

*Theological College of Northern Nigeria (TCNN) Research Bulletin*

Dr Gunther J. Hermann, Chairman of the Editorial Board, writes:

For almost two years now TCNN has been publishing a research magazine called *TCNN Research Bulletin*. Up to now five issues (each of about forty pages) have been published (two–three issues per year). The aim of the *Bulletin* is to encourage research in Northern Nigeria related to questions of African traditional religion, Islam, Nigerian church history, mission and colonialism, modernization and problems of a social, ethical, political or philosophical nature.

The first editorial principle is that all articles must have a clear relevance to the African or especially Nigerian context. Only present and former students of TCNN, as well as present and former staff members of the college, are eligible to contribute to the *Bulletin*. The second editorial principle is to avoid theological jargon. The *Bulletin* does not aim at being a forum for international scholars, but it is intended to be read and understood by a wider public.

Although the *Bulletin* is not primarily intended for a readership outside West Africa, it has a role in supplementing existing research at the international, academic level by serving as an outlet for the original, local research done by students and graduates of TCNN. Recent issues have included papers on:

Marriage customs among the Tiv  
The Bura myth and Christian parallels  
Death and burial among the Fali people  
Knowing and evangelizing the Verre people  
The relationship between mission and  
colonialism in northern Nigeria

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*Aman: Journal of Society Culture and Environment*

We have received a copy of the first issue of this new journal published by the Centre for Social, Cultural and Environmental Research at the University of Benin. One hundred and twenty pages long, it contains eight papers ranging from studies of the legal significance of women-to-women marriage and the social cost of illegal abortion in Nigeria, through three papers on educational topics to two studies of urban environmental problems. The Editor-in-Chief, Professor F. I. A. Omu, contributes a paper on the world information system in relation to Nigeria.