

Publishing Committee Monthly Report July 2021

Purpose:

To create a WSO Publishing Committee that will centralize and direct all publishing activities, and ensure efficient, affordable delivery of literature to the entire world fellowship, with consistent business practices and oversight.

Committee Members:

Chair: Sue V. Members: Charlie H, Justine F, Fredrik H, Sharon F, Bill D, Nick, Lucia, John Z. Markus, Christine, Karen, Marion, Sunil, Martha

Publishing Committee Meets: Fridays, 9:30 am EDT, 6:30 am PDT, 3:30 pm CET and SAST, 7:00 pm India

<https://acawso.org/category/publishing-committee/>

Activities & Accomplishments:

1. We extensively researched the options for printing and distributing in the UK and in Europe for the English LPG (The Loving Parent Guidebook). We were challenged by additional factors to ensure we were compliant legally with the VAT tax requirements and ensuring our European fellowships were being taken care of in terms of potential impacts from importing.

Our Publishing Committee demonstrated knowledge based decision making and true collaboration. The team was committed to ensuring all voices were heard and a beautiful balance of business and fellowship needs being met. Thank you everyone.

2. We are excited to be working with the South African Intergroup in launching a regional printer based in South Africa. The Intergroup has already started to receive orders from many countries in this region. We are also reviewing a proposal to subsidize the first runs.

There is still a need for funds in the International Literature Scholarship fund. The South African Intergroup is looking to be subsidized for the first print run of each publication otherwise they may have to wait years before being able to save enough money to pay the printer. **If this calls your heart**, you can help bring ACA literature to our ACA South Africa fellowship and the other countries by donating to:

<https://adultchildren.org/7th-tradition/>

Where can we designate your contribution?

General

International Literature Scholarship Fund

This fund provides funds to provide books to countries where literature is not affordable.

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WSO has over \$1200 in the International Literature Scholarship fund and South Africa needs \$4,000 to start printing all the ACA publications, they are especially interested in the LPG (The Loving Parent Guidebook), otherwise they may not be able to purchase this new literature this year. That would be very sad. After this donation the South Africa ACA Fellowship will be self supporting and able to pay for future print runs with their sales proceeds. They would appreciate the board and the fellowship's support.

3. We are working on the international formatting of our English publications for the International printers for the The Loving Parent Guidebook (LPG), Big Red Book (BRB), Yellow 12 Step Workbook (YWB) and all our publications.
4. We are working on digital publications for our ACA literature. The Loving Parent Guidebook will be launched on Kindle at the same time as the print copies are being sold. We have started to assess the requirements to digitize the Yellow 12 Step Workbook (YWB) and other English and Translated publications. We are working with the Japanese Translations team to launch their Japanese BRB and YWB on Kindle. Stay tuned.
5. We are working with the Italian and Greek Translation groups to publish the Italian BRB and YWB and the Greek SMR (Strengthening My Recovery). We have 7 additional Translated Publications scheduled for the remainder of 2021. Exciting!! We thank the translation teams for making this possible!!
6. We thank the translation teams that have been waiting extremely patiently for their translated free literature to be loaded on the Adult Children website. We are working on a solution and will have more to report next month.
7. We are working with the literature committee to review our literature development and publishing activities to serve the fellowships and our business operations better in the future. More to follow.
8. We are working with our office staff in Signal Hill in the States to manage our Amazon UK and European marketplaces. We are planning to open up in Asia and are working with Amazon to make that happen.

Call for Service: We are in need of volunteers around the world for both English and Translated languages with experience in Adobe Indesign. We are also in need of international legal and accounting resources to support us with our international growth. We would love to hear from our members!

Questions & Offers to Provide Service: Please Contact: John Z, at publishingmgr@acawso.org

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