

Publishing Committee Monthly Report Sept, Oct, Nov 2023

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: Bill D. (General Manager), Marion M. (Publishing Support/Global/UK), Marcin C. (Chair IT Committee, UK/Poland), Markus S. (Staff/Sweden), Ralph B. (Literature/Vice Chair Lit Eval), Shangreila S. (Chair Global/India), Barb S. (Vol Publishing Admin), Meghan B (Colorado)

Guests (non voting members): Marianne S (Norway), Toni P (Illinois), Edmundas V (Chair European Committee/Lithuania), Mardi M (Former Editor Comline/Montana)

Publishing Committee Meets: Fridays (every 2 weeks), 9:30 am ET, 6:30 am PT, 2:30 pm GMT, 3:30 pm CET, 4:30 pm SAST, 8:00 pm India

Translation Subcommittee Meets: 3rd Wed of the month, 1 pm ET, 7 pm CET

**All are welcome to attend. [Committees Calendar | ACA WSO](#)*

<https://acawso.org/publishing/>

Activities & Accomplishments:

1. Publications: We have completed the very first printing of the Swedish BRB and they are delivered to Sweden. We have also completed the Lithuanian BRB, the Danish YWB, and Finnish Newcomer reprint.

In ebook production, we have completed Swedish eBRB, Danish eSMR and eYWB, and Greek eSMR. There is ongoing work on ebooks for Finnish and Greek languages. In order to keep up the supply for our fellowship, we are reprinting 15,000 more Loving Parent Guidebooks.

2. Accessibility with our Publications: We continue to increase accessibility with ebooks by converting past translated books to ebooks as the funds allow.

3. International Literature Scholarship Fund: We discussed with the Global Members Chair a ballot proposal to expand and clarify the fund to include translation expenses when there is no machine translation capability and using a professional translator is needed.

4. Intellectual Property- Copyright: We continue to work on copyright issues and queries.

5. Translations: The need to develop a significantly expanded English Glossary that would give translation teams page references and more detailed explanations of ACA literature terms was explained and discussed. There was unanimous agreement on the need for this. A project plan is being worked on.

We are currently supporting over 20 translation teams and there are many translations in various stages of development. New languages expected in 2024 are Simplified Chinese, Hindi and Arabic, as well as a number of new publications from existing languages.

A Translations workshop was presented at the 2023 AWC with speakers from 5 languages sharing their experience, strength and hope in translations and how their ACA recovery has benefited from this service work. The workshop also gave an overview of the process once the translated document arrives at Publishing and the accelerating pace that new Publishing tools and systems are facilitating for the translation teams.

6. Literature: We are working with the literature committee publishing “A New Hope”. We are also working on the final requirements for publishing “Ready, Set, Go”.

7. Audio recordings: We have requested audio books to be developed in the 2024 budget if the funds are available.

8. Website: We have updated the Publishing Committee webpage. Our publishing admin volunteer and IT volunteer have been working on this project. We are looking at publishing the projects in development in 2024 once we have the resources.

9. Volunteers: We welcome additional volunteers to join the Publishing Committee and Translations Subcommittee. We need support for communication coordinator, audio recordings, writing projects, volunteer coordinator, and other admin duties. Please come in and join as a guest and meet the volunteers and staff behind the scenes in this exciting work.

Join our open slack channel, # publishing_open_forum if interested to learn more and keep informed on publishing projects and # literature_translations on volunteering to support our translation groups around the world.

Please use our intake link for requests for approved English and Translated ACA literature: Intake for Publishing Requests: https://acawso.org/publishing_intake

Questions for the publishing staff can be emailed to pubstaff@acawso.org.

To volunteer in providing translation support to our international translation groups, contact: translations@acawso.org

For International Intergroup Print requests: <https://adultchildren.org/international-literature-order-request-form/>

Questions for the Committee & Offers to Provide Service:

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