

Global Members Committee



Monthly Report - January 2022

Chair: Sue V (Canada)

Regional Coordinators: Annie S (Oceania/Antarctica), KarenT (Interim- Southern Africa), Sean H (East Asia), Shangreila (South Asia), Vacant (West Asia/North Africa, Mexico/Central America, South America)

Secretary: KarenT (South Africa)

Member Countries: Australia, Bangladesh, Brazil, China, Demographic Republic of Congo, India, Israel, Japan, Kenya, Mexico, New Zealand, Singapore, South Africa, South Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, UAE, Vietnam

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE (As amended September 1st, 2021)

The Global Members Committee provides support to ACA groups outside of the United States, Canada and Europe, partnering with them to assist their efforts to become self-supporting (Tradition 7) as they grow.

We operate on the principle of attraction not promotion so we respond to requests for support. We listen, seeking to understand what these groups are looking for, and attempt to meet their expressed need as best as we can from our pool of resources, facilitating universal inclusiveness, accessibility and affordability of literature and ACA recovery resources (Tradition 5, carrying the ACA message). We honour Tradition 4 (autonomy) for all groups.

Partner within WSO ACA and our Fellowships around the world to unify our ACA recovery resources.

GOALS

- 1 Increased accessibility and affordability processes for literature publishing and distribution for emerging countries.
- 2 Increased accessibility and inclusiveness to ACA recovery resources through meeting support, studies, service committees, workshops etc.
- 3 Supporting translations and equitable access to the WSO ACA Fellowship and organization.
- 4 Partner with Europe and North America in unifying our WSO ACA resources for our world-wide Fellowship.

MEETINGS OF THE GLOBAL MEMBERS COMMITTEE

- Global Members (Central & West) Committee - 3rd Wednesday monthly @ 10am EST (4pm CET, 5pm SAST, 8:30pm India, 11pm Far East, 2am Australia & 4am NZ)
- Global Members (East) Committee - 3rd Saturday monthly @ 9pm EST (Sunday - 3am CET, 4am SAST, 7:30am India, 10am Far East, 1pm Australia & 3pm NZ)

COUNTRY AND REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Updates:

East Asia [Sean H]

We're in the process of registering the East Asia Intergroup and obtaining Intergroup Reps from Taiwan, Thailand, Singapore, China, Japan and enquiring whether Vietnam and South Korea would like to join. We're also raising awareness of the 2022 ABC and AWC.

South Asia [Shangreila]

India

1. A new LPG meeting commenced in January working out well with good attendance
 2. Request for delegates from 5 groups and 1 intergroup has gone out to grp secretaries
 3. Raising awareness of ABC and AWC, some interest generated
 4. Two young members celebrated a year and two years resp. Great going to show how the program works
 5. Our step study closed meeting is now in its 9th session. The group strength is stable (12-15) so far as we go into step 3 now
 6. Inviting ideas and suggestions for next activity (end May onwards), perhaps speaker Saturdays alternating with a topic workshop, boundaries, RSG etc. Ideas welcome
 7. Trying to put together a presentation/workshop for AWC but limited participation
- Thank you all. If it were not for this support, we could not have come so far in this speed spurt.

Southern Africa [KarenT]

KarenT has stepped in as Interim Regional Coordinator.

South Africa

We are working on raising awareness of the 2022 ABC and AWC; voting on ballot proposals, registering and training delegates, registering attendees. We are encouraged as our groups all seem to be stable and running effectively. We are looking forward to going to print with the 12 Steps Workbook in the next few weeks.

Oceania/Antarctica [Annie S]

Australia, Sydney [George]

We have deposited AUD\$ 1,000 to the International Literature Scholarship Fund

Regional Development:

Global Members have created Regional Service coordinators and committees serving many countries in a geographic area. We started with the Far East with Taiwan, Vietnam, China, Japan and Singapore and more countries are joining. We have also added Regional Service Coordinators and Committees in Africa, Middle East, South Asia and Oceania. This will increase support and fellowship for countries requesting support in a regional area.

We are looking for volunteers

West Asia/North Africa, Mexico/Central America & South America

New Countries:

Any country that is active but is not receiving global support or a member who would like support in starting a meeting in their country please contact us on globalmembers@adultchildren.org or on Slack.

VOLUNTEERS SUPPORTING 149 COUNTRIES

Volunteers are the lifeblood of our organization. We cannot successfully carry the message without our volunteers who work tirelessly at many various levels. Our team of volunteers currently stands at almost 70 members but we could always do with more.

2022 ABC & AWC Coordinator [Alaska] Updated the Ballot Proposal Poll Google form with the 2022 proposals & created a forced copy link. Shared with Karen for Global members to use. Also created brief instructions.

Attended all ABC & AWC committee meetings including Host committee to advocate for worldwide inclusion/participation at 2022 ABC. The WSO is actively researching & testing online voting methods, and considering session times that will work for the worldwide fellowship.

ABC delegate engagement, and sharing experience of voting & ballot proposal process. AWC workshop development.

IT Tech Coordinator [JoeH] We have completed a feasibility study regarding the use of automated, real-time translation of closed captioning for selected Global Members meetings. The most useful products for high priority languages are not feasible because of costs. Recommendation: Wait for 6-12 months for affordable, highly featured, software tools.

Our current volunteer needs are as follows:

Language needs - [Arabic](#), [Farsi](#)

If you are living or have lived outside Canada, Europe and the USA or if you feel called to global service, please consider joining us in carrying the message of ACA healing around the world.

Please email us at: globalmembers@adultchildren.org or join one of our global Slack channels.

**“W” in WSO is for “WE the ACA WORLD”
Together We are Stronger**