

2023 Annual Report of the Region 4 Coordinator

This past year has seen changes to Region 4. Some have recovered from the effects of COVID-19 while others have not. I have not held Zoom meetings, but have been in contact with each secretariat. I know that some Lay Directors in the region took part in the Zoom meetings with NLS President John Aclin.

INKY (Indiana/Kentucky area) held 3 weekends in 2022 with 28 candidates attending. They have held Ultreyas in the north and south areas of their secretariat. They also have been working hard to bring you a wonderful Annual Gathering for 2023. With only one year to prepare, they need a big thank you for stepping up to this task.

River's Edge (St. Louis area) voted to disband in 2022 since they have been inactive for a number of years. Their Lay Director, who was hoping to get things going again in 2021, is being ordained and is now serving a church in the Living Water VdC area. She is helping them out as an SD.

Heart of Illinois (Peoria/Bloomington area) has voted to go inactive due to a lack of commitment and the aging of their community. They will not hold weekends but may still hold Ultreyas. They are working on getting their community connected with Living Water VdC and Prairie Sonshine in Illinois.

Prairie Sonshine (Jacksonville area) held 3 weekends with 27 candidates attending in 2022. I have talked with LD Becky Henderson about working with members of Heart of Illinois. They do not have a website due to problems of it being compromised, but work through Facebook and a phone system called "Call Multiplier". This system sends out text messages and a phone call about their upcoming activities.

Living Water (Quad Cities/Princeton area) held 2 mixed weekends in 2022 with 17 candidates attending in 2022. They are working to get a new website since theirs was lost. They do have a Facebook page and send out emails for announcements and prayer requests. Ultreyas are held every other month during the year. They are working on connecting with the Heart of Illinois community by adding them to their contact list.

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