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Rose Behrens Library Media Specialist Perrymont Elementary School 220 Wayne Drive Lynchburg, VA 24502 rbehrens@lynchburg.net s I write, jackhammers are pounding above my office. Water leaks have been pouring in on our book stacks. Dust and debris litter the hallways outside the library. Anyone who has endured a home renovation

or library expansion project may relate to this chaos and upheaval.

Change is a constant in our lives. Does it always have to be this painful?

As we piece together yet another Conference issue of *The*

Christian Librarian, I'm prompted to reflect on the changes of the last year, both personally and professionally.

We elected a new President and various Board Members of the Association of Christian Librarians. It was a joy to meet with our new President, Steve Preston, and members of the TCL Team for the winter editors' meeting. We discussed TCL's new format and the problems involved with using a new printer. Those conversations resulted in change.

Our Review Editor, Bob Ellett, embarked on a new educational venture -- the pursuit of a doctoral degree. His life has greatly changed as his schedule has been challenged with the additional time and study requirements. The TCL team rejoices with Bob's accomplishments and endeavors. At the same time we wish to relieve his work load and announce that beginning with this issue of *The Christian Librarian*, Phyllis Fox of Point Loma Nazarene University will be taking on the responsibilities of Review Editor.

May God bless you, Bob, in all you are undertaking for His kingdom. Thank you for your commitment and service to the Association of Christian Librarians in general, and to *The* *Christian Librarian* in particular. We appreciate you. Please be sure to read Bob's article in this issue, "Search Engines Giving You Garbage? Put a 'CORC' In It." You will appreciate his presentation of a complex and impor-

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tant solution for libraries concerning the future of acquisitions, reference, and cataloging.

Some of you may have noticed my new last name which is certainly a symbol of personal change from the year

past. My wedding last June prevented me from attending the ACL Conference in San Diego. But what a delight it was to read the reports and place the photos in a layout for the September 2000 issue of The Christian Librarian. It was evident that a marvelous time was had by all.

And now we look forward to a change of venue for the 2001 ACL Conference. I hope this issue of TCL will whet your appetite to attend. The Library staff of Olivet Nazarene University extends their warmest welcome to join them in Bourbonnais, Illinois. ACL's Conferences are better every year. The workshops and presentations will be lively, interesting, and brimming with information to take home to all of our libraries. And the Christian fellowship of ACL Conference will never change!

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Blessings, Diane Garber Design Editor