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EDITORIAL NOTE

With this issue, Volume XX, Nos. 1 and 2, we are on the threshold of reestablishing our correct publication schedule. The next Journal, Volume XXI, Fall 1993/Spring 1994, Nos. 1 and 2, will arrive at your address at its proper time—in the Spring of 1994. We know that many subscribers have been puzzled if not annoved by the back-dating of previous issues and the doubling of numbers in order to catch up with where we ought to be. The practice did. however, make it possible for us to maintain a continuous set of journals for each year since the first issue in the Fall of 1973. Now that we are on the verge of catching up with where we ought to be in terms of the date the next IITC should appropriately appear, we want to thank our readers for their patience, for not abandoning ship during stormy days and high seas. We expect to stay the course from here on out and bring you excellent essays in African American religious studies on time, either quarterly or with double volumes twice a year.

Most of the material published in these pages is written by scholars currently teaching in seminaries, colleges, and universities here in the United States or abroad. In response to inquiries we receive each new school year, let it be known that the JITC has no standing policy against publishing articles by seminarians and other graduate students. We give careful consideration to everything we receive from anyone, without regard to race, gender, or class—be she or he a student, lay person, or tenured professor. The quality of scholarship is the primary determinant of whether a work is accepted or rejected for publication.

In that connection some new specifications need to be kept in mind by prospective writers. Normally the JITC can only consider manuscripts of twenty-five pages or less, double-spaced, footnoted, and prepared in conformity with the latest edition of Turabian's Manual For Writers. A careful study of past issues will show that occasional exceptions are made, but they are rare. Book

reviews may be sent directly to the Book Review Editor, Dr. Sandy D. Martin, Dept. of Religion, Peabody Hall, University of Georgia, Athens, GA 30602.

Please, along with a hard copy, submit your MS on a low-density (720K) diskette, 3M DS/DD, in Word Perfect 5.1 or 5.0. We regret being punctilious about it, but are obliged to format and edit in accordance with the capabilities of the machines we have in our office. A self-addressed, stamped envelope is, of course, required if you want your unaccepted manuscript and diskette returned.

We will continue to welcome unsolicted articles and will usually respond within sixty days. Unfortunately, like most scholarly journals, we cannot pay our authors, but will gladly send three copies of the issue containing their work. Thanks for your interest in the past and for your support as we go forward into 1994.

Gayraud S. Wilmore Editor

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