

# Hand in Hand

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## Upcoming RCA Events!!! Recovering Couples Anonymous - 2006 Convention/Conference LIVING IN LOVE Boston, Mass. Area August 4th- 6<sup>th</sup> Flyer enclosed!

### The Blue Book Review Process

The Literature Committee recommends we photocopy the 2006 draft and distribute it for review as we did with the 2005 text, so we can sample the Group Conscience of the RCA Membership again as we did this year. If the conference votes in favor, the books will say "RCA Conference Approved" instead of "Published by the World Service Organization (WSO) of Recovering Couples Anonymous". Inviting wider participation through another sampling of the Group Conscience will provide significant benefits. The feedback and our committee discussions highlight at least two areas in which there may not be a clear Group Conscience, and we believe we need further input on these two questions: Who does RCA serve — only addicts, or be more inclusive? and Does the text in the Traditions represent RCA experience?

To implement the input from the Visions Surveys, the WSO tried to be more inclusive of membership as reflected in less focus on the term "addict" in the literature we publish, and that trend is reflected in the 2nd draft. There is a vocal minority that doesn't agree with this. Is more inclusiveness the Group Conscience?

Do the current Traditions reflect RCA experience? Do they lead to long term survival? Some challenge that they do not, and we could test that challenge by interviewing the Groups that have longevity. With some 500 Groups started and only 100 or so existing now, we believe RCA needs some input on these critical questions.

Last but not least, when WSO has implemented changes in response to Fellowship input, there has been a backlash of objections and corrections. For example, members complained about RCA adapting AA material without permission, and then when this was corrected, other members complained that we should have ignored AA's request. Without another survey and round of input from the fellowship, we really cannot know what the Fellowship group conscience is. We need to know before we make the commitment to printing, which requires a costly up-front payment and longer production time than photocopying.

### Please Note

YOUR GCC WILL RECEIVE AN UPDATED DELEGATE PACKET

### What Your Delegate Needs to Know to Vote Your Group's Conscience

#### About the Bylaw proposals

Should member groups be able to vote by absentee ballot?  
(Change Bylaw 6.2)

Should each RCA member group have one vote at the conference? (Add Bylaw 3.6)

Should delegates vote for officer elections? (Change 4.1.1)

Two options are proposed; see your Delegate Packet  
About RCA Literature Proposals

Does your group vote for Twelve Step Workbook (Blue Book Companion Journal) to be Conference Approved?

Does your group vote for Recovering Couples Anonymous 4<sup>th</sup> Edition for be Conference Approved?

### AA'S Copyright Permission Statement

March 19, 2003

Recovering Couples Anonymous

Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

Thank you for your recent phone call in which you requested information regarding Alcoholics Anonymous World Services, Inc. copyright policy. Listed below are explanations of our policy as it applies to outside organizations requesting reprint permission.

Our policy does not permit the use of more than the Steps, the Traditions (short form) or the Preamble (through the Grapevine), or a phrase, short paragraph, and the like, from text material. When a material consists almost entirely, or in great part, of quotes from A.A. literature, then it is not an original work, - it is, in fact, A.A.'s work, and A.A. is the author. When someone is creating an original work our material should represent only a tiny fraction of the whole piece.

Generally speaking, our policy permits the adaptation of the Twelve Steps and the Twelve Traditions, the latter in short form. However, when it comes to other A.A. materials, we do not feel that it is appropriate to grant permission to reprint such materials with the mere substitution of some other concern, addiction, compulsion, or what have you, where the words such as alcoholics, alcoholism, or the like, appear in the original.

To illustrate with an extreme example, we would find it unacceptable to reproduce the book, *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions*, with the substitution of co-dependency, or eating disorders, etc., where the words such as alcohol, alcoholics, alcoholism, etc., appear in the original. Such a work would not be a mere adaptation; and the resulting piece would be confusing to the reader, especially, one who has had an opportunity to read the original version of the book published by Alcoholics Anonymous.

Additionally, to permit "adaptation" of portions of text material would tend to dilute the credibility of such material. As may be the case with some of your own literature, A.A. material derives chiefly from experience, and, therefore, possesses an unerring sense of authenticity and sincerity. If the

very same material were to be published with the aforementioned word substitutions, depending on which fellowship was publishing it, anyone having occasion to read two or more of these versions would have good reason to doubt the integrity of any of them.

We hope this information helps to clarify our copyright policy and if you have any further questions please do not hesitate to let us know.

Best regards,

Darlene G. Smith, Copyright/Permissions Assistant, AAWS, Inc., 475 Riverside Drive, New York, NY 10115  
(212) 870-3538 (voice), (212) 870-3089 (fax)

This is an addendum to my e-mail of March 19, 2003 regarding copyright policies; please include that the excerpt from *Alcoholics Anonymous* knows as the so-called "promises" should be written in the general context of the book *Alcoholics Anonymous*, and were not intended to be specially titled (as, e.g., "the promises"), nor to be reprinted as numbered or tabulated items. The Board feels that, where the "promises" material is reprinted, it should be reprinted in the full text, and formatted just as it appears on pages 83 – 84.

Darlene G. Smith, Copyright/Permissions Assistant

## Editor's Note

**Hand in Hand is distributed to GCCs and email subscribers FREE four times a year. If your group wants a hard copy of the Hand in Hand mailed to you please add your \$15 subscription fee to your next literature order.**

**FREE! You can *DOWNLOAD PAST ISSUES* on [www.recoveringcouples.org](http://www.recoveringcouples.org).** On the front page, click Hand in Hand Newsletter and click on the issue you want.

**Disclaimer** Articles in the Hand in Hand are the Experience, Strength and Hope of the individuals and groups who submitted them. Take what you like & leave the rest. We welcome notices of upcoming events and your stories or reflections on your coupleship recovery. Once an item has been submitted to RCA, it can be used in RCA publications, i.e., books, pamphlets, and Hand In Hand. Submissions may be edited due to spatial considerations, or publishing may be delayed. Please sign your submission exactly the way you want it printed!!

### 2006 Publications Submissions Deadlines

Fall 2006 September 14, 2006

**Please send your submissions to**

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**NOTICE The Group Contact Couple listing on the website is for the use of individuals to locate meetings. Any individual using it for any other purpose should be dissuaded from doing so in a letter clarifying the policy; Steve will send a letter, at the direction of the Board.**

## RCA Members' Points of View

### To Adapt or Not to Adapt? That is the question!

In December of 2001 the RCA WSO received an email from an AA representative questioning some of the material adapted from AA and displayed at the RCA web site. This email began a torrent of heated debate within the RCA community regarding whether or not to continue to adapt

AA material.

Prior to that, for nearly 14 years, from 1988 to 2002, portions of RCA's literature had been adapted from portions of the first 164 pages of the Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous. In 2003 RCA's WSO was out of Blue Books. And, because there was so much discord over the AA email, How it Works Part 1 & 2 and The Promises were deleted from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition so we could at least get some books printed. Now the Draft of the 4<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Blue Book has changed How it Works and The Promises so they no longer resembles the AA version at all.

It is important that the RCA Community know that the first 164 pages of the Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous is now "Public Domain" because AA allowed their copyright to this material to lapse. Therefore there is no legal requirement to obtain AA permission to adapt any of the material contained in these first 164 pages. AA has stated that, as a matter of policy, they do not ever "grant permission" to adapt How it Works or the so-called Promises to any 12-step fellowship. Because of AA's 10<sup>th</sup> Tradition, they will not attempt to "prevent" any 12-Step fellowship from adapting AA material.

So we are left with the question of: "Should RCA adapt these sections or not?" There are those among us who would assert that adapting these sections of the AA Big Book to address our specific audience (couples) is "plagiarism" and that plagiarism is the same as stealing, and not a very "spiritual" behavior. To those we could respond that, as long as we acknowledge the original source of public domain material that has been adapted, the adaptation could not be considered stolen or plagiarized.

Many people new to RCA have stated that they have found comfort and reassurance at their first RCA meeting because material like "How it Works and the Promises" felt familiar to them. Hearing that RCA was firmly based in the spiritual concepts and principles of a 12-Step program that they *already* trusted helped them trust in RCA. Considering how fragile many RCA newcomers are, this familiarity is a valuable commodity we don't want to lose.

We could ask ourselves, "What would Bill W. do?" The answer may be in the 1958 AA Grapevine article "**The Next Frontier: Emotional Sobriety**" by Bill Wilson (Visit [www.aagrapevine.org/da](http://www.aagrapevine.org/da) then enter "1958 Emotional Sobriety" in the "search" box for the full article.) This article clearly indicates that Bill W. believed that the 12-Steps held the potential to bring "emotional sobriety". Isn't emotional sobriety what most of us are really looking for when it comes to dealing with our partners? Aren't we looking for a way to maintain our serenity without dependence on our partner's behavior? How can we imagine that Bill W. would not condone the adaptation of AA material to address coupleship issues if there is a chance that these adaptations may help someone successfully maneuver through the "Next Frontier" as he put it? RCA is a community, and we need all facets of the community to be heard. This is an important decision for the future of RCA and we don't want it made by a fervent and vocal minority. We need the majority voice to be

heard. Each Group is asked to take a group conscience and communicate that conscience on this topic to the World Service Board to ensure the needs and wishes of the entire community are taken into consideration. *An RCA member.*

### **Let's Be Friendly with Our Friends**

...And last but not least, how can anyone who proposed question number 7, even THINK we should print them over the request by AA not to do so? What kind of recovery does this represent?

An RCA Couple

## **SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES**

**SPONSORSHIP:** We need help for new couples and new groups in areas with little RCA support

**WRITERS, REPORTERS, EDITORS:** Your talent is needed to interview groups, to write couple stories or articles for Hand In Hand.

**AMBASSADORS:** Couples to carry the message to communities where the RCA presence is missing, or needs support. Contact Steve

*The following is a reprint from Visions  
2000 feedback recommendations*

### **How We Can Generate More Income**

1. Create more and healthier Meetings
2. Ask and Inform: Communicate regularly about the importance, the benefits to members and the usage of funds, use visual aids in meetings such as passing the hat twice, prompt card.
3. Fund Raising Events: Use local, regional and national events to raise funds and build community; bake sales, potlucks, recreational outings, auctions, raffles, speaker tours, retreats.
4. Fund Raising Traditions: establish traditions that honor progress and milestones in recovery with a monetary gift to the fellowship as an acknowledgement of its contribution to the quality of life, annual gift on couples' RCA birthday, completion of a step, anniversary, ask for larger donations: \$3 to survive, 5 to thrive.
5. New Recovery Tools: More creative tools, clothing, sell books at bookstores, sell non-RCA tools (that are approved), translate RCA tools into other languages
6. Pray!

WSO continues to barely meet expenses each month. Please ask your group to do one of the activities listed above!!!

Your contributions go to providing our Website and World Service Office, answering 12 Step calls and distributing literature.

### **What is the secret of a great sex life?**

“Unless and until our sexual hunger is connected to our spiritual hunger, the flame cannot ignite because it needs the fuel of something greater, to lift us up to ecstasy.” *From the Couple Reflection The Power of Passion*

It is in our committed coupleships that our sexual and spiritual beings have the greatest chance of flowering. The keys to unlock this potential are simple:

Honesty

Openness

Willingness

#### **Honesty**

Why is it that many of us find it difficult to be honest about what we really think...feel...wish for...in our most intimate interactions with our partners? We may talk about how important honesty is in all other aspects of our lives and still neglect it in this one area.

#### **Openness**

We know the healing power of openness and the light that shines through when we open our hearts, our ears, and our minds to each other. We can let even more of that light into this most intimate and special part of our coupleship through greater openness.

#### **Willingness**

In RCA we learn that the power of being willing to communicate means being willing to speak and being willing to listen. We learn to consider the well-being of the coupleship as well as our individual preferences. Then we learn the power of being willing to make the changes that serve the good of the coupleship, all with the help of our Higher Power. The Sex and Romance Workshop uses these principles and provides the format and the tools to facilitate couples in taking the next step in creating their ideal sexual relationship. “This is a love that not only inspires the body, heart and mind; it also fills the soul with a direct pathway to the divine.” *From the Couple Reflection The Spark of Sex*

## **Sex and Romance Agreement**

**Workshop in a Box \$12.95**

**Workshop for 3 couples**

1 Tape of Sami and Paul, San Diego

- 1 Facilitators' Guide
- 6 Sex and Romance Agreement pamphlets
- 3 Couple Contract pamphlets
- 3 Reflections on the Spark of Sex

## Sex and Romance Agreement

### Workshop in a Box \$18.95

#### Workshop for 5 couples

- 1 Tape of Sami and Paul, San Diego
- 1 Facilitators' Guide
- 10 Sex and Romance Agreement pamphlets
- 5 Couple Contract pamphlets
- 5 Reflections on the Spark of Sex

#### Fully Self-Supporting

“We have found that being fully self-supporting is a source of spiritual strength and self-respect.” *RCA Tradition Seven*. Accepting financial responsibility for ourselves is a foundation for maintaining our independence. Financial assistance from outside, however well-intentioned, can lead to a loss of our independence. Outside contributors may expect special favors or special treatment and weaken the integrity of the group. In our coupleships, the same principles apply.

How this manifests in our coupleships can vary widely. In some coupleships, each partner agrees to provide half the support for the coupleship into a coupleship pool, and gets to keep the rest. Sometimes partners contribute their entire income and decide on the distribution of the sum.

Occasionally, one person provides the income for the coupleship; as one man said, “I make the living, and she makes living worthwhile.” These roles may shift as partners complete schooling, bear and rear children, become retired, or become disabled. Through respectful communication, new agreements can be reached.

During changing circumstances, we affirm our coupleship is a “oneness” – a separate entity sustained by a power greater than itself or either partner alone. Seeking and following guidance from this higher power helps us stay aware and resourceful during challenging situations. The important principles here are respect for the needs and abilities for each partner and for the coupleship as a whole, and trust in the guidance we receive.

When we rely on help from our Higher Power, we can accept the responsibility for being fully self-supporting with faith, and without fear.

#### Our Commitment Today

Today we will take our worries and concerns together to our higher power. We will review our financial independence and reflect on the gifts of spiritual strength and self-respect we received.

#### My Commitment Today

Today I will look at my part in our coupleship's financial

integrity. In what ways am I doing my part? How am I acknowledging and encouraging toward my partner?

#### Working Together

“When professionals participate in RCA, their exchanges at meetings should be about their own recoveries in their own coupleships; they do not attend in their professional capacities or as experts in the field of intimacy and communication.. They share the joy in the Fellowship as couples, not as professionals. What we do for ourselves and others is done for our own spiritual growth, and not for money or any material gain.” *Tradition Eight*

In her work with families, Virginia Satir observed that sometimes solutions to a family dilemma that had stumped the parents could be suggested by a three-year-old child. When we grasp the spiritual principle of the innate wisdom of each person we become better partners, parents, workers and friends. Providing an equal right of participation for each helps create a sense of dignity for each member of our coupleship, work group, or family. As we express our respectfulness for the perspective and wisdom of each person, regardless of their age, gender, or rank, we find that we grow in understanding and compassion for ourselves, as well.

#### Our Commitment Today

Today we will reflect on how we work together. In what ways can we bring even more cooperation and creativity into our coupleship?

#### My Commitment Today

Today I will look honestly at my attitude toward service. In what ways do I open up to others for input, instead of trying to prove my way is right?

#### Trust and Responsibility

“The Fellowship of RCA is about the spirit of service; all couples are invited to volunteer themselves to service.” *RCA Tradition Nine*. The idea is that our leaders are not “bosses,” but trusted servants. Leadership positions rotate on a regular basis so that all couples involved have a chance to share responsibility. No couple directs and no couple controls the other couples. In this way, both responsibility and authority are shared. People new to 12 Steps may wonder how our responsibilities can be fulfilled when there are no bosses. What makes this work is trust – trust in each other to have our common welfare as a goal, trust in ourselves to be full participants in the business of building a group or a coupleship, and trust in our Higher Power.

It has been said that “Trust must be earned.” In RCA we learn how to earn the trust of others through working Steps Seven through Twelve. We have found that when people work toward a shared vision, in a spirit of service, and when the RC A contract tools are used to form and keep clear agreements, the work gets done.

#### Our Commitment Today

Today we will focus on our shared vision. This may mean looking back at our step work, collage, or coupleship journal. We can take a moment to update or re-commit to

our common goals, and invite our Higher Power in to move us toward their fruition.

**My Commitment Today**

Today I'll look at my part in getting the work done. In what ways am I committed to common goals, and to using my personal and coupleship programs to be my best?

**Couple's Share: The Heart of the Program**

It was so amazing when we started working the steps — a separate added meeting with a format for that! — And all of a sudden we got all these new couples.

The older veterans who had been around for 3-4 years are one meeting; they are now finishing up months of working together and co-sponsoring each other. When they finish up with all the steps then we might all go through them together.

Then there was us "newbies" who came in a year ago and formed a new meeting. We are now on step 7 (contracts). . We would say the "we" serenity prayer, the safety guidelines and read the step study from our primary programs so people also got a feeling for deep roots. We would then break into couples and do some writing and then come back together. For the really new couples it was safer in case they hit a wall. My partner and I did almost all our work at home and came to the small group for renewed focus and sharing. Hearing from the "seniors" was so valuable!! When the other couples dropped out of the group, my partner and I set a weekly time for some work. It's not the same as the sacred circle of the study group, but I do feel that for us weekly time for us as a couple and making room for this is the HEART OF THE PROGRAM.

I'm 21 yrs sober and this work in RCA is the driving force in my life; this is true for my partner also; we love it. I feel a whole different level of commitment yet hard work in my relationship. These steps are so difficult especially the 4th and 6th. So I'm trying to love and forgive myself through it.

Jade irw Gladys Oregon

**World Service Office Manager's Report  
INCOME**

**Donations**

00500 Santa Cruz, CA Day in Spring	\$350.00
10014 Sweden RCA	\$1,340.00
43020 Tucson, AZ Wednesday	\$200.00
45015 Jamestown, CA Joint Venture	\$50.00
45020 Sherman Oaks, CA	\$200.00
45040 El Segundo (LA), CA Saturday	\$140.00
45043 LA Monthly Step Study	\$82.00
45045 Culver City (LA), CA Sunday CLARE	\$354.40

45050 Oakland, CA Sun Eve Candle	\$81.00
45060 Los Altos, CA	\$203.00
45085 San Francisco, CA	\$55.00
45100 Santa Cruz, CA Sun Morning....	\$150.00
45105 Walnut Creek, CA Friday Night	\$300.00
45340 West LA, CA Sunday Night Closed	\$150.00
46007 Denver, CO	\$41.50
49030 Sarasota/Venice/Osprey, Fl	\$210.00
51010 Hilo, HI	\$50.00
53010 Rockford, IL	\$20.05
55005 Des Moines, IA	\$170.00
62000 Birmingham, MI	\$100.00
62025 Tri-County, MI	\$15.00
63005 Eagan, MN	\$10.00
65005 St. Charles, MO	\$50.00
66002 Bozeman, MT	\$10.00
66005 Missoula, MT	\$50.00
72017 Ithaca, NY	\$20.00
78030 Wernersville, PA Miracle Mtn	\$25.00
79001 Myrtle Beach, SC	\$144.00
81005 Rapid City, SD	\$21.00
82020 Chattanooga, TN	\$50.00
83020 Ft. Worth, TX	\$191.00
87010 Seattle, WA Sunday RCA	\$75.00
87012 Friday Harbor, WA	\$75.00

Individual	
▪	\$11.87
▪	\$60.00
▪	\$100.00
▪	\$20.00
▪	\$100.00
▪	\$479.00
▪	\$12.00
▪	\$3.67
▪	<u>\$1,400.00</u>
<b>TOTAL DONATIONS</b>	<b>\$7,169.49</b>

Merchandise	Qty.Sold	Income
Draft Blue Books	108	\$1,188.00
Electronic Copies	9	\$45.00
Print plus Electronic	4	\$60.00
Workbook -	33	\$493.35
Reflections Booklets -	5	\$31.50
Meeting Directory -	1	\$2.50
Meeting Guidelines	1	\$2.50
Service Literature	2	\$1.00
Brochures -	780 -	\$419.65
Medallions	140	\$450.00
Wood chips	262	\$101.50
Meeting Starter Packets	8	\$327.50
Workshop in a Box	3	\$38.85
CD Set -	1	\$43.50
Newsletter Subscription	2	\$30.00
From the Heart Cards	2	\$10.00
Affirmation Cards	6	\$40.00
<b>TOTAL MERCHANDISE</b>		<b>\$3,284.85</b>
Postage and Handling		\$648.84

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Interest – Savings	<u>\$6.58</u>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$11,109.76</b>

**EXPENSES**

Consultant: Web Master/ e-mail	\$583.00
Consultant: WSO Office	\$4,000.00
CD production	\$87.00
Book keeping and Accounting	\$300.00
Office Supplies	\$114.36
Medallions	\$275.10
Insurance	\$485.60
Pay Pal Fees	\$69.64
Printing costs	1,011.39
<small>for Blue Book Drafts, Hand in Hand, Brochures, Affirmation Cards, Annual Reports, Order forms, Convention registration forms</small>	
Postage	\$500.32
P.O. Box Rental 6 mos USPS	\$72.00
Office Rent	\$1,709.22
Telephone/Fax/DSL	\$340.85
Taxes and License	\$85.00
Bank charges	<u>\$30.00</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b><u>\$9,663.48</u></b>
<b>NET INCOME-</b>	<b><u>\$1,446.28</u></b>

**Savings Account**

\$3,097.00 Blue Book Publishing Fund  
 \$2,000.00 Sales Tax Fund  
 \$300.00 Book keeping/Accounting fund  
 Accounts Receivable \$414.26  
 Pay Pal Account Balance \$58.55  
 Checking Account Balance \$514.12 *Operating funds*

Thank You to our loyal groups and members!

Your donations help carry the RCA message of hope!

**Be Sure to Get Your Meal Package!**

We called to reserve a room for an extra day and the price *for the same room we will be in for the convention* was \$289!! This is truly a luxury hotel and the meals will be equally exceptional and surely worth the cost. The Sheraton Braintree Hotel has cuisine that suits an elegant landmark. Plus, the fellowship and interactions at meals are a part of the joy of attending RCACC. And searching around for other restaurants in an unfamiliar area can be expensive, disappointing, and a time-consuming drain of energy. If you haven't yet signed up for the meal package, send in your check right away: \$159 after July 1st or \$ 55 Sat. Banquet.

**Highlights of the 2006 Conference**

August 3, 8-9 PM Thurs. – Delegate “Meet and Greet”  
 August 4, 10AM to 5 PM RCA Annual Conference  
 August 6, Sunday, 9 – 10 AM Leadership Elections  
 August 6, Sunday, 2 – 4 PM Leadership Elections  
 See your Group Delegate Packet for more details!

**Highlights of the 2006 Convention**

**Living in Love at the Annual Convention**

The RCA Convention is the annual gathering of the members and will occur on Friday evening through Sunday morning.

The RCA Convention begins with a “Living in Love” Keynote event & Opening Ceremonies on Friday evening, continues with workshops and RCA meetings all day Saturday and from 10 am to Noon on Sunday, and ends with a Closing Luncheon and Speaker on Sunday at noon.

Workshop and panel subjects may include the following topics: Fair Fighting, Tools of Recovery, Sponsorship, Importance of Service, Healthy Sexuality, Contract Writing, and RCA sobriety. On Monday, groups can gather for sightseeing around the Boston metro area.

**Experience the Thrill of Service**

- ♥ Sign up to be a Breakout Group Leader
- ♥ Bring Something for the Silent Auction
- ♥ Buy Something at the Silent Auction
- ♥ Sign up for Service on a Committee

Call Bob and Keren at 781-848-5922 or email [rppetitti@aol.com](mailto:rppetitti@aol.com) today! ♥ ♥ ♥

**Become a World Service Couple!**

Maybe at no other time in the history of the WSO (World Service Organization) of RCA has there been such a sense of excitement and anticipation as we watch our fellowship grow and reach out to more and more couples in pain and offer relief to those in need of hope. This is definitely a time of change for our fellowship with hope of increased growth but at the same time this offers us even more opportunities to serve and give back.

Our challenge as a fellowship is to keep the momentum going and we need your help. We want to keep "carrying the message" and be there for those couples who feel desperate in their suffering. One way you as a couple can help is to become a leader in our world service work.

The World Service Application Form is in the Group Delegate Packet on the website.

**Sign Up Today!**