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TO ALL BODIES OF ELDERS

Dear Brothers:

The Governing Body for some time has been considering the subjects of funeral and child-naming customs in Ghana. They have now provided Scriptural direction on these issues, which we have received from the Ghana branch. The subject of funeral customs has been incorporated in four inserts of *Our Kingdom Ministry*. A letter dated May 1, 2008, sent to all bodies of elders in Ghana also provides further direction on how elders can assist publishers uphold the Scriptural view of funerals. Regarding the subject of child-naming ceremonies, a letter dated July 7, 2008, and also sent to all bodies of elders in Ghana, provides direction for the elders on this matter.

We are aware that some congregations in Britain have publishers from Ghana associating with them. As these brothers and sisters would benefit greatly from the direction provided on funeral customs we are writing to inform you that these four inserts of *Our Kingdom Ministry* are available to publishers in either English or Twi and can be obtained on request.

We will automatically send this information to congregations who have existing orders for the Twi edition of *Our Kingdom Ministry*. However, if you have publishers associating with your congregation who originate from Ghana you may request this information. You can do this by writing to the Multi-Language Desk. Please indicate whether you want the inserts in English or Twi and tell us how many copies you require. In that event, we will also provide you with copies of the above-mentioned letters to be kept permanently in your congregation file for reference.

The Governing Body feels by making this material accessible it will have a uniting effect in the brotherhood. This way, as these brothers and sisters visit Ghana and interact with the local brothers from time to time, all will be in tune with theocratic direction.

We sincerely hope this information proves to be of some assistance to you and take this opportunity of sending you an expression of our warm Christian love and best wishes.

Your brothers,

Watch Tower B. & J. Society
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c: All travelling overseers

PS to the secretary: This letter should be retained in the congregation's permanent file of policy letters.