I, Ngayungwon Tollin Thumra, (Pursuing PhD research at the Protestant Theological University) express my gratitude towards *Catharina Halkes* *Fonds* for the grant I received that supported me in conducting electronic databases to identify relevant literatures for my research entitled, “*Spiritual care for female survivors of sex trafficking: a practical-theological study”.* A scientific systematic electronic search was conducted in EBSCOhost which included **CINAHL (**nursing literature**), PsycINFO (**psychology / psychiatry**) Atla Religion Database (**theology / religious studies**),** **Psychology and Behavioral Sciences Collection,  APA PsycArticles. A Boolean/phrase search was carried out and the finalised search term used are as follows:**

**S1 TI ( "modern slave\*" or prostitution\* or "sex traffic\*" or "human traffic\*" or “sex work\*” or "sexual violen\*" or "sexually violen\*" or "sexual abuse\*" or "sexually abusive\*" or “sexual trauma\*” ) OR AB ( "modern slave\*" or prostitution\* or "sex traffic\*" or "human traffic\*" or “sex work\*” or "sexual violen\*" or "sexually violen\*" or "sexual abuse\*" or "sexually abusive\*" or “sexual trauma\*” )**

* **Results: 58,904**

**S2 TI ( spiritual\* or faith\* or relig\* or pastor\* or chaplain\* ) OR AB ( spiritual\* or faith\* or relig\* or pastor\* or chaplain\* )**

* **Results: 526,176**

**(S1 AND S3) = S4 (1,786 results)**

**A total of 1,786 literatures were filtered comprising of books, academic journals, dissertations, reviews and magazines. It was further condensed to 1,485 by limiting the publishing year from 2000-2022 and the finalised number of literatures is 1,290 after extracting duplicated literatures. The findings have been extracted and imported in my Zotero library collection.** I am currently screening the final references for inclusion. In addition, I have been able to identify and collect 120 relevant **literatures for my research using key words such as “sex trafficking”, “human trafficking”, “spiritual care”, “positive psychology” and feminist/womanist literatures on trauma and theology. Search was conducted using ProQuest, Google Scholar and university catalogues such as SmartCat, World Cat. The search is limited to sources published from 2000-2022. This was helpful to ensure that relevant sources from other search catalogues/engines are not missed out.**

The process of learning how to *systematically* search electronic databases and screen 1,786 on title and abstract has cost more time than expected because I have never had extensive training in systematically searching databases like these. I will start with analyzing the results of the included articles soon, since the PThU has decided to offer me a job for one year 0.5 fte to continue my PhD. Again, thank you very much for supporting me and my study.