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Papers of and concerning Dr Olive Wyon, translator and theologian. Dr Wyon had a long held desire to work as a missionary with women in central Africa, and attended the United Free Church Missionary Institute in Edinburgh, later St Colm's College, however ill health meant that she was rejected by the London Missionary Society for a posting. Wyon did work in Europe under the auspices of the Quakers in the run up to the First World War.

Dr Wyon took a radical stance on women, her most explicitly feminist work being *The Dawn Wind: A Picture of Changing Conditions among Women in Africa and the East* (1931). Recognised as one of the world's most able translators, Dr Wyon's reputation centred on her work as translator of contemporary protestant theology.

She later joined the staff of St Colm's Missionary College, Edinburgh, becoming Principal in 1951 at the age of 70.

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1. Six notebooks, containing prayers and other devotional material, 1947-48, 1956 and undated
2. Wyon's notes on Kierkegaard, undated
3. Recollections on Wyon's life and work, mainly by her sister, 1971
4. Galley proof, undated, for 'Olive Wyon, D.D. 1881-1966: a chronicle'