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TO ALL BODIES OF ELDERS AND CIRCUIT OVERSEERS

Re: School for Kingdom Evangelizers

Dear Brothers:

We are writing this as a follow-up to the letter dated November 6, 2013, to all congregations regarding the new School for Kingdom Evangelizers (SKE). We would like to provide you with further details concerning the school.

As outlined in the above-mentioned letter, those invited to the SKE will include married couples, single brothers, and single sisters. Additionally, the maximum age to apply for this school is 65, with the stipulation that those between the ages of 50 and 65 must be self-supporting and in no need of financial or medical assistance from the organization.

The *Application to Attend the School for Kingdom Evangelizers* (G-8), the letter to the applicants (G-14), and the letter to those applying for theocratic schools, Bethel service, or other forms of special full-time service (A-63) may be downloaded from jw.org by an elder and given to those interested in the school. (Husbands and wives should complete separate applications.) After the applicant completes the application, he should return it to the secretary. The Congregation Service Committee will carefully review the application and will answer the questions in the section provided for them. If an applicant has mental, emotional, or physical limitations or deficiencies or has had a problem with maintaining moral integrity, such as becoming involved with pornography within the past two years, the secretary should not forward the application to the circuit overseer. Two elders should kindly explain to the applicant why his application is being withheld. If the applicant meets the minimum requirements outlined in the G-14 letter and the service committee is convinced that he has clear potential and the circumstances and abilities to put the advanced training to good use, the secretary should *promptly* forward the application to the circuit overseer.

Before a completed application is forwarded to the branch office, the circuit overseer will wait until his next congregation visit to work with and observe the applicant. (If the circuit overseer is new to the circuit, he may contact the previous circuit overseer for his comments also.) Thereafter, the circuit overseer will meet with the service committee and review their comments on the applicant's qualifications.

As indicated on the *Application to Attend the School for Kingdom Evangelizers*, those whom you recommend to attend the SKE should *only* be those who are effective and hardworking regular pioneers and those in special full-time service, such as Bethel family members, special pioneers, and field missionaries. You should be *convinced* that the applicant has the circumstances and abilities to put the advanced training to good use in an assignment *determined by the branch office*. If an applicant only meets the minimal requirements, his application would not necessarily be forwarded to the branch office. The applicant may need more time to gain the experience and maturity that are necessary to take up an assignment. In such a case, the circuit overseer will instruct the service committee to provide the applicant with honest, kind, and positive counsel on areas the applicant

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can improve and encourage him to work on these areas and reapply in the future. However, if the applicant is qualified, the circuit overseer will submit the application to the branch office. If possible, the application and attached photograph should be sent to the branch office using the jw.org Inbox feature.

It is evident that Jehovah is indeed speeding up the preaching and teaching work, the most important work being done on earth! To meet the challenge of these urgent times, continue 'begging the Master of the harvest' for more workers.—Matt. 9:35-38.

We send our warm Christian love.

Your brothers,

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PS to secretary:

This letter should be retained in the congregation permanent file of policy letters. You may wish to update the congregation copy of *Index to Letters for Bodies of Elders* (S-22) at this time as well.