

Christian Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses



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TO SELECTED CONGREGATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES BRANCH TERRITORY

Re: 2013 special conventions

Dear Brothers:

This is to inform you that several special conventions are being planned for the 2013 convention season in various parts of the world. Only congregations in selected states will be invited to apply. While your state has not been selected, we look forward to rotating this privilege to your state in the future.

Arrangements for these special conventions are quite similar to last year. Delegations will be limited in number. It is for this reason we are only able to invite specific states to apply each year. In addition, the selected delegates will not be required to use a specific travel agency, as has been the case in the past. The emphasis will be for the delegates to benefit, not only from the spiritual association during the three-day convention, but also to spend two or three additional days with the local brothers before or after the convention so “that there may be an interchange of encouragement among you, by each one through the other’s faith.”—Rom. 1:12.

Only applicants who are actually selected as delegates are to make plans to attend one of these special conventions. Persons not invited by the United States branch office should not attend any of these special conventions. Problems arise and matters get complicated for the organization when individuals who are not invited make arrangements in connection with these events.

We look forward to extending an invitation to congregations in your state at a future time. Please be assured of our warm Christian love and best wishes.

Your brothers,

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cc: Traveling overseers

PS to coordinator of the body of elders:

Please have this letter read to the congregation during your next Service Meeting and after your next *Watchtower* Study. Thereafter, a copy of this letter should be posted on the information board.