

KIRCHE IM OSTEN: STUDIEN ZUR OSTEUROPAISCHEN KIRCHENGESCHICHTE UND KIRCHENKUNDE, vols. 18, 19, and 20. Edited by *Robert Stupperich*, in collaboration with *Ostkircheninstitut*. Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 1975–77. Vol. 18: 192 pp. DM 28. Vol. 19: 192 pp. DM 28. Vol. 20: 195 pp. DM 32.

For twenty years, from 1958 until his retirement in 1977, Robert Stupperich edited *Kirche im Osten*, the yearbook of the Ostkircheninstitut of the University of Münster. Under his direction, the annual has emerged as a major journal for the growing number of scholars investigating the history of Christianity in Eastern Europe during the early modern and modern eras. Each issue contains several essays, informative reports on contemporary developments concerning church groups and theology in Eastern Europe, and a few book reviews, while the series as a whole reflects the editor's scholarly interests in the ecumenical movement, the history of Eastern Orthodoxy, and the impact of West European Christianity (especially German Protestantism) upon the churches and cultures of Eastern Europe.

These emphases are exhibited by the contributions to the last three volumes edited by Stupperich. Of the twenty-four essays published, four examine the impact of the Reformation upon East Europeans, six present interpretations of the history of Protestant groups in the region, and most of the remaining articles focus on the history of Orthodoxy. As in the earlier issues of the series, the articles in these three volumes tend to emphasize the broader European context of developments within Eastern Europe and the striking and continuing impact of heterogeneous Christianity upon state and society in the region.

Containing contributions by scholars from both Western and Eastern Europe, as well as by a few from the United States and Canada, Stupperich's annual must be considered an indispensable aid for all those interested in East European or church history. Although the study of the history of religion in Eastern Europe will probably continue to be a difficult enterprise because of the inaccessibility of sources, under Stupperich's direction the yearbook has encouraged such studies and facilitated scholarly exchange by making available representative examples of the best of current research on the history of the various Christian traditions in Eastern Europe. It is to be hoped that the future editor(s) will not only continue the valuable work which Stupperich has begun, but also enhance the utility of the annual by increasing the number of book reviews in each issue and by including a list of recently published books and articles. Because much of the recent research in the field is published in relatively obscure journals, such a list would be a welcome resource.

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NONCONFORMITY AND DISSENT IN THE UKRAINIAN SSR, 1955–1975: AN ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY. Compiled by *George Liber* and *Anna Mostovych*. Harvard Ukrainian Research Institute, Sources and Documents series. Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard Ukrainian Research Institute, 1978. xl, 245 pp. Paper.

The 1,242 annotated items listed in this work detail Soviet persecution of dissent among Ukrainians, Jews, Catholics, Orthodox, Protestants, and others who for any reason have attempted to exercise their civil rights. Almost all the primary sources listed have circulated as *samvydav* literature in the Ukraine and were first published in the West.

The cumulative effect of the articles, letters, manifestoes, protests, prison poems and memoirs, petitions for mercy, and statements of defiance listed in this bibliography is a paean to the brute courage and endurance of men and women who refuse to bow