

To: Joint Steering Committee for Revision of AACR
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Subject: **Bible Uniform Titles**

ACOC confirms the JSC decisions on Bible uniform titles taken at the April 2007 JSC meeting.

- The Old and New Testaments will be referred to by their spelled out forms, not the existing AACR2 abbreviations "O.T." and "N.T."
- Access points for individual books of the Bible will use the name of the book immediately following "Bible" rather than interposing the name of the appropriate Testament.
- Access points in the form "Bible. Old Testament", "Bible. New Testament", and "Bible. Apocrypha" will be used to identify those parts of the Bible as aggregate works.

We have not taken this decision lightly, but consider the expense of implementation of this decision in existing databases is justified by the increased utility of the headings for users.

ACOC agrees with the British Library's recommendation that the national libraries agree on an implementation plan, and announce the plan publicly.