

SOCIETY OF BIBLICAL LITERATURE
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 AND 2009
with
INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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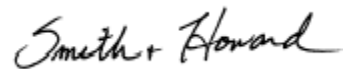
INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Audit/Finance/Investment Committee Society of Biblical Literature

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial position of the Society of Biblical Literature (the "Society") as of June 30, 2010 and 2009, and the related statements of activities and changes in net assets, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Society's management. 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 of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Society of Biblical Literature as of June 30, 2010 and 2009, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.



September 10, 2010

**SOCIETY OF BIBLICAL LITERATURE
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
JUNE 30, 2010 AND 2009**

ASSETS

| | <u>2010</u> | <u>2009</u> |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 986,698 | \$ 906,455 |
| Marketable securities (Notes 1 and 2) | 803,895 | 680,924 |
| Accounts receivable | 109,233 | 64,722 |
| Pledges receivable, net | 1,000 | 400 |
| Prepaid expenses and other assets | 28,203 | 27,691 |
| Book inventories, net of valuation reserve | 40,354 | 40,265 |
| Furniture and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation | 28,557 | 42,277 |
| Net share of Luce Center assets (Note 3) | <u>1,991,183</u> | <u>1,986,856</u> |
| Total Assets | <u>\$ 3,989,123</u> | <u>\$ 3,749,590</u> |

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

| | | |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Liabilities | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ 215,248 | \$ 236,597 |
| Deferred revenue | | |
| Memberships and subscriptions | 445,690 | 419,955 |
| Annual meetings | 557,126 | 596,353 |
| International meeting | <u>67,565</u> | <u>88,145</u> |
| | 1,070,381 | 1,104,453 |
| Total Liabilities | 1,285,629 | 1,341,050 |
| Net Assets | | |
| Unrestricted net assets | 2,202,506 | 2,001,937 |
| Temporarily restricted net assets (Note 6) | 217,293 | 123,453 |
| Permanently restricted net assets (Note 7) | <u>283,695</u> | <u>283,150</u> |
| Total Net Assets | <u>2,703,494</u> | <u>2,408,540</u> |
| Total Liabilities and Net Assets | <u>\$ 3,989,123</u> | <u>\$ 3,749,590</u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

SOCIETY OF BIBLICAL LITERATURE
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

| | June 30, 2010 | | | <u>Total</u> |
|--|---------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| | <u>Unrestricted</u> | <u>Temporarily Restricted</u> | <u>Permanently Restricted</u> | |
| Revenues and gains | | | | |
| Congresses | \$ 995,173 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 995,173 |
| Membership | | | | |
| Membership fees | 441,725 | - | - | 441,725 |
| Marketing | 34,384 | - | - | 34,384 |
| Professions | | | | |
| Career center | 29,886 | - | - | 29,886 |
| Grant revenue | 34,033 | - | - | 34,033 |
| Publications | | | | |
| Book sales | 421,713 | - | - | 421,713 |
| Subscriptions | 370,586 | - | - | 370,586 |
| Royalties | 105,129 | - | - | 105,129 |
| Marketing | 34,450 | - | - | 34,450 |
| Other | 9,977 | - | - | 9,977 |
| Development and fundraising | 65,954 | 38,536 | 545 | 105,035 |
| Investment income (loss) and change in market value, net (Note 2) | 135,825 | 55,304 | - | 191,129 |
| Rental income (loss), net | 3,630 | - | - | 3,630 |
| Loss on disposal of property and equipment | (7,338) | - | - | (7,338) |
| Total Revenues and Gains | <u>2,675,127</u> | <u>93,840</u> | <u>545</u> | <u>2,769,512</u> |
| Expenses | | | | |
| Congresses | 729,479 | - | - | 729,479 |
| Membership | 154,752 | - | - | 154,752 |
| Professions | 227,061 | - | - | 227,061 |
| Publications | 909,656 | - | - | 909,656 |
| Regions | 93,954 | - | - | 93,954 |
| Research and technology | 97,853 | - | - | 97,853 |
| Total Program Expenses | <u>2,212,755</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>2,212,755</u> |
| Development and fundraising | 103,092 | - | - | 103,092 |
| General and administration | 158,711 | - | - | 158,711 |
| Total Expenses | <u>2,474,558</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>2,474,558</u> |
| Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets | 200,569 | 93,840 | 545 | 294,954 |
| Net Assets at Beginning of the Year | <u>2,001,937</u> | <u>123,453</u> | <u>283,150</u> | <u>2,408,540</u> |
| Net Assets at End of the Year | <u>\$ 2,202,506</u> | <u>\$ 217,293</u> | <u>\$ 283,695</u> | <u>\$ 2,703,494</u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

SOCIETY OF BIBLICAL LITERATURE
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

| | June 30, 2009 | | | <u>Total</u> |
|--|---------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| | <u>Unrestricted</u> | <u>Temporarily Restricted</u> | <u>Permanently Restricted</u> | |
| Revenues and gains | | | | |
| Congresses | \$ 980,035 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 980,035 |
| Membership | | | | |
| Membership fees | 435,932 | - | - | 435,932 |
| Marketing | 25,531 | - | - | 25,531 |
| Professions | | | | |
| Career center | 33,868 | - | - | 33,868 |
| Grant revenue | - | - | - | - |
| Publications | | | | |
| Book sales | 425,624 | - | - | 425,624 |
| Subscriptions | 375,304 | - | - | 375,304 |
| Royalties | 77,979 | - | - | 77,979 |
| Marketing | 106,177 | - | - | 106,177 |
| Other | 2,381 | - | - | 2,381 |
| Development and fundraising | 55,000 | 9,561 | 33,150 | 97,711 |
| Investment income (loss) and change in market value, net (Note 2) | (242,803) | (76,042) | - | (318,845) |
| Rental income (loss), net | (1,534) | - | - | (1,534) |
| Loss on disposal of property and equipment | (13,013) | - | - | (13,013) |
| Total Revenues and Gains | <u>2,260,481</u> | <u>(66,481)</u> | <u>33,150</u> | <u>2,227,150</u> |
| Expenses | | | | |
| Congresses | 1,001,092 | - | - | 1,001,092 |
| Membership | 132,095 | - | - | 132,095 |
| Professions | 261,518 | - | - | 261,518 |
| Publications | 934,881 | - | - | 934,881 |
| Regions | 87,160 | - | - | 87,160 |
| Research and technology | 121,418 | - | - | 121,418 |
| Total Program Expenses | <u>2,538,164</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>2,538,164</u> |
| Development and fundraising | 116,741 | - | - | 116,741 |
| General and administration | 133,442 | - | - | 133,442 |
| Total Expenses | <u>2,788,347</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>2,788,347</u> |
| Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets | (527,866) | (66,481) | 33,150 | (561,197) |
| Net Assets at Beginning of the Year | <u>2,529,803</u> | <u>189,934</u> | <u>250,000</u> | <u>2,969,737</u> |
| Net Assets at End of the Year | <u>\$ 2,001,937</u> | <u>\$ 123,453</u> | <u>\$ 283,150</u> | <u>\$ 2,408,540</u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**SOCIETY OF BIBLICAL LITERATURE
STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010**

| | Publications | Congresses | Membership | Professions | Regions | Research and Technology | Total Programs | Development and Fundraising | General and Admin | Total |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Salaries and wages | \$ 314,017 | \$ 196,581 | \$ 80,795 | \$ 95,253 | \$ 32,035 | \$ 44,353 | \$ 763,034 | \$ 47,762 | \$ 45,885 | \$ 856,681 |
| Employee benefits | 50,394 | 31,032 | 13,975 | 13,325 | 5,617 | 5,734 | 120,077 | 12,071 | 12,794 | 144,942 |
| Payroll taxes | 23,297 | 14,464 | 5,962 | 6,965 | 2,371 | 3,252 | 56,311 | 3,386 | 3,682 | 63,379 |
| | <u>387,708</u> | <u>242,077</u> | <u>100,732</u> | <u>115,543</u> | <u>40,023</u> | <u>53,339</u> | <u>939,422</u> | <u>63,219</u> | <u>62,361</u> | <u>1,065,002</u> |
| Advertising | 9,414 | - | - | - | - | - | 9,414 | - | - | 9,414 |
| Building depreciation | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 57,006 | 57,006 |
| Communication | 33,946 | 47,586 | 8,084 | 14,787 | 4,928 | 11,420 | 120,751 | 6,827 | 4,586 | 132,164 |
| Cost of publications sold | 34,333 | - | - | - | - | - | 34,333 | - | - | 34,333 |
| Depreciation - furniture and equipment | 3,714 | 2,786 | 1,857 | 2,786 | 1,857 | 1,857 | 14,857 | 1,857 | 1,857 | 18,571 |
| Distribution costs | 72,221 | - | - | - | - | - | 72,221 | - | - | 72,221 |
| Donations and discounts | 24,175 | 1,620 | 897 | 2,001 | 17,397 | 1,038 | 47,128 | 1,347 | 787 | 49,262 |
| Equipment and supplies | 8,165 | 135,208 | 2,896 | 4,783 | 2,565 | 4,764 | 158,381 | 2,921 | 2,332 | 163,634 |
| Grants | - | - | - | 1,000 | - | - | 1,000 | - | - | 1,000 |
| Occupancy | 8,124 | 7,060 | 4,211 | 6,464 | 4,211 | 3,904 | 33,974 | 4,202 | 3,904 | 42,080 |
| Other | 17,861 | 37,939 | 14,858 | 1,820 | 1,051 | 955 | 74,484 | 1,738 | 2,082 | 78,304 |
| Printing | 140,173 | 11,588 | - | 424 | - | - | 152,185 | - | - | 152,185 |
| Professional fees | 67,687 | 96,311 | 5,973 | 34,296 | 9,719 | 5,899 | 219,885 | 6,432 | 5,798 | 232,115 |
| Provision for inventory valuation | 16,851 | - | - | - | - | - | 16,851 | - | - | 16,851 |
| Royalties | 37,639 | - | - | - | - | - | 37,639 | - | - | 37,639 |
| Travel and hospitality | 47,645 | 147,304 | 15,244 | 43,157 | 12,203 | 14,677 | 280,230 | 14,549 | 17,998 | 312,777 |
| Total Expenses | <u>\$ 909,656</u> | <u>\$ 729,479</u> | <u>\$ 154,752</u> | <u>\$ 227,061</u> | <u>\$ 93,954</u> | <u>\$ 97,853</u> | <u>\$ 2,212,755</u> | <u>\$ 103,092</u> | <u>\$ 158,711</u> | <u>\$ 2,474,558</u> |

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SOCIETY OF BIBLICAL LITERATURE
STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

| | Publications | Congresses | Membership | Professions | Regions | Research and Technology | Total Programs | Development and Fundraising | General and Admin | Total |
|--|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Salaries and wages | \$ 301,281 | \$ 237,754 | \$ 62,435 | \$ 114,561 | \$ 24,220 | \$ 55,138 | \$ 795,389 | \$ 60,199 | \$ 34,368 | \$ 889,956 |
| Employee benefits | 56,785 | 39,722 | 14,452 | 15,784 | 5,960 | 7,706 | 140,409 | 14,873 | 10,413 | 165,695 |
| Payroll taxes | 21,213 | 16,925 | 4,597 | 8,355 | 1,936 | 4,130 | 57,156 | 4,566 | 2,685 | 64,407 |
| | <u>379,279</u> | <u>294,401</u> | <u>81,484</u> | <u>138,700</u> | <u>32,116</u> | <u>66,974</u> | <u>992,954</u> | <u>79,638</u> | <u>47,466</u> | <u>1,120,058</u> |
| Advertising | 13,840 | 366 | 244 | 366 | 244 | 244 | 15,304 | 2,504 | 244 | 18,052 |
| Building depreciation | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 56,145 | 56,145 |
| Communication | 8,016 | 31,281 | 6,577 | 6,746 | 3,676 | 3,689 | 59,985 | 4,238 | 4,003 | 68,226 |
| Cost of publications sold | 44,971 | - | - | - | - | - | 44,971 | - | - | 44,971 |
| Depreciation - furniture and equipment | 3,056 | 2,292 | 1,528 | 2,292 | 1,528 | 1,528 | 12,224 | 1,528 | 1,528 | 15,280 |
| Distribution costs | 81,455 | - | - | - | - | - | 81,455 | - | - | 81,455 |
| Donations and discounts | 12,234 | 1,362 | 908 | 1,959 | 17,406 | 1,160 | 35,029 | 1,208 | 907 | 37,144 |
| Equipment and supplies | 16,819 | 168,328 | 4,406 | 10,222 | 3,062 | 5,010 | 207,847 | 3,733 | 4,474 | 216,054 |
| Grants | - | 4,475 | - | 3,068 | - | - | 7,543 | - | - | 7,543 |
| Occupancy | 4,896 | 3,672 | 2,448 | 3,672 | 2,448 | 2,448 | 19,584 | 2,448 | 2,448 | 24,480 |
| Other | 19,124 | 44,143 | 12,148 | 1,530 | 925 | 854 | 78,724 | 1,048 | 1,565 | 81,337 |
| Printing | 165,533 | 8,325 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 173,876 | 4 | 4 | 173,884 |
| Professional fees | 85,833 | 138,630 | 12,783 | 35,076 | 10,601 | 29,818 | 312,741 | 9,669 | 6,460 | 328,870 |
| Provision for inventory valuation | 19,472 | - | - | - | - | - | 19,472 | - | - | 19,472 |
| Royalties | 36,713 | - | - | - | - | - | 36,713 | - | - | 36,713 |
| Travel and hospitality | 43,640 | 303,817 | 9,565 | 57,881 | 15,150 | 9,689 | 439,742 | 10,723 | 8,198 | 458,663 |
| Total Expenses | <u>\$ 934,881</u> | <u>\$ 1,001,092</u> | <u>\$ 132,095</u> | <u>\$ 261,518</u> | <u>\$ 87,160</u> | <u>\$ 121,418</u> | <u>\$ 2,538,164</u> | <u>\$ 116,741</u> | <u>\$ 133,442</u> | <u>\$ 2,788,347</u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**SOCIETY OF BIBLICAL LITERATURE
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 AND 2009**

| | <u>2010</u> | <u>2009</u> |
|---|-------------|--------------|
| Cash Flows from Operating Activities: | | |
| Increase (decrease) in net assets | \$ 294,954 | \$ (561,197) |
| Adjustments to reconcile increase (decrease) in net assets to net cash provided (required) by operating activities | | |
| Depreciation | 75,577 | 71,425 |
| Realized gains on marketable securities | (219) | (316) |
| Unrealized (gains) losses on marketable securities | (166,112) | 352,070 |
| Loss on disposal of property and equipment | 7,338 | 13,013 |
| Change in operating assets and liabilities | | |
| Accounts receivable, net | (44,511) | (6,006) |
| Pledges receivable, net | (600) | 7,775 |
| Prepaid expenses and other assets | (512) | 14,061 |
| Book inventories and books in production | (89) | 8,690 |
| Accounts payable | (21,349) | 35,869 |
| Deferred revenue | (34,072) | 21,726 |
| | 110,405 | (42,890) |
| Net Cash Provided (Required) By Operating Activities | | |
| Cash Flows from Investing Activities: | | |
| Acquisition of furniture and equipment | (19,344) | (97,012) |
| Purchases of marketable securities | (260,818) | (256,463) |
| Proceeds from sales of marketable securities | 250,000 | 250,000 |
| | (30,162) | (103,475) |
| Net Cash Required by Investing Activities | | |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents | 80,243 | (146,365) |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents at the Beginning of the Year | 906,455 | 1,052,820 |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents at the End of the Year | \$ 986,698 | \$ 906,455 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**SOCIETY OF BIBLICAL LITERATURE
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2010 AND 2009**

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Nature of Operations

The Society of Biblical Literature (the “Society”) is a not-for-profit organization established to foster biblical scholarship. Membership in the Society is composed of scholars, teachers, and non-specialists throughout the world, with numerous universities, libraries and members subscribing to the journals and monographic series of the Society.

Method of Reporting

The Society’s accounts are maintained, and these financial statements are presented, on the accrual basis of accounting to reflect the results of activities and the financial position in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America (“GAAP”).

Financial Statement Presentation

The Society follows accounting standards set by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”). The FASB sets GAAP. In June 2009, the FASB issued FASB ASC 105, *Generally Accepted Accounting Principles*, which establishes the FASB Accounting Standards Codification as the sole source of authoritative GAAP. Pursuant to the provisions of FASB ASC 105, the Society no longer references to particular standards of GAAP. The adoption of FASB ASC 105 did not impact the Society’s financial position or results of activities.

The Society is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted, temporarily restricted, or permanently restricted net assets based on stipulations made by the donor.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make certain estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of any contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**SOCIETY OF BIBLICAL LITERATURE
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2010 AND 2009**

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Financial Instruments and Concentrations of Credit Risk

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Society to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash on deposit and other short term investments with financial institutions. At times, these balances may be in excess of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (“FDIC”) limits. As a result of liquidity issues experienced in the global credit and capital markets, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in risks in the near term could occur which in turn could further materially affect the amounts reported in the accompanying financial statements.

Credit risk of accounts receivable is generally diversified due to the large number of entities comprising the customer base.

Cash Equivalents

The Society considers all highly liquid investments available on demand at various financial institutions to be cash equivalents.

Marketable Securities

The Society’s investments in equity securities with a readily determinable market value and all investments in debt securities are reported at fair market value with gains and losses included in the statement of activities and changes in net assets.

Fair Values Measured on Recurring Basis

The FASB’s pronouncement on fair value measurement defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and provides for disclosures about fair value measurements. The statement, when adopted by the Society, did not have any impact on the Society’s financial statements.

**SOCIETY OF BIBLICAL LITERATURE
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2010 AND 2009**

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Fair Values Measured on Recurring Basis (Continued)

GAAP establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurement) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs in which little or no market data exists (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described below:

Level 1 - Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities;

Level 2 - Quoted prices in markets that are not considered to be active or financial instruments for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly;

Level 3 - Prices or valuations that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable.

A financial instrument's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The tables below represent fair value measurement hierarchy of the assets at fair value as of:

| | <u>June 30, 2010</u> | | | |
|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | <u>Fair Value</u> | <u>Level 1</u> | <u>Level 2</u> | <u>Level 3</u> |
| Equity securities – | | | | |
| Luce Center | | | | |
| endowment fund | | | | |
| corpus | \$ 250,000 | \$ 250,000 | \$ - | \$ - |
| Luce Center | | | | |
| endowment fund | | | | |
| accumulated | | | | |
| earnings | <u>162,759</u> | <u>162,759</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> |
| | 412,759 | 412,759 | - | - |
| Marketable Securities | <u>803,895</u> | <u>803,895</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> |
| | <u>\$ 1,216,654</u> | <u>\$ 1,216,654</u> | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ -</u> |

**SOCIETY OF BIBLICAL LITERATURE
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2010 AND 2009**

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Fair Values Measured on Recurring Basis (Continued)

| | <u>June 30, 2009</u> | | | |
|--|----------------------|---------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | <u>Fair Value</u> | <u>Level 1</u> | <u>Level 2</u> | <u>Level 3</u> |
| Equity securities – Luce Center endowment fund corpus | \$ 250,000 | \$ 250,000 | \$ - | \$ - |
| Luce Center endowment fund accumulated earnings | <u>108,583</u> | <u>108,583</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> |
| | 358,583 | 358,583 | - | - |
| Marketable Securities | <u>680,924</u> | <u>680,924</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> |
| | <u>\$ 1,039,507</u> | <u>\$ 1,039,507</u> | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ -</u> |

Fair values for investments are determined by reference to quoted market prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable consist of trade accounts receivable and are stated at cost less an allowance for doubtful accounts. Credit is extended to customers after an evaluation of the customer's financial condition and, generally, collateral is not required. Management's determination of the allowance for doubtful accounts is based on an evaluation of the accounts receivable, past experience, current economic conditions and other risks inherent in the accounts receivable portfolio. In the opinion of management of the Society, all of the accounts receivable at June 30, 2010 and 2009 are deemed to be fully collectible.

Inventories

At June 30, 2010 and 2009, book inventories are stated at cost using the first-in, first out ("FIFO") method, less a valuation reserve of \$123,599 and \$116,853, respectively. The valuation reserve reflects the estimated decline in value of certain books since their original publication.

**SOCIETY OF BIBLICAL LITERATURE
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2010 AND 2009**

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Furniture and Equipment

At June 30, 2010 and 2009, furniture and equipment is stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation of \$91,056 and \$82,870, respectively.

Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the related assets, ranging from three to thirty-nine years.

Long-lived assets, held and used by the Society, are reviewed for impairment whenever changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value of an asset may not be recoverable. The Society's policy is to capitalize its capital assets over \$500. Depreciation expense on the Society's furniture and equipment for fiscal years 2010 and 2009 was \$18,571 and \$15,280, respectively. Depreciation expense on Luce Center building and equipment for fiscal years 2010 and 2009 was \$57,006 and \$56,145, respectively.

Endowment Fund

FASB requires the following financial statement disclosure requirements effective for the Society for the years ended June 30, 2010 and 2009.

- Classification of Net Assets

Endowment funds are used to account for investments in which the principal is temporarily or permanently restricted or Board-designated for a specific purpose.

- Interpretation of Relevant Law

The Society has interpreted the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act ("UPMIFA") as requiring the preservation of the fair value of the original gift as of the gift date of the donor-restricted endowment funds absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. As a result of this interpretation, the Society classifies as permanently restricted net assets (a) the original value of gifts donated to the permanent endowment, (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to the permanent endowment, and (c) accumulations to the permanent endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund.

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Endowment Fund (Continued)

The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment fund that is not classified in permanently restricted net assets is classified as temporarily restricted net assets until those amounts are appropriated for expenditure by the Society in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by UPMIFA. In accordance with UPMIFA, the Society considers the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted endowment funds:

- (1) The duration and preservation of the fund.
- (2) The purposes of the Society and the donor-restricted endowment fund.
- (3) General economic conditions.
- (4) The possible effect of inflation and deflation.
- (5) The expected total return from income and the appreciation of investments.
- (6) Other resources of the Society.
- (7) The investment policies of the Society.

- Return Objectives and Risk Parameters

The Society has adopted investment and spending policies for endowment assets that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding to programs supported by its endowment while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets. Endowment assets include those assets of donor-restricted funds that the Society must hold in perpetuity or for a donor-specified period(s). Under this policy, as approved by the Society, the endowment assets are invested in a manner that is intended to produce results that exceed the price and yield results of the S&P 500 index while assuming a moderate level of investment risk. Actual returns in any given year may vary from this amount.

- Strategies Employed for Achieving Objectives

To satisfy its long-term rate-of-return objectives, the Society relies on a total return strategy in which investment returns are achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized) and current yield (interest and dividends). The Society targets a diversified asset allocation that places a greater emphasis on equity-based investments to achieve its long-term return objectives within prudent risk constraints.

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Endowment Fund (Continued)

- Spending Policy

The Luce Center Endowment allows for spending of the accumulated earnings for repairs and maintenance to the Luce Center.

Changes in endowment net assets for years ending June 30, are as follows:

| | <u>Unrestricted</u> | <u>Temporarily Restricted</u> | <u>Permanently Restricted</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|---------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Endowment net assets, June 30, 2008 | \$ - | \$ 185,002 | \$ 250,000 | \$ 435,002 |
| Investment return: | | | | |
| Investment income | - | 6,628 | - | 6,628 |
| Net depreciation | <u>-</u> | <u>(83,047)</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>(83,047)</u> |
| Endowment net assets, June 30, 2009 | - | 108,583 | 250,000 | 358,583 |
| Investment return: | | | | |
| Investment income | - | 10,914 | - | 10,914 |
| Net appreciation | <u>-</u> | <u>43,262</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>43,262</u> |
| Endowment net assets, June 30, 2010 | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ 162,759</u> | <u>\$ 250,000</u> | <u>\$ 412,759</u> |

Deferred Revenue

Deferred revenue represents prepaid rental income, membership fees, and subscriptions paid in advance by the Society's members, as well as the Society's share of registration fees, related to future annual meetings, collected as of the statement of financial position date.

Revenue Recognition

The Society recognizes revenue from the sales of books when they are shipped, net of estimated allowances for product returns.

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Contributions

The Society recognizes unconditional promises to give and contributions received as unrestricted, temporarily restricted, or permanently restricted support, depending on the existence and/or the nature of donor restrictions.

Assets and marketable securities acquired by gift are recorded at their fair market value on the date of receipt. No amounts have been reflected in the financial statements for donated services; however, a substantial number of volunteers have donated significant amounts of their time to the Society's programs and supporting services. If the donated services received either created or enhanced non-financial assets or required specialized skills which would need to be purchased if not donated, the value of those donated services would be recorded.

Income Taxes

Under the Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3), the Society is exempt from income taxes. Accordingly, no provision for federal and state income taxes is required.

The Society annually evaluates all federal and state income tax positions. This process includes an analysis of whether these income tax positions the Society takes meet the definition of an uncertain tax position under the Income Taxes Topic of the Financial Accounting Standards Codification.

Advertising Costs

Advertising costs are expensed as incurred. These costs totaled \$9,414 and \$18,052 in 2010 and 2009, respectively.

Shipping and Handling Costs

Shipping and handling costs are included in cost of publications sold.

Functional Expenses

The costs of providing the various programs and other activities are summarized on a functional basis in the statements of activities and changes in net assets. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the various programs and supporting services benefited.

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Reclassifications

Certain amounts in the 2009 financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the 2010 presentation.

Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through September 10, 2010, the date on which financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTE 2 – MARKETABLE AND EQUITY SECURITIES

The aggregate cost and fair values, as well as unrealized appreciation (depreciation), of marketable securities as of June 30 were:

| | 2010 | | |
|---|-------------------|--|-----------------------|
| | <u>Cost</u> | <u>Unrealized (Depreciation)/ Appreciation</u> | <u>Fair Value</u> |
| Corporate stocks | \$ 211,934 | \$ 89,616 | \$ 301,550 |
| U.S. Treasury securities | 499,808 | 2,537 | 502,345 |
| Total | <u>\$ 711,742</u> | <u>\$ 92,153</u> | <u>\$ 803,895</u> |
| Equity securities – Luce Center endowment fund corpus and accumulated earnings (losses) | <u>\$ 505,633</u> | <u>\$ (92,874)</u> | <u>\$ 412,759</u> |
| | 2009 | | |
| | <u>Cost</u> | <u>Unrealized (Depreciation)/ Appreciation</u> | <u>Fair Value</u> |
| Corporate Stocks | \$ 211,934 | \$ (35,384) | \$ 176,550 |
| U.S. Treasury securities | 499,687 | 4,687 | 504,374 |
| Total | <u>\$ 711,621</u> | <u>\$ (30,697)</u> | <u>\$ 680,924</u> |
| Equity securities – Luce Center endowment fund corpus and accumulated earnings (losses) | <u>\$ 492,785</u> | <u>\$ (134,202)</u> | <u>\$ 358,583</u> |

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NOTE 2 – MARKETABLE AND EQUITY SECURITIES (Continued)

Investment income consists of the following at June 30:

| | <u>2010</u> | <u>2009</u> |
|------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Interest and dividends | \$ 24,798 | \$ 32,909 |
| Realized gains | 219 | 316 |
| Unrealized losses | <u>166,112</u> | <u>(352,070)</u> |
| | <u>\$ 191,129</u> | <u>\$ (318,845)</u> |

NOTE 3 – LUCE CENTER ASSETS

As of June 30, 2001, the Society and the American Academy of Religion (the “Academy”), a related party organization, entered into a joint tenancy in common agreement, which establishes the ownership interests of certain assets and liabilities of the Luce Center. The agreement stipulated that the net book value of the Luce Center building and the Luce Center building endowment fund, including accumulated earnings, be shared equally between the two owners. All net revenues or expenses are also to be shared equally by the two owners. The building is subject to a ground lease with Emory University. This ground lease has a thirty-year term, expiring in March 2027, and there are two ten-year extension options available.

The Society’s net share of the Luce Center are as follows at June 30:

| | <u>2010</u> | <u>2009</u> |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| Luce Center building | \$ 2,057,016 | \$ 2,057,016 |
| Luce Center furniture | <u>24,074</u> | <u>17,268</u> |
| | 2,081,090 | 2,074,284 |
| Less accumulated depreciation | <u>(507,289)</u> | <u>(450,634)</u> |
| | 1,573,801 | 1,623,650 |
| Luce Center endowment fund | | |
| Money market | 4,623 | 4,623 |
| Investments | | |
| Corpus – permanently restricted | 250,000 | 250,000 |
| Accumulated earnings – temporarily restricted | <u>162,759</u> | <u>108,583</u> |
| | <u>412,759</u> | <u>358,583</u> |
| Total Net Share of Luce Center | <u>\$ 1,991,183</u> | <u>\$ 1,986,856</u> |

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NOTE 3 – LUCE CENTER ASSETS (Continued)

During the year ended June 30, 2009, the Society and Academy each mutually agreed to advance \$64,000 to the Luce Center with no specified repayment terms. The purpose of the advance was to fund a capital expenditure totaling approximately \$128,000. During the year ended June 30, 2010, the Luce Center repaid approximately \$8,000 to the Society.

NOTE 4 – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Operating Leases

The Society leases office space mentioned in Note 3 and equipment under non-cancellable operating leases that expire in 2027 and 2014, respectively.

Minimum future rentals under the operating leases for years ending June 30 are as follows:

| | |
|------|-------------------|
| 2011 | \$ 52,631 |
| 2012 | 51,943 |
| 2013 | 51,943 |
| 2014 | 50,957 |
| 2015 | <u>48,000</u> |
| | <u>\$ 255,474</u> |

Total lease expense for 2010 and 2009 was \$48,502 and \$33,432, respectively.

NOTE 5 – EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN

Introductory Full-Time, Regular Full-Time, and Regular Part-Time employees of the Society are eligible to participate in a tax-deferred annuity plan. Under the plan, the Society made contributions equal to 8% (2010) and 10% (2009), of annual salary to the Teacher's Insurance and Annuity Association and/or College Retirement Equities Fund ("TIAA-CREF") defined contribution plan. Employee contributions are voluntary. Total pension expense for fiscal years 2010 and 2009 was \$65,694 and \$80,682, respectively.

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NOTE 6 – TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

At June 30, the components of temporarily restricted net assets were as follows:

| | <u>2010</u> | <u>2009</u> |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Luce Center Maintenance Fund | \$ 167,382 | \$ 113,205 |
| Scholarships and Awards | <u>49,911</u> | <u>10,248</u> |
| | <u><u>\$ 217,293</u></u> | <u><u>\$ 123,453</u></u> |

NOTE 7 – PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

At June 30, the components of permanently restricted net assets were as follows:

| | <u>2010</u> | <u>2009</u> |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Luce Center Endowment Principal | \$ 250,000 | \$ 250,000 |
| Scholarships and Awards | <u>33,695</u> | <u>33,150</u> |
| | <u><u>\$ 283,695</u></u> | <u><u>\$ 283,150</u></u> |