



Christian Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses

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TO ALL CONGREGATIONS

Dear Brothers:

During the 2017 service year, hundreds of individuals volunteered to serve in territories seldom worked as well as those that are unassigned. Many fine spiritual results have been reaped due to Jehovah's blessing on the hard work of these volunteers.—1Cor 3:6-9.

In the coming year of 2018, there is a lot of exciting work to be done in these seldom-worked and unassigned areas. There is still a great need for volunteers in the Northern, Upper, Brong-Ahafo and Volta regions. Our records also indicate that there are many settlements of Dangme, Ewe, and Ga speakers in the Eastern, Central and Western regions that need to be reached. In addition, even some areas not too far from major urban areas could use some support. The most important thing here is to make ourselves available, and Jehovah will find us something fulfilling to do. Despite the growth we have experienced recently, the fields are still white for harvesting!—John 4:35.

This service year, if a group applies during the Memorial season and the group includes an elder or a qualified ministerial servant, they may be asked to assist in organizing remote Memorial celebrations in isolated territories. They will use prerecorded Memorial and special talks provided by the branch office that will be made available in several languages.

You are encouraged to prayerfully consider if your circumstances will allow you to request an assignment for a minimum of one week. A group requesting an assignment should be between 2 and 20 persons and **should not** consist only of single brothers and sisters (a married person applying without his mate is considered single). Please talk to your congregation elders about an application form. If someone in your group is not from your congregation, the group captain should be sure that the individual's body of elders also sends in an approved application for the person.

Those applying should be able to care for all their financial needs for food, transportation and accommodation, but there will be no objection if some whose circumstances will not allow them to apply may be willing to support those applying in one way or another.

We look forward to receiving applications for this exiting feature of our work throughout the 2018 service year.

Please accept our warm Christian love and best wishes.

Yours brothers,

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c: Circuit overseers

P.S. to Body of Elders: Please arrange for this letter to be read to the congregation at the first midweek meeting after its receipt. Thereafter, it should be posted on the information board. **However, this postscript should neither be read to the congregation nor be posted on the information board.**

We ask the elders, especially the service committee as they approve applications, to review the letters to bodies of elders dated August 1, and 2, 2013, for direction on handling such applications. As much as possible, please send the applications to the branch office via jw.org instead of sending in hard copies.