Below are the new guidelines that Craig Winquist (overseer of Arkansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma) has established for prevention and handling of abuse of the call-in system for conventions. We aren't sure what Craig is referring to by "abuse" in this context.

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You may only call in to hear the workers' gospel message if you physically cannot attend convention. If you do not feel comfortable attending in person, cannot afford the trip, or just want to hear more meetings, you may not call in. We aren't sure who makes the judgements as far as each person's ability to attend, but we do know that it isn't based on the honor system. In order to enforce these guidelines, only people whose name and phone number have been pre-registered and approved through the ministry will be permitted.

## Dear Triends ...

We will be using a different call-in system for our conventions this 2024 season. Only registered numbers will be able to listen to the meetings. This privilege is intended to enable those who are not able to attend a convention to be able to listen to a convention. This system isn't meant to replace attending a convention. The call in system has been abused by some in different ways so, unfortunately, we need to manage more closely who is listening and when.

For those who will not be able to attend a convention, please contact your local workers and they will gladly arrange for you to listen to the meetings. If you have already attended a convention this year, we will ask you to please not try to use the call in system for the present time. If you have chosen not to attend a convention this year, please don't try to use the call in system. If you cannot attend a convention, and will be using the system, please limit your call-ins to two conventions. Because of the abuse, we will be more careful this year. Hopefully in the future we can open it up freely.

What we will need from you is the number of the phone you will be listening with and whose phone it is. Just let your local worker know that number. The number you will call is (848) 488-9950.

Thank you so much for your understanding and cooperation so that we can continue to provide this service for those who need it.

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