

Christian Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses



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TO ALL BODIES OF ELDERS

Re: Provision for Publishers to View Recordings of Assembly and Convention Programs Online

Dear Brothers:

This letter replaces the October 22, 2015, letter to all bodies of elders regarding the use of JW Stream and has been added to the list of policy letters cited in *Index to Letters for Bodies of Elders* (S-22). Many of our brothers and sisters have circumstances that limit their ability to attend an assembly or convention. For such ones, video recordings of the current circuit assembly and convention programs in many languages are made available on JW Stream (<http://stream.jw.org>).—See *Index to Letters for Bodies of Elders* for direction on the use of JW Stream by foreign-language congregations, groups, and pregroups and for direction on the use of congregation meeting conferencing systems.

Access by Elders and Ministerial Servants: JW Stream is accessible to all elders and ministerial servants who have a jw.org account. *Access to Programs on JW Stream by Elders and Ministerial Servants* (S-142) provides instructions on how to view and download JW Stream recordings. The document is available on jw.org to those who have been granted the “View Forms—General” role. Please inform all ministerial servants who have a jw.org account that JW Stream recordings should not be distributed to publishers without the approval of the elders.

Access by Publishers: The “Help” section on JW Stream explains how to send an e-mail invitation to a publisher allowing him to watch a specific program online or download it. *Access to Programs on JW Stream by E-mail Invitation* (S-143) provides instructions on how to view and download JW Stream recordings upon receiving an e-mail invitation. The document is available on jw.org to those who have been granted the “View Forms—General” role and may be given to publishers as needed. A publisher who is invited to access a program on JW Stream should be instructed not to share the program with anyone else. Additionally, the publisher should not view the program until his congregation attends the event.

Please do not announce this provision to the congregation. Use discretion in determining who may benefit from these recorded programs. All should attend theocratic events in person whenever possible. (Heb. 10:24, 25) Copies of programs on JW Stream should not be made available for general distribution.

Be assured of our warm Christian love and greetings.

Your brothers,

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c: Circuit overseers

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