Christian Invocations in the Papyri: a Supplement

In our article « Christian Invocations in the Papyri » (1) we noted in the introduction that we did not claim to have collected all invocation formulas occurring in Coptic sources, nor most references to Greek inscriptions from Egypt. Though even now we cannot claim to have collected the pertinent data in both fields exhaustively, enough material has been assembled to warrant a short supplement to the list of formulas and their attestations given in that article. The dispersed publications and poor indexing of this material makes its assemblage difficult and completeness elusive. There is indeed a great need of a Coptic Sammelbuch. Such a work would save scholars much trouble, and it is a pleasure to see that such a project has been announced by M. Krause (2). One may hope that this will also take account of the many Coptic inscriptions on stelae etc. As regards Greek inscriptions, attention has been limited to the study of Egypt proper (3), thus excluding the Greek inscriptions from Nubia (4), though these too contain invocation formulas.

⁽¹⁾ See Cd'E 56 (1981), 112-133. We gladly take this opportunity to correct a few errors in this article. P. 120, form. 2B: P. Lond. II 483 comes from the Apollinopolite Heptakomias (information kindly provided by J. Gascou [Paris]), P. Paris 21 comes from the Thinite, SB I 5112 comes from the Apollinopolite Ano; n. 2: read for άγίον, άγίας; n. 3: read for « Cf. n. 13 », « Cf. preceding note ». P. 121: read for « 5112, 5114 », « 5112-5114 ». P. 125: Of the texts listed under formulas 2B, 2D and 2E listed on this page none are in fact 2D. The following are formula 2B: P. Würrb. 19 (Hermopolite; cf. now Anagennesis 1 [1981] 98: 622») and P. Edfu I 4 (Apollinopolite). The remainder are all formula 2E. Ad ST 97, listed on this page, it should be remarked that the editor's restorations are not likely; the restoration at the end of line 1 belongs at the start of line 2. P. 126, form. 2G: BM Or. 6204 should have been listed on p. 123, form. 2G; form 2?: SPP X 169 (cf. for this text p. 130) should have been listed on p. 124, form 2?. For the papyrus dealt with in our appendix, pp. 131-133 (CPR I 30 fr.i = M. Chrest. 290), see the forthcoming new edition of the text in CdE 57 (1982).

⁽²⁾ See M. Krause, Nubia. Récentes recherches. Actes du colloque nubiologique internat. au Musée national de Varsovie, 19-22 juin 1972 (Warszawa 1975), p. 76 n. 8.

⁽³⁾ See E. Bernarnd, ZPE 26 (1977) 95-117.

⁽⁴⁾ Cf. J. Kubinska. FARAS, IV: Inscriptions grecques chrétiennes (Warszawa 1974); M. G. Tibiletti Bruno, Iscrizioni Nubiane (Pavia 1964; = Istituto Lombardo.

In this supplement already known formulas are indicated by the designations used in our preceding article, i.e. without repeating the full formula. Furthermore, a few new formulas from Greek and Coptic sources have been discovered which are given here in full with a designation which follows the order of the earlier designations.

a. Known Invocations:

2G or (less likely) 2F

Babylon? VIII, 14th ind. Ryl 121 (2)

This papyrus also contains a text written in Hermopolis. If the document with the invocation was written in Babylon — as the heading of the contract would suggest — it would present us with an aberration from normal practice in showing a Holy Trinity invocation in use in Lower Egypt after A.D. 610; but cf. $SPP \times 169$ which seems to present also part of a Trinity invocation in a Fayumic papyrus from A.D. 763 (cf. $Cd'E \times 56 \times 1981 \times 139$).

2J Jeme VII/VIII, Pharmuthi 7, Cd'E 41 (1966) 215; in Coptic (Thebes) 2nd ind.

zna ma.		
?	ST 60; in Coptic; omits the Son	
?	ST 107; in Coptic	
?	ST 214 (mostly lost)? In Coptic	
?	ST 340 (partly lost; already lis-	
	ted Cd'E 56 [1981] 126 as for-	
	mula 2?)	
?	ST 405 (2); in Coptic	
?	ST 412; in Coptic; om. the	
	Father	
?	ST 429; in Coptic	
?	Hall pl. LVII no. 5; in Coptic	
? ? ?	Hall pl. LXIX no. 2; in Coptic	
?	Hall pl. LXX no. 1; in Coptic	
?	Hall pl. LXXIII no. 1; in Cop-	
	tic	

Accad. d. Scienze e lettere. Rendiconti, Cl. d. Lett., 97 [1963] 491 ff.); J. F. Oates, JEA 49 (1963) 161-171; J. W. B. Barns, Kush 2 (1954) 26-32 (the inscriptions published by Barns and Oates never entered SB or SEG).

(2J) (Jeme)	?	Hall pl. LXXV no. 1; in Coptic
	?	Hall pl. LXXVI no. 1; in Coptic (1)
	ca. 600	CO 135 (Till, 177, s.n. Philotheos, son of Zebedaios); in
		Coptic
	?	CO 138; in Coptic
	?	CO 140; in Coptic
	?	KOW 107; in Coptic
	?	KOW 188 = ST 225; in Coptic
	?	KOW 219 = ST 295; in Coptic
		(partly lost)
	VII	Ep 92; in Coptic
	?	Christianskij Vostok 1 (1912)
		207 = Kossack, Lehrbuch d.
		Koptischen 340, no. 128; in
		Coptic
Nubia	?	Sb. Akad. Berlin, PhilHist. Kl.
		1913. 8, 54. 1
2L Jeme (Thebes)	?	CO 393; adds an extra etoya & bef. Ngowooycioc

b. New Invocations:

2M Випран ноагіас 'тріа' пеішт инпунре инпепнетиа етоталь интпароенос тиховіс тапеоот етоталь

Provenance? ?

Sphinx 10 (1906) 2 (2)

(1) For Hall, App. no. 17 (p. 145) cf. Hall, App. 14 (p. 142); invocation not necessarily to be restored.

(2) Translation: «In the name of the Holy Trinity, the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost and the Virgin, the Lady who enjoys holy glory ». After we closed the Ms. of this article Dr. L. S. B. MacCoull kindly informed us that she will republish this papyrus in Studi in Onore di Ugo Monneret de Villard (Rome) with a commentary. The papyrus is kept in the Graeco-Roman Museum at Alexandria as inv. no. 647. Dr. MacCoull reads the invocation as follows: † [3] RIPA N THIC A LIAC TRIAL OC' πειωτ καιωρε καπετικέταλ ετογλλ καπαρθεκικό

2N 'Εν ὀνόματι τῆς άγίας ἐν μονάδι τριάδος πατρὸς καὶ νίοῦ καὶ άγίου πνεύματος

Great Oasis ? ASAE 9 (196 (inscription)

ASAE 9 (1908) 183 = Lef. 357.2

Evidently, the reading $\mu ora\delta \varrho ia\varsigma$ is an error for $\dot{e}v \mu ora\delta \dot{v} \tau \varrho i \dot{a} \delta o\varsigma$. This is our formula **2F** lacking the epithets $\zeta \omega o \pi o i \dot{o}\varsigma \times a \dot{v} \dot{o} \mu o o \dot{v} \sigma i o\varsigma$ for the Holy Trinity.

20 'Εν ὀνόματι τοῦ θεοῦ καὶ τοῦ υίοῦ καὶ τοῦ άγίου πνεύματος

Jeme VIII

KOW 103

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Hall pl. XXXI.3 (partly lost, our rest.)

Evidently, this formula is a cross-combination of the Arabic Bismillah

Lastly Ryl 408° should be mentioned. This document reads (as far as preserved):

]ιον και ζωοπαιον σου πναμα^τ/]ινδ θ// της παρουσης ινδικτιωνος]π/ απ $^{\omega}$ χωριο v πουανπδιγεος

(cf. Cd'E 56 [1981] 113 n. 2) and our formula 2J.

]λαμπροτ / †εβαιωδης†

From a photo kindly provided by the John Rylands Library we can testify to the correctness of the editor's readings. The top of the document is not preserved, i.e. there is no upper margin. Nevertheless, our impression is that we are dealing here with the heading of a document starting with an invocation, followed by a (partly lost) date to the month, day and the indiction. If so, we must assume a serious scribal error for an invocation of the type $\dot{\epsilon}v$ $\dot{\delta}v\dot{\delta}\mu\alpha\tau\iota$ $\tau\eta_{\zeta}$ $\dot{\delta}\psi la_{\zeta}$ $\varkappa al$ $\dot{\zeta}\omega\omega\sigma\iota\iota\upsilon\upsilon$ $\varkappa al$ $\dot{\delta}\mu\iota\upsilon\upsilon\upsilon$ $\tau\iota\iota\dot{\delta}\delta\iota$ 0 at $\tau\iota\dot{\delta}\delta\iota$ 0 a

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THOOHO!// TAMEOOY COYAAB, i.e. « In the name of the Holy Trinity, the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, and the Virgin our protector, my (sic) holy mother » and she thinks that the papyrus has a Fayumic provenance.