

Christian Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses



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TO ALL CONGREGATIONS

Re: Simplified editions of *The Watchtower*

Dear Brothers:

The simplified English edition of the study edition of *The Watchtower* has met with great success. The one-year trial period has concluded, and you will be happy to know that the Governing Body has approved continued production of this edition of *The Watchtower*.

In addition, we are pleased to inform you that beginning with the issue of January 15, 2013, simplified French, Portuguese, and Spanish editions of *The Watchtower* will be produced for use during the *Watchtower* Study in those languages. These will be distributed about the same time as the regular study edition of *The Watchtower* in the respective languages. The simplified editions will be ideal for Bible students who need simpler, more direct language to understand spiritual matters. Also, young people will no doubt benefit from these, especially those attending congregation meetings in a language that is not their mother tongue. All those who wish to make use of this provision should place their standing request with the magazine servant as soon as possible. Thereafter, be sure to inform the magazine servant if there is a change in your circumstances or needs. These new editions will also be available in the public area of the jw.org Web site.

No doubt these simplified editions in additional languages will help even more people to gain a better understanding of the rich spiritual food found in *The Watchtower* and to grow in their relationship with Jehovah.

We send our warm Christian love and best wishes.

Your brothers,
*Christian Congregation
of Jehovah's Witnesses*

cc: Traveling overseers

PS to coordinator of the body of elders:

At the next Service Meeting, please arrange for this letter to be read to the congregation. Thereafter, it may be posted on the information board.