

1963 SERVICE YEAR REPORT OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES WORLDWIDE

Country	1962 Av. Pubs.	1963 Av. Pubs.	%Inc. over 1962	Peak Pubs. 1963	Av. Pubs.	No. Public Meetings	No. of Cong's	Total Literature	Total Hours	New Subs.	Individual Magazines	Back-Calls	Av. Bible Studies
U.S. of America	267,436	280,052	5	308,370	11,806	299,331	4,777	8,558,693	44,572,990	877,705	50,584,964	14,864,621	210,918
Bermuda	52	38	-5*	48	8	112	1	7,795	16,046	1,437	26,064	6,165	96
Guam	40	38	-5*	48	5	12	1	1,114	3,862	138	7,518	2,478	30
Saipan	40	38	-5*	48	5	12	1	1,114	3,862	138	7,518	2,478	30
Sudan	31	4	New	40	3	1	1	614	3,721	30	1,103	1,204	12
Alaska	395	462	17	481	30	437	11	14,164	83,354	1,791	82,150	28,133	407
Argentina	8,415	9,252	10	9,754	513	6,893	239	200,121	1,748,683	18,265	1,536,167	769,849	9,213
Australia	14,634	15,045	3	16,544	570	13,028	384	318,831	2,340,620	25,393	2,481,500	740,022	10,067
Austria	6,374	6,717	5	7,414	199	4,650	180	137,316	970,276	4,995	1,151,493	433,745	4,388
Bahamas	225	225		255	23	182	7	12,446	53,743	911	59,143	19,908	311
Belgium	6,721	7,016	4	7,837	205	4,970	118	136,954	1,028,981	7,396	1,252,467	374,469	4,434
Bolivia	439	476	8	552	59	667	18	17,883	131,802	1,322	101,887	42,523	563
Brazil	24,664	26,827	9	30,118	930	19,984	669	495,351	4,086,618	25,068	2,959,462	1,411,010	18,571
British Guiana	685	795	16	882	78	683	21	35,621	178,322	1,396	133,359	64,428	888
British Honduras	238	308	29	344	26	249	10	7,561	70,273	488	58,922	23,229	357
British Isles	46,842	47,053		51,725	1,903	51,669	930	1,106,605	7,001,443	58,214	8,455,876	2,753,121	33,099
Aden	2	4	100	7	7	14	1	53	349	9	48	154	5
Gibraltar	21	13	-38*	17	9	7	1	239	1,676	13	2,406	1,108	23
Malta	7	6	-14*	9	3	7	5	221	759	27	422	488	8
Burma	195	219	12	234	33	231	1	20,886	76,911	599	64,133	28,759	329
Cameroun	5,974	6,506	9	6,850	323	6,789	149	46,758	1,829,504	479	33,840	694,402	7,079
Canada	37,227	37,418	1	40,625	1,431	38,397	886	688,243	5,775,431	58,398	5,392,490	1,801,195	22,250
Ceylon	2,274	2,388	7	2,624	145	197	9	11,071	91,422	1,453	79,928	28,856	324
Chile	2,719	2,388	8	3,144	197	2,219	82	71,282	583,613	4,103	573,849	231,068	3,538
Colombia	2,281	2,803	23	3,038	288	3,378	89	79,124	753,564	3,079	501,930	314,835	4,029
Congo (Brazzaville)	701	775	11	812	32	718	15	6,163	157,203	216	9,564	55,487	589
Central Afr. Rep.	394	508	29	633	14	739	14	2,586	94,773	25	396	40,986	423
Gabon Republic	32	39	22*	38	2	46	2	1,045	7,706	11	769	2,393	19
Tchad Republic	18	15	-17*	24	2	27	2	69	2,891	1	44	1,287	40
Congo (Leopoldville)	1,662	2,025	22	2,443	45	944	25	24,254	396,796	633	28,002	171,516	1,958
Costa Rica	2,569	2,656	3	2,733	88	1,425	79	14,857	403,107	599	142,970	132,355	2,129
Cuba	14,082	15,240	8	16,161	1,188	18,201	482	145,107	2,823,373	490	163,857	1,270,716	18,579
Cyprus	493	516	5	566	22	195	13	9,323	79,097	3,844	33,098	29,490	298
Denmark	9,782	10,080	3	11,002	287	10,156	214	157,276	1,292,528	633	1,262,491	498,490	5,122
Faroe Islands	25	27		29	7	26	1	2,102	13,007	118	17,063	4,746	33
Greenland													
Dominican Republic	9	10	11	15	4	42	2	1,084	2,885	13	2,364	1,349	10
Ecuador	790	1,035	31	1,155	115	841	26	44,119	292,147	2,952	245,291	129,609	2,071
Eire (Ireland)	809	1,053	30	1,164	118	1,211	22	27,854	293,820	1,720	185,160	130,070	1,383
El Salvador	202	223	10	246	82	332	4	142,329	1,42,329	277	42,588	32,691	184
El Salvador	671	773	15	802	83	964	19	19,246	213,175	1,263	163,307	76,397	1,054
Fiji	217	227	5	248	23	214	7	10,771	62,397	540	33,462	22,184	335
American Samoa	26	24	-8*	27	6	16	1	2,217	12,682	353	9,144	4,424	63
Gilbert & Ellice Isls.	7	New		7	3	1	1	36	10,478	1	72	4,654	11
New Caledonia	28	48	71	58	3	50	1	909	10,678	22	81	4,305	61
New Hebrides	2	4	100	6	3	4	1	187	730	36	538	352	5
Niue	13	16	23	22	8	8	1	132	1,414	785	14,293	7,860	16
Tahiti	50	62	24	68	8	67	1	120	20,531	1	13,038	6,000	7
Tonga	6	New		9	8	27	1	1,980	20,555	196	13,038	6,000	93
Western Samoa	58	61	5	70	309	8,425	340	151,763	1,180,807	12,733	1,439,943	446,038	4,722
Finland	8,338	8,737		9,664	439	10,975	328	536,178	2,498,871	29,499	2,823,940	1,029,755	12,135
France	17,299	18,514	7	20,367	15	55	1	9,365	27,675	696	34,286	9,817	73
Algeria	137	137		108	18	104	1	379	36,476	1,080	35,717	13,871	196
Madagascar	80	80		108	4	2	2	379	6,863	8	319	2,257	23
Mali	4	5		6	3	53	2	2,598	17,514	21	9,892	6,554	98
Reunion	19	61	221	93	4	2	2	2,598	17,514	21	9,892	6,554	98

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Senegal Republic	35	43	23	49	5	46	1	3,384	13,736	412	12,393	6,680	83
Tunisia	35	42	20	49	4	8	1	694	9,744	62	7,097	4,233	26
Germany, West	70,663	73,119	3	78,043	1,862	60,900	917	1,164,375	9,969,093	33,003	10,468,733	3,947,394	39,937
West Berlin	4,909	5,054	3	5,400	1,14	2,744	39	94,618	699,235	1,764	715,828	293,245	2,902
Ghana	8,295	8,408	1	8,841	413	7,660	257	114,994	1,856,142	3,655	403,555	580,681	7,543
Ivory Coast	85	78	-8*	94	9	86	2	4,342	26,588	307	9,937	8,747	119
Togoland	338	364	8*	439	32	316	12	7,605	117,464	211	11,674	33,996	439
Upper Volta	8,823	9,573	New	7	172	2,431	10	142	331	3,872	699,731	63	7
Greece	325	376	9	10,507	23	148	10	57,617	1,103,775	512	74,288	30,067	4,245
Guadeloupe			16	388				11,551	78,499				368
French Guiana	17	17		22	1	18	1	1,500	3,793	136	6,812	1,591	29
Martinique	94	124	32	138	13	112	3	5,926	37,287	302	13,862	237	287
Guatemala	1,061	1,164	10	1,236	110	1,850	34	25,539	293,474	1,384	202,627	93,554	1,481
Haiti	831	933	10	1,036	96	1,075	29	16,234	251,771	337	71,065	1,440	1,481
Hawaii	1,711	1,832	7	2,006	135	2,036	35	79,958	446,284	8,906	484,336	157,206	2,182
Honduras	624	653	5	709	64	658	13	13,404	175,126	1,348	102,829	63,316	836
Hong Kong	216	209	-3*	222	39	283	7	15,568	84,007	1,964	79,113	33,086	444
Iceland	61	66	8	74	11	42	1	4,302	20,763	226	20,437	7,614	86
India	1,772	1,875	6	2,000	199	1,071	74	88,055	483,413	6,286	224,841	161,332	1,957
Indonesia	588	700	19	801	140	1,002	37	178,715	285,270	471	13,426	100,872	1,210
Israel	71	73	4	80	9	28	2	6,324	17,905	332	13,042	6,468	74
Italy	6,501	7,130	10	7,801	237	3,179	246	218,095	972,652	10,029	1,062,278	413,714	5,330
Libya	42	41	-2*	42	1	1	1	360	3,406	4	427	1,128	27
Somalia	4	2	-50*	2									
Jamaica	4,465	4,580	3	4,936	157	4,155	155	85,686	652,151	1,992	413,251	243,325	3,923
Cayman Islands	25	23	-8*	26	3	21	1	594	5,944	36	2,646	2,487	29
Turks & Caicos Isls.	2	2		3	1	4	1	124	1,188	6	1,102	788	14
Japan	2,266	2,670	18	2,931	346	3,372	105	220,726	799,058	16,356	973,725	304,223	3,991
Okinawa	141	181	28	203	29	161	5	15,343	60,804	981	86,397	20,200	283
Jordan	59	66	12	72	15	109	3	467	23,470	17	8,328	8,328	82
Kenya	118	133	13	144	8	145	2	8,603	30,857	334	22,596	12,260	191
Uganda	18	19	6	25	2	14	1	730	5,748	55	2,422	1,951	39
Korea	4,120	4,617	12	5,075	467	4,495	123	105,082	1,132,367	8,890	701,939	409,030	6,193
Lebanon	693	756	9	836	40	1,033	19	32,365	147,638	67	701,939	56,791	870
Bahrain Islands	1	1		2				5	23			48	1
Iran	16	16		20	4	10	1	2,012	6,537	102	2,120	3,202	50
Iraq	1	1		1				1	27		2	10	1
Kuwait	8	6	-25*	8	1	7	1	411	1,589	79	377	538	3
Qatar	1	1		1				41	277	3	265	181	1
Syria	91	113	24	128	5	54	4	1,950	19,973	1	35	6,398	92
Leewards (Antigua)	104	106	2	115	11	117	3	3,151	26,622	173	18,032	10,097	126
Anguilla	8	8		9	1	12	1	252	3,182	11	1,568	970	13
Dominica	117	116	-1*	119	12	135	6	2,041	30,811	129	15,610	10,372	148
Montserrat	15	16	7	16	4	42	2	717	7,908	30	3,992	2,663	32
Nevis	29	31	7	34	5	42	2	466	11,377	16	4,031	4,031	57
St. Eustatius	2	2		4				45	218	3	24	137	3
St. Kitts	65	71	9	76	8	72	3	2,028	19,440	186	14,950	7,488	111
St. Martin	43	45	3*	50	4	34	3	801	11,331	104	7,182	4,493	61
Liberia	597	401	-33*	658	37	258	12	13,303	113,420	252	24,622	444	442
Luxembourg	311	344	11	372	12	211	11	9,267	47,206	305	72,885	23,078	254
Mauritius	63	73	16	79	13	134	2	8,194	29,479	318	27,210	10,796	158
Mexico	24,060	26,311	9	30,026	1,509	16,893	6	398,469	4,384,759	24,120	2,827,637	1,308,051	21,364
Morocco	150	135	-10*	151	22	146	6	7,073	45,309	809	43,835	17,339	21,209
Netherlands	12,300	12,668	3	13,546	377	6,976	4	91,731	1,626,240	3,857	1,378,070	600,525	6,357
Neth. Ant. (Curacao)	176	185	5	208	15	116	4	6,629	39,039	1,179	40,504	16,306	206
Aruba	114	119	4	128	4	112	3	2,869	17,977	584	19,537	7,399	94
Bonaire	24	23	-4*	26	2	12	1	522	3,756	59	2,571	1,627	17
Newfoundland	531	571	8	645	31	598	35	97,922	97,922	1,163	112,219	30,868	344
New Zealand	3,954	4,067	3	4,355	148	3,862	114	74,307	595,118	6,111	658,810	189,420	2,517
Cook Islands		4	New	6	3			225	3,168		296	1,086	14

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Nicaragua	473	524	11	580	50	374	19	11,168	126,920	683	88,706	45,172	640
Nigeria	31,923	33,492	5	37,073	1,704	31,207	665	236,572	7,854,879	5,912	678,170	1,940,973	28,263
Dahomey	817	868	6	1,453	49	966	22	8,032	202,179	238	14,973	49,272	477
Fernando Po	52	46	-12*	74	49	10,414	10	115	10,414	10	327	3,175	82
Northern Rhodesia	28,426	28,303		29,338	392	20,478	591	97,761	4,517,760	3,223	234,410	1,222,100	20,651
Tanganyika	672	745	11	815	54	1,344	25	19,387	209,112	317	18,423	66,477	977
Zanzibar	3	3		5	4	4	128	145	209	18	392	107	3
Norway	3,634	3,738	3	3,944	104	2,126	128	62,867	474,545	2,670	630,087	203,144	1,924
Nyasaland	13,900	13,875		15,061	644	12,454	394	70,830	3,239,689	1,808	91,787	1,092,678	9,502
Mozambique	638	745	17	982	39	674	8	4,793	189,230	117	6,078	59,589	674
Pakistan	131	147	12	162	20	88	4	8,715	44,714	149	27,283	16,203	195
Afghanistan	9	8	-11*	9	1	12	1	212	1,803	27	1,063	653	7
Panama	1,321	1,316		1,470	112	1,272	43	26,585	301,121	1,819	209,619	112,562	1,654
Papua	384	374	-3*	398	16	167	9	3,153	56,616	102	17,028	18,319	273
New Britain	75	60	-20*	64	3	46	1	1,785	15,847	25	5,374	3,553	50
New Guinea	154	198	29	215	14	293	3	2,511	43,832	25	14,105	19,623	255
Solomon Islands	179	239	34	299	7	524	4	374	53,724	9	24	22	207
Paraguay	409	444	9	461	47	334	22	8,057	108,742	674	80,648	32,956	207
Peru	1,451	1,673	15	1,824	175	2,691	52	70,434	448,353	3,761	350,897	148,077	445
Philippines	30,819	32,049	4	36,836	2,878	18,354	1,103	367,839	6,543,431	31,043	2,549,202	1,686,031	2,045
Portugal	1,235	1,597	29	1,798	51	921	31	23,604	295,216	48	12,501	126,219	1,820
Angola	21	35	67	58	1	1	1	491	6,900	9	180	4,897	46
Azores	76	86	13	90	5	130	4	625	18,115	13	2,371	9,796	126
Cape Verde Isl.	3	4	33	7	2	3	1	191	3,357	3	58	1,530	29
Madeira	30	39	30	46	1	33	1	396	6,535	8	530	2,723	36
São Tomé	4	8	100	12	2	2	56	54	573	3	22	203	6
Puerto Rico	2,176	2,453	13	2,725	128	2,888	56	138,350	462,139	15,264	713,521	165,287	2,699
Tortola	10	15	30	16	2	12	1	680	8,925	33	2,348	1,051	27
Virgin Islands (U.S.)	108	123	14	138	4	918	5	6,153	18,550	850	31,842	7,557	127
Sierra Leone	308	356	16	384	80	73	17	10,056	162,455	806	95,633	56,922	813
Gambia	11	7	-36*	11	2	62	1	527	4,053	14	4,375	1,654	23
Guinea	37	44	19	75	15	96	2	1,097	29,888	5	2,711	9,999	101
Singapore	127	150	18	168	19	77	4	7,078	45,924	1,440	57,560	16,035	257
Malaya	100	106	6	112	24	82	4	58,011	47,767	204	2,017	16,789	265
North Borneo	21	20	-5*	28	7	7	1	215	1,521	45	913	371	10
Sarawak	3	3		6	2	2	478	75	320	4	251	122	3
South Africa	17,657	17,688		18,787	1,045	15,668	478	336,475	3,787,019	23,779	1,487,137	1,094,470	16,129
Basutoland	153	199	28	211	28	84	8	2,167	64,733	56	4,777	17,333	242
Bechuanaland	208	205	-1*	240	16	138	5	2,159	49,133	47	4,513	13,477	194
St. Helena	35	36	3	40	2	29	2	331	6,161	20	3,800	1,927	35
South-West Africa	140	150	7	161	6	77	5	4,215	21,960	330	22,968	6,601	103
Swaziland	378	366	-3*	415	23	527	10	3,545	89,124	123	17,582	22,861	383
Southern Rhodesia	11,263	10,360	-8*	11,058	527	13,866	347	99,349	2,070,866	3,098	267,889	588,624	9,005
Spain	2,358	2,768	17	2,935	158	779	63	30,934	550,145	65	108,831	270,752	3,796
Andorra		3	New	5	1	1	1	31	635	45	78	227	5
Canary Islands	75	83	11	90	7	34	2	587	19,004	4	4,130	8,115	147
Surinam	397	427	8	464	41	329	10	13,016	96,320	634	70,231	34,153	409
Sweden	8,906	9,361	5	10,056	387	10,334	235	214,857	1,392,290	16,438	1,881,663	578,797	5,878
Switzerland	5,185	5,436	5	5,750	110	3,021	118	146,514	693,567	7,641	1,052,641	304,055	3,875
Liechtenstein	6	7	17	8	2	2	1	129	844	3	621	333	5
Taiwan	1,552	1,255	-19*	1,477	123	1,025	47	18,109	264,524	1,748	98,010	91,423	749
Thailand	328	312	-5*	357	41	298	23	14,302	79,948	1,941	60,810	25,146	340
Cambodia	7	5	-29*	8	4	10	2	651	3,831	109	3,536	1,268	17
Laos	10	13	30	17	7	16	1	1,324	11,324	113	5,904	3,769	50
Vietnam	11	13	18	15	7	9	1	6,290	8,921	766	11,997	3,361	37
Trinidad	1,539	1,645	7	1,756	77	1,343	39	29,158	296,319	1,797	218,994	116,351	1,714
Barbados	618	651	5	709	17	795	20	7,793	92,411	582	65,906	32,994	578
Bequia	11	14	27	19	3	47	1	273	6,930	9	2,244	3,090	44

Carriacou	22	25	14	27	2	39	1	103	6,257	5	1,312	2,380	33
Grenada	129	146	13	158	14	83	5	2,175	33,493	155	16,966	11,894	166
St. Lucia	65	73	12	74	8	116	2	1,563	20,564	166	13,340	7,822	128
St. Vincent	53	67	26	75	7	34	2	757	15,808	76	5,906	5,831	86
Tobago	43	52	21	68	5	64	1	1,513	14,747	116	10,145	7,151	71
Uruguay	1,640	1,806	10	1,960	154	1,269	40	49,013	435,045	3,030	285,435	159,558	2,228
Falkland Islands	4	3	-25*	5		1		21	106		181	70	3
Venezuela	2,750	3,150	15	3,369	174	2,001	59	77,705	649,318	3,432	411,470	241,927	3,648
181 Countries	821,434	858,040	4.5	939,384	38,207	789,803	18,840	18,688,858	144,815,497	1,433,385	116,540,324	49,649,276	652,159
†13 Other Countries	99,486	98,608	-9*	101,452	366	53,402	3,921	338,397	6,435,745	157	305,604	2,345,639	50,311
GRAND TOTAL	920,920	956,648	3.9	1,040,836	38,573	843,205	22,761	19,027,255	151,251,242	1,433,542	116,845,928	51,994,915	702,470
*Percentage of Decrease										1962	1963		
†Work Banned and Reports Are Incomplete										1,639,681	1,693,752		
										12,714	12,292		

tian religion should be have changed. Why not make your religion like what Jesus taught his to be, Christian?

¹⁵ In addition to these 702,470 home Bible studies held in the private homes of people Jehovah's Christian witnesses conducted 843,205 public meetings, usually on Sundays, in their Kingdom Halls. There are other weekly meetings too, such as the theocratic ministry school, a Bible school where Jehovah's witnesses receive training to express themselves better. They have "service meetings" each week, where they learn how to improve their house-to-house ministry. Then there is the weekly study of the *Watchtower* magazine and the congregation book study. All these meetings are Bible study meetings. Jehovah's witnesses keep on preparing themselves so as to be better ministers.

¹⁶ The outstanding thing about Jehovah's witnesses is that they believe alike and preach the same things Jesus preached. They do not encourage conclusions of their own originality. God's Word is their teacher. Who is man that he can determine by himself the way of everlasting life? He needs a guide. That guide is the written Word of God. Jesus said: "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." (John 14:6) And where is the truth Jesus taught? In the Holy Bible! Study it with others.

¹⁷ There are many people of all nations yet to be discipled, and after learning the commandments of Christ Jesus they will dedicate their lives to the service of Jehovah and be baptized by total immersion in water. During the year 1963 Jehovah's witnesses baptized 62,798 individuals from all nations, people and tongues. They not only baptized these individuals but they taught them to observe all the things Jesus commanded. These, too, became Christian ministers.

¹⁸ To help people, in their preaching work Jehovah's witnesses placed with the people many Bible-study aids in 162 different languages. In the year 1963 they distributed 4,221,772 Bibles and bound books and 14,805,483 booklets. One of the best ways to keep your faith strong is to read regularly the Scriptures and good publications on the Holy Bible. All of Jehovah's witnesses around the world read the *Watchtower* and *Awake!* magazines and so do millions of other per-

15. What other ministerial activity did Jehovah's witnesses engage in during the past year?

16. How do witnesses of Jehovah feel about reaching their own conclusions, and why?

17. Why is it evident that there are yet many people who want to be followers of Christ?

18. Since printed Bible sermons are of great value in appreciating God's promises, what distribution of them did Jehovah's witnesses carry on in 1963?