

FRIENDS OF LUTHERAN ARCHIVES ANNUAL RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

Friends of Lutheran Archives (FoLA) offers a Research Fellowship, to be awarded annually.

It is open to emerging or established researchers, resident in Australia or abroad, and engaged in smaller or larger research projects on any topic utilizing the resources of Lutheran Archives in Bowden, just outside the Adelaide CBD.

Assistance of up to \$ 1,000 towards necessary travel to the Archives and accommodation, or for local researchers amounts up to \$200 for services such as photocopying or digitization, but not for equipment such as cameras or computers.

Requirements of the Fellowship. The duration of the research work undertaken will be determined by the Fellowship holder in consultation with FoLA and Lutheran Archives. The holder will make a presentation based on the research project at a FoLA meeting, or write an article for the FoLA Journal.

Lutheran Archives provides archival services for the Lutheran Church in Australia and New Zealand. While the purpose of Lutheran Archives is the preservation of Church records, its holdings cover a broad range of topics of significance to Australian history. **Collections include resources on:**

- **Church history** – congregations, missions, ministries, departments, auxiliaries, laity and clergy.
- **Settlement and local/regional history** through congregational records and registers which document the settlement of Lutherans in newly opened rural areas, including farming families and associated trades and commerce.
- **Family history** through parish registers of baptisms, confirmations, marriages and burials; cemetery records show evidence of social conditions such as infant/maternal mortality and epidemics.
- **Aboriginal history**, languages and culture in comprehensive and detailed mission records and documentation of missionary linguistic research.
- **Mission history** in Australia, New Zealand, New Guinea, and elsewhere.
- **Education** – Lutheran Church/congregational schools and Sunday schools, secondary colleges, teachers' colleges, seminaries.
- **Migration and refugee history** – 19th century German and Scandinavian migration, post-World War II migration, refugees, ethnic congregations.
- **World War I and II** – The Lutheran Church and its members' experiences during the wars and their aftermath, including internment, school closures, publication bans, active service, chaplaincy records.
- **Church music and liturgy** – hymnody (extensive hymnbook collection), organs, choirs, musicians.
- **Church publications and periodicals** – Dating from 1860 on, these provide a valuable resource.
- **Church architecture** – building plans, photographs, church dedication reports.

Friends of Lutheran Archives supports the activities of Lutheran Archives by fostering an interest in the history of the Lutheran Church through public lectures and publications, including an annual journal. FoLA provides funding to the archives for equipment and for special projects.

APPLICATIONS

An Application Form is available on the Lutheran Archives website.

Forward applications by post or email to **Research Fellowship, C/- Lutheran Archives, 24 Fourth St, Bowden, 5007** or foia@lca.org.au