

Christian Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses



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TO SELECTED BODIES OF ELDERS IN THE UNITED STATES BRANCH TERRITORY

Re: Arrangements for Electronic Donations to Local Congregations

Dear Brothers:

In recent years, an increasing number of publishers contributed using credit cards at regional conventions, at Assembly Halls, and on the jw.org website. Many publishers and bodies of elders have asked if there could be a provision to make electronic donations to local congregations.

If your body of elders would like to accept electronic donations into your congregation bank account, there is now an arrangement for this using the website **khdonate.net**, which was developed and will be managed independently by a vendor. Using this website, publishers may make electronic donations to their local congregation using a smartphone, tablet, or computer. The electronic donations, less credit card fees, will be deposited directly into the congregation bank account.

If your body of elders determines that accepting electronic donations would be beneficial to the publishers and decides to use this arrangement, then please follow the attached instructions to contact and register with the vendor. The attached letter to selected congregations should be read to your congregation *after* you register with the vendor. Congregations will be notified incrementally of this arrangement, allowing the vendor sufficient time to assist congregations in registering for the service.

During the past year, this arrangement was tested among several congregations in the branch territory. One brother stated, "I am grateful for this provision, which makes my local donations so convenient." Another brother noted, "Being able to donate in this way helps me so I do not forget."

The only website designated to receive electronic donations to *local congregations* is **khdonate.net**. Of course, electronic donations to the *worldwide work* can continue to be made via the **jw.org** website.

We pray Jehovah's rich blessing on all of your hard work and loyal service as we work "shoulder to shoulder" in support of Kingdom interests.—Zeph. 3:9.

Your brothers,

*Christian Congregation
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Attachments (7)

c: Selected circuit overseers

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