

to foster the exchange of ideas within the theological librarianship profession and share information about important resources.

242 attended

110 viewed on-demand

These webinars were sponsored by the Professional Development Committee (PDC), Committee for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI), and our business partners.

Connected people to jobs and helped institutions find the right employees by posting

50+ job openings
Committee for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

In order to realize and live the core value of hospitality, inclusion, and diversity as outlined in the ATLA Strategic Plan, the Committee for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) is committed to advancing Atla’s culture that affirms the intrinsic value of all members regardless of racial, cultural, age, career stage/professional experience, sexual orientation, gender expression, expression of religious tradition, disabilities, or socioeconomic differences by:

- Identifying, acknowledging, and deconstructing barriers to diversity, equity, and inclusion;
- Welcoming, valuing, and celebrating multiple perspectives and cultural vantage points;
- Increasing awareness and sensitivity toward issues of diversity, equity, and inclusion;
- Modeling meaningful exchange and full community participation;
- Creating and maintaining a welcoming and respectful environment;
- Embedding diversity, equity, and inclusion into the work and outcomes of the Association;
- Providing members with resources, tools, and best practices they can use at their own institutions as appropriate;
- And transforming Atla’s composition to reflect the diversity of members’ institutions and communities.
Committee Members
Donna Wells, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Chair
Ondrea Murphy, Delaware State University
Evan Boyd, United Lutheran Seminary
Lee Staman, Center for Action & Contemplation
Drew Baker, Claremont School of Theology
Roger Morales, ATLA staff liaison

DEI at the ATLA Annual Conference
Sponsored two sessions
• Interfaith at The Hearth: Focolare and Beyond*
• Are We All Saints? How One Church Has Strived for Radical Welcome and Inclusion in Their Congregation

*Co-sponsored with the World Religions Interest Group
The Conference Committee is the strategic and long-range planning agent for the Association’s annual conferences. This committee also identifies and responds to needs for continuing education of ATLA members at the ATLA Annual Conference.

Committee Members
Paul Tippey, Chair
Cindy Aalders — 2019 Local Host Committee Representative
Robert Burgess
Erica Durham — 2017 Local Host Committee Representative
Shanée Yvette Murrain
Robert Roethemeyer — 2018 Local Host Committee Representative
Matthew Thiesen
Rebecca Yowler
Miranda Bennett—Proceedings Editor in Chief, ex-officio
Gillian Harrison Cain, Ex-Officio
Denise McFarlin, ATLA Staff Liaison

The 2018 ATLA Annual Conference
Connections at the Crossroads: Creative Collaboration in a Changing Landscape

300+ members  115 sessions  68 proposals submitted  98 speakers
THE WORK OF THE ASSOCIATION

[Front, left to right] Rebecca Yowler, Cindy Aalders, [Back, left to right] Robert Burgess, Matthew Thiesen, Miranda Bennett, Erica Durham, Robert Roethemeyer, [Not pictured] Paul Tippey, Shaneé Yvette Murrain
The Endowment Committee informs the membership of the purpose of the Endowment Fund, the cultivation of donor relationships, and the solicitation of major gifts through planned (estate) gifts and other funding sources.

**Committee Members**

Sharon Taylor, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Chair  
Eric Benoy, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary  
Pat Graham, Retired  
Craig Kubic, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary  
Dennis Swanson, University of North Carolina at Pembroke  
Brenda Bailey-Hainer, ATLA Staff Liaison  
Marie Jacobsen, ATLA Staff Liaison
During fiscal year 2018, 48 individuals made donations totaling $4,511.50. ATLA matched these gifts and contributed an additional $15,488.50 for a total contribution of $20,000. Thanks to generous donations and a strong market this year, as of August 31, 2018, the fund had a balance of $680,497 is an increase of $120,071 over last year’s total.
The Professional Development Committee (PDC) fosters the development of librarians and related information professionals who serve theological and religious studies scholarship and study.

We define the infrastructure needed to deliver professional development opportunities to members throughout the year by:

- determining member needs
- identifying expert resources
- utilizing a variety of methods and delivery mechanisms

In doing so, we facilitate the exchange of ideas and support members at every point in their careers.

Committee Members
Wesley Custer, Asbury Theological Seminary, Chair
Yasmine Abou-El-Kheir, Chicago Theological Seminary
Martha Adkins, University of San Diego, Secretary
Michael Bradford, Harvard University
James Estes, Wesley Theological Seminary
Warren Watson, Payne Theological Seminary
Gillian Harrison Cain, ATLA Staff Liaison
Webinars
The PDC endeavors each year to provide programming and information relevant to the membership of ATLA.

9 webinars
242 registrations
110 views On Demand Learning
International Theological Librarianship Education Task Force

To strengthen and connect theological and religious studies librarians worldwide by identifying resources, creating educational opportunities, and developing skill enhancement materials through collaborative efforts.

Taskforce Members
Kelly Campbell, Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, Georgia, U.S., Chair
Yasmine Abou-el-Kheir, Chicago Theological Seminary, Chicago, Illinois, U.S.
Sandy Ayer, Ambrose University, Calgary, Alberta, Canada
Carisse Berryhill, Abilene Christian University, Abilene, Texas, U.S.
Kerrie Burn, Catholic Theological College, University of Divinity, Melbourne, Australia
Matina Ćurić, Berlin, Germany
Seoyoung Kim, World Mission University, Los Angeles, California, U.S.
Griselda Lartey, Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, Georgia, U.S.
Ephraim Muldave, Africa International University, Nairobi, Kenya
Cynthia Pelena, Central Philippine University, Iloilo City, Philippines
Álvaro Pérez, Universidad Bíblica Latinoamericana, San Jose, Costa Rica
Yesan Sellen, South Asia Institute of Advanced Christian Studies (SAIACS), Bangalore, India
Brenda Bailey-Hainer, ATLA Staff Liaison

A New Task Force Formed
This year, the International Theological Librarian Education Taskforce (ITLETF) organized with members covering 10 time zones and represents eight countries.
Scholarly Communication Task Force

To advance scholarly communication in theology and religious studies by providing librarians, archivists, and other information professionals with a disciplinary framework and by implementing strategic initiatives.

Taskforce Members
Andrew Keck, Luther Seminary, Chair
Clifford B. Anderson, Vanderbilt University
Debbie Creamer, Association of Theological Schools
Michael Hemenway, Iliff School of Theology
Jérémie LeBlanc, Saint Paul University
Brenda Bailey-Hainer, Ex Officio (July 2017–March 2018)
Christine Fruin, Ex Officio (March 2018–Present)

The SCTF focused on deepening their understanding of scholarly communication concepts and sharing their collective knowledge with the ATLA Board and its membership through workshops, webinars, and other outlets.

Deepened their Understanding
In August 2017, Andrew Keck (SCTF Chair) and Matthew Ostercamp attended the FORCE11 Scholarly Communication Institute, a week-long intensive learning opportunity that provided attendees several courses in varying duration and on topics relevant to the production, review, dissemination, and evaluation of scholarly research.

Andrew and Matthew collated their newly gained knowledge with their prior study of open access in religion and theology and other scholarly communication issues and presented a workshop for the ATLA Board at its October 2017 meeting.

Hosted Webinars
SCTF members and Christine Fruin organized and delivered several learning opportunities for the ATLA membership.

- Faculty Open Access Policies by Christine Fruin, Andrew Keck, and Craig R. Koester
- Fair Use for Libraries by Christine Fruin
Hosted Sessions at the ATLA Annual Conference

Several conference sessions were led by SCTF members at the 2018 ATLA Annual Conference:

- Michael Hemenway organized the first ever ATLA THATCamp, which permitted attendees to share with and learn from one another about emerging technologies, research innovations, and issues arising in digital humanities work.

- Clifford Anderson presented a workshop on Wikidata, which taught attendees how to query and edit the linked data that runs behind Wikipedia.

- On the theme of open access, Christine Fruin taught a session on the myths of open access, and Christine and Andy Keck presented a poster on open access policies.

Informed the ATLA Community

Christine Fruin, ATLA Scholarly Communication/Open Access Publishing Manager, published nine columns on the ATLA Newsletter on recent developments, new resources, or interesting stories from the realm of scholarly communication and open access publishing.
ATLA Open Press Coordinating Council

The ATLA Open Press Coordinating Council is part of the recently established ATLA Open Press and is designed to facilitate communication between the Editorial Boards of ATLA Press imprints (Theological Librarianship, Theology Cataloging Bulletin, Open Books, Summary of Proceedings) and ATLA staff. They meet to guide creators, appropriate publication venues, share editorial calendars, look for areas of possible collaboration or cross-publication promotion, and coordinate shared activities, especially in the areas of social media, marketing, etc. to raise awareness and increase readership of all ATLA imprints.

Council Members
Miranda Bennett, Editor in Chief of ATLA Summary of Proceedings
Matthew Collins, Editor in Chief of Monographs
Leslie Engelson, Editor in Chief of Theology Cataloging Bulletin
Race MoChridhe, Student Member
Jennifer Woodruff Tait, Editor in Chief of Theological Librarianship
Christine Fruin, Staff Liaison

Council at the ATLA Annual Conference
The council hosted a pre-conference at the 2018 ATLA Annual Conference entitled “Writing for the Profession: Librarians as Scholarly Authors.” The workshop, led by Dr. Maria Bonn of the University of Illinois iSchool and members of the ATLA Open Press Coordinating Council, provided participants with guidance on the writing and publishing process and offered them opportunities during individual and group activity time to develop a research question and craft a writing and publishing plan.

Christine Fruin, ATLA Scholarly Communication/Open Access Publishing Manager, updated conference attendees on the progress of our open access and publishing endeavors during the Association Meeting at the 2018 ATLA Annual Conference.
ATLA Completes Integration of ATLA CPLI® into ATLA RDB®

Once a stand-alone product specific to Catholicism, ATLA CPLI content now enhances all versions of ATLA RDB with the inclusion of more than 500,000 additional records. As previously announced to customers in November 2017, ATLA and EBSCO worked together to help libraries successfully transition to the enhanced version of ATLA RDB.

“"I’m happy to see this integration completed,” commented Maria Stanton, ATLA’s Director of Production. “The unified index has been warmly received, with many librarians welcoming the news that their scholars can now search in one collection to find relevant material across many religions and faith traditions.”
ATLA products subscriptions via EBSCO reach 1500+ sites in more than 69 countries

Antigua and Barbuda
Argentina
Australia
Austria
Belgium
Botswana
Brazil
Canada
Central African Republic
Chile
China
Colombia
Costa Rica
Côte d’Ivoire
Croatia
Cuba
Czech Republic
Denmark
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Taiwan
Trinidad and Tobago
Uganda
Ukraine
United Arab Emirates
United Kingdom
United States
Vatican City State
Venezuela
We Added New Content to Our Product Subscriptions

**ATLA RDB**

- 955 Total Titles in RDB
- 48 Newly Appearing Index Titles
- 34 More Peer Reviewed Titles
- 22 More Open Access Titles

**ATLAS and ATLAS PLUS***

- 468 Total Titles in ATLAS PLUS
- 338 Total Titles in ATLAS
- 34 Newly Appearing Full-Text Titles
- 23 More Peer Reviewed Titles
- 6 More Open Access Titles
- 10 Newly Appearing Full-Text Titles
- 9 More Peer Reviewed Titles
- 5 More Open Access Titles

*ATLAS PLUS includes all the titles in ATLA’s original full-text product, ATLAS.*
ATLA RDB

FY18 Newly Appearing Titles in ATLA RDB

Analecta Bollandiana
Annali di Scienze Religiose
Approaching Religion
Body and Religion
Buddhism Today
Budhi
Encounter (Pontificio Istituto di Studi Arabi e d’Islamistica)
European Journal for Philosophy of Religion
Gesta
Ikon
Indonesian Journal of Islam and Muslim Societies
International Journal of Buddhist Thought & Culture
İslam araştırmaları dergisi
Ius canonicum
Journal for Religion, Film and Media
Journal for the Evangelical Study of the Old Testament
Journal for the Study of Religion
Journal for the Study of Religion & Ideologies
Journal of Hindu Studies
Journal of Medieval Monastic Studies
Journal of Religion and Culture
Journal of Spirituality in Mental Health
Journal of the Jesus Movement in Its Jewish Setting
Journal of the Pali Text Society
Koers
Lutheran Theological Review
Ma’ārif mujallah-yi tahqīq
Mamluk Studies Review
Revista Batista Pioneira
Revue Bénédictine
Revue d’Histoire de l’Eglise de France
Revue Mabillon: revue internationale d’histoire et de littérature religieuses = international review for ecclesiastical history and literature
Scripta Instituti Donnerianio Aboensis
Signs and Society
Singaporean Journal of Buddhist Studies
The Journal of Oriental Studies
The Mediæval Journal
The Pacific Journal of Baptist Research
The Review of Faith & International Affairs
Theological Perspective
ThéoRèmes
Unio cum Christo
Vajra Bodhi Sea
Voice of Buddhism

Our global reach of coverage in our index expanded to 24 countries

Austria
Belgium
Brazil
Canada
Finland
France
Indonesia
Italy
Japan
Malaysia
New Zealand
Pakistan
Philippines
Poland
Romania
Russia
Singapore
Spain
Switzerland
South Africa
Polish
South Korea
Turkey
United Kingdom
United States
ATLAS & ATLAS PLUS

FY18 Newly Appearing Titles in ATLAS & ATLAS PLUS

Acta Philosophica
Anuario de Historia de la Iglesia
Approaching Religion
ARC: The Journal of the Faculty of Religious Studies, McGill University
Archivum Historiae Pontificiae
Asian Philosophy
Body and Religion
Budhi
Cistercian Studies Quarterly
Cithara
Contemporary Buddhism: an interdisciplinary journal
Diálogo ecuménico
Encounter (Pontificio Istituto di Studi Arabi e d’Islamistica)
Familia
Helmántica
In Trust

International Journal of Children’s Spirituality
International Journal of Philosophy and Theology
Islamochristiana
Ius canonicum
Journal for Christian Theological Research
Journal of Contemporary Religion
Journal of Modern Jewish Studies
Journal of Moral Theology
La Civiltà Cattolica
Landas
Medieval Sermon Studies
Nordisk judaistik
Point Series
Politics, Religion & Ideology
Revista española de derecho canónico
Scripta Instituti Donnerian Aboensis
The Review of Faith & International Affairs
Vox scripturae: Revista teológica brasileira

ATLAS and ATLAS PLUS now include journals covering 21 languages!!
ATLA Funnel Projects

We support 3 Funnel Projects.
The Funnel Projects include NACO (Name Authority Cooperative Program), SACO (Subject Authority Cooperative Program), and CONSER (Cooperative Online Serials Program). They are component parts of the Program for Cooperative Cataloging (PCC) and are sponsored by the Professional Development Committee.

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Consortia and Grants

**ATLA Serials Exchange**
The ATLA Serials Exchange (ASE) allows ATLA’s Institutional Members to freely exchange duplicate serials by listing materials offered in a shared database where others can view and claim materials.

177 Institutional Members use this program

**Consortial Purchasing Programs**
The ATLA Consortial Purchasing Program enables members to obtain reduced pricing for various products. Participation in the three primary programs included:

- ATLA/EBSCO Consortium—90 libraries
- ATLA/OCLC Consortium—35 libraries
- OCLC WMS Group—31 libraries
- OCLC SCS—4 libraries
- ATLA/SCELC—41 institutions licensing 64 products from 18 vendors

**Grants**

*Regional Grants*
2 grants totaling $800

*Consultation Grants*
3 grants totaling $2400

**Member Product Loyalty Fund**
$13,250 total discounted funds from conference registration
71 attendees received member loyalty funds

**Scholarship**
Lucy Flamm Awarded ATLA’s 2018 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Scholarship totaling $4,000
Board of Directors

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Independent Auditor’s Report

To the Board of Directors
American Theological Library Association

Report on the Financial Statements
We have audited the accompanying financial statements of American Theological Library Association which comprise the statements of financial position as of August 31, 2018 and 2017, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management’s Responsibility for the Financial Statements
Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor’s Responsibility
Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor’s judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity’s preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity’s internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion
In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of American Theological Library Association as of August 31, 2018 and 2017, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Chicago, Illinois
February 7, 2019
# American Theological Library Association

## Statements of Financial Position

**August 31, 2018 and 2017**

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**See notes to financial statements.**
## American Theological Library Association

### Statements of Activities

#### Years Ended August 31, 2018 and 2017

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American Theological Library Association

Statements of Cash Flows
Years Ended August 31, 2018 and 2017

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| **Cash flows from investing activities:** |           |           |
| Purchase of property and equipment | $(416,219)| (25,831)  |
| Additions to intangible assets      | $(1,338,079)| (1,330,580)|
| Purchase of investments             | $(7,802,519)| (9,814,300)|
| Proceeds from sales of investments  | 8,248,337 | 9,499,173 |
| **Net cash used in investing activities** | $(1,308,480)| (1,671,538)|

| Increase in cash and cash equivalents | 414,081 | 210,567 |

| **Cash and cash equivalents:** |           |           |
| Beginning of year               | 1,611,040| 1,400,473|
| **End of year**                 | $2,025,121| $1,611,040|

See notes to financial statements.
**Endowment Fund**

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Ellen Frost
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M. Patrick Graham
Shirley Gunn
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Roberta Hamburger
Wm. T. & Kathryn Henderson
Andrew Keck
Richard Lammert
Alexandra Leach
R. Virginia Leach
 Brad Ost
Matthew Ostercamp
James Pakala
David Peterson
Robert Phillips
Russell Pollard
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Eileen Saner
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Dennis Swanson
Stephen Sweeney
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Page Thomas
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Jennifer Woodruff Tait
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Miranda Bennett
Eric Benoy
Myron Chace
Stephen Crocco
Virginia Dearborn
Ellen Frost
Douglas Gragg
Richard Lammert
Melody McMahon
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Brian Wright
Clifford Wunderlich
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