

Christian Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses



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TO ALL CONGREGATIONS

Re: *Watchtower ONLINE LIBRARY*

Dear Brothers:

We are pleased to inform you of a new provision being made available that offers you research capabilities similar to *Watchtower Library*. It is called *Watchtower ONLINE LIBRARY*. You can use it with most devices that allow access to the Internet, such as a desktop or laptop computer, a tablet, or a smartphone. The address for this application is wol.jw.org. We expect a link to *Watchtower ONLINE LIBRARY* to be included on our official Web site, www.jw.org, on or about September 1, 2012.

Watchtower ONLINE LIBRARY will contain many publications that are distributed to the public. The library data will be from the year 2000 forward, but in many languages it will also include the *New World Translation* and *Insight on the Scriptures*. It should be noted that in a relatively few places, the electronic text may contain grammatical or technical adjustments from what appears in print. The Publications Index in the application will point you to and allow you to open publications dated from the year 2000 onward. The current plan is to add more recent publications at six-month intervals.

You will be able to go directly to any of the included publications or use the Search feature to search for a word, a phrase, or a combination of words, as can be done with *Watchtower Library* on CD-ROM. Other features of *Watchtower ONLINE LIBRARY* will be *Examining the Scriptures Daily* and the Theocratic Ministry School Schedule.

Initially, *Watchtower ONLINE LIBRARY* will contain publications in English and Russian. Other languages will be added later. You will be able to synchronize languages. For example, you might do a search in English publications and find an article in *The Watchtower*. You could then use synchronization to display that article in Russian. Or someone might do a search in Russian and then synchronize it with English. The same will be possible with other languages that are added. You will likely find this synchronization feature invaluable when witnessing to someone whose mother tongue is different from yours. You could look up scriptures or information in your language, synchronize your search with his language, and then let him read it in his mother tongue.

While *Watchtower Library* on CD-ROM contains a greater range of publications, we are confident that you will find *Watchtower ONLINE LIBRARY* very useful. It will fill a real need, as it will be accessible on many types of devices and will provide you with a good range of publications for personal study and for use in the ministry. You may want to set the address to it as a Favorite on your computer or mobile device.

Your brothers,
*Christian Congregation
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cc: Traveling overseers

PS to coordinator of the body of elders:

Please arrange for this letter to be read to the congregation at the first Service Meeting after it is received. Thereafter, it should be posted on the information board.

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