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TO ALL BODIES OF ELDERS

Re: Lists of foreign-language congregations, groups and pregroups

Dear Brothers:

Until now lists of the foreign-speaking congregations, groups and pregroups (and regional languages other than Spanish) found in our branch territory have been periodically posted on jw.org. Since our website now has a tool the publishers can use to easily locate these entities in different languages, we are letting you know you that these lists will no longer be supplied.

Although publishers in general cannot log in to the private section of jw.org to carry out these searches, they can do so using the “About Us” tab that appears on the site. In this way they can help interested people to attend meetings, assemblies and conventions that are held in the language they understand best or prefer. We feel sure that this tool will be very useful in cultivating the interest of those who do not speak the language of the congregation. In this regard, it would be helpful to keep in mind what the November 2018 *Life and Ministry Meeting Workbook* stated: “People often respond more readily to the Kingdom message when they hear it spoken in their native language. (Ac 2:5, 8)” This highlights the importance of all publishers cooperating in covering territories where various languages are spoken. As for the elders, they will encourage the publishers to keep in mind a reminder from the reference mentioned above: “Are you conducting a Bible study with someone whose preferred language is not the language of your congregation? The student would likely progress faster if you transferred the study to a nearby congregation or group that speaks his language”.—*mwb18* November p. 8.

We take this opportunity to thank you for your constant invaluable support, also praying that interested ones will continue learning “about the magnificent things of God” in the language they best understand.—Acts 2:11.

We send you our warm Christian love and best wishes.

Your brothers,

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c: Circuit overseers