



Two Important SDMI Changes Affecting USA/Canada Districts

Monthly Stat Reporting

Traditionally, churches gave monthly statistical reports to their respective districts with at least three key figures: average worship attendance, average Sunday school attendance, and the responsibility list. The districts were then asked to report these numbers to the SDMI office at the Global Ministry Center monthly.

Because of the change to the SDMI bylaws in 2017, the SDMI office in the Global Ministry Center will no longer be requesting monthly statistics from the districts in the USA/Canada Region. Now, the primary global SDMI statistical report will be through the Annual Pastor's Report.

A special video of this announcement has been prepared for sharing with your district churches. It can be viewed and/or downloaded from this [link](#).

The annual Bible Society Offering

For many years, the SDMI office has worked with the American Bible Society to develop a theme for a yearly Bible Society offering. The Global Ministry Center promoted this theme across the region. Local churches took offerings and sent those offerings to the GMC for the fulfillment of that special project.

In 2017, a significant change was made within the appendix of the 2017-2021 *Manual*, paragraph 908, 2. With this change to the *Manual*, the SDMI office at the Global Ministry Center will no longer be taking a region-wide offering for the American Bible Society.

In keeping with the *Manual*, we encourage all churches to participate with the annual Bible Society offering but that those offerings be aligned with the vision and direction of your district leadership. If desired, the SDMI office is glad to engage in strategic conversations regarding Bible Society offerings.

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