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Dear Friends:

We are writing this letter to provide you some information about the upcoming World Convention. As you know the 37th World Convention is scheduled for August 30 to September 2, 2018, in Orlando, Florida. As a result of changes to the Support Committee policy and the reality of how the event is actually implemented the role of the Support Committee has changed drastically over the years. The Support Committee is now a workgroup of the World Board.

The WCNA-37 Workgroup has one principal responsibility. That is to solicit and coordinate the approximately 1,500 volunteers that are needed for the event. Additionally as part of this responsibility this workgroup will be asked to create a local hospitality function. As we get closer to the event a portion of this workgroup will focus on local hospitality by gathering information about local attractions, restaurants, meetings, etc. Members interested in the WCNA 37 workgroup role should submit their contact information and some information about their experience to worldboard@na.org. If there is additional information provided by the region, that is very helpful but not a requirement. This information should be sent before 1 January 2017.

Interested members are being solicited from the surrounding regions to the event. We hope to create a workgroup that is comprised of members from both the local region and the surrounding regions. We cannot do that without your help. We will send more information about the forming of the workgroup as we get closer to the event. We do not expect to form the committee until sometime in 2017. This will reduce the frustration that has been our previous experience with this function in the past by creating a more focused timeframe for the support function.

It is important to repeat that there will be will be many opportunities for members to volunteer at WCNA-37 beyond the workgroup. This volunteer coordination process will begin after the workgroup is formed. As soon as the details are finalized we will forward that information.

We are excited about returning to Florida with a World Convention. We would really appreciate your ideas about possible themes for the event. We have enclosed a copy of past locations and themes as a resource.

In fellowship, Anthony Edmondson Executive Director