Section Three: News and Views
(of the ATLA Technical Services Section)

LC GENRE/FORM TERMS FOR RELIGIOUS MATERIALS PROJECT

The project concluded in October with the following announcement from LC:

Forty-five genre/form terms to describe religious materials were approved on October 2, 2015. The religion genre/form project was a collaboration of PSD and the American Theological Library Association, which coordinated with the Association of Jewish Libraries, the Catholic Library Association, and the Council on East Asian Libraries. PSD thanks all those who worked to develop the list of terms, which includes terms pertinent to several religious traditions.

The Library of Congress' Acquisitions and Bibliographic Access directorate, which catalogs most of the religious materials acquired for the Library's general collections, has not yet determined its schedule for implementing the genre/form terms for religious works. The date will be announced when it is available.

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