

Announcements and Reminders

April 2024

FOR CONGREGATIONS

1. **Worldwide Campaign in September 2024:** Many positive experiences were reported from around the world after the special campaign in September 2022, which focused on starting Bible studies. In September 2024, there will be another worldwide campaign to offer Bible studies to as many people as possible using the *Enjoy Life Forever!* brochure. Publishers who decide to serve as auxiliary pioneers during September 2024 will have the option of choosing the 15-hour or 30-hour requirement. More information about the campaign will be provided during a midweek meeting in August.

2. Since the house-to-house work is a primary way to start Bible studies, please endeavor to share regularly in this form of the ministry. (Matt. 10:11-13; Acts 20:20) Engaging in the house-to-house work at times when people are more likely to be at home provides more opportunities to have conversations that lead to Bible studies. Offer Bible studies using the direct approach whenever appropriate. In addition, many of our brothers and sisters have started studies by witnessing informally to relatives, neighbors, coworkers, shopkeepers, and so forth.

3. **Research Guide for Jehovah's Witnesses—2019 Edition:** The *Research Guide for Jehovah's Witnesses—2019 Edition* has been updated. The “Scriptures Explained” section now contains references from 1986-2024. The “Subjects” section has not been changed. Users can download the latest version in *JW Library* or access it on *Watchtower ONLINE LIBRARY*. No printed copies will be produced.

4. **“Sing Out Joyfully” to Jehovah:** We are pleased to inform you that digital editions of “*Sing Out Joyfully*” to Jehovah will be updated to include select original songs, such as those used to conclude conventions. The additional songs will be used at congregation meetings and other theocratic events. There are no plans to include the additional songs in printed editions of the songbook.

5. **New Original Song for the 2024 Convention:** A new original song entitled “Good News!” has been prepared for the 2024 convention. The song and lyrics will be available on jw.org on April 15, 2024. The Governing Body encourages everyone to practice singing the new song prior to attending the convention program so that all can sing out unitedly, with feeling and confidence.