

2024 Region 7 Annual Report

This is my third year serving as Region 7 Coordinator. Region 7 consists of 6 secretariats all in the State of Florida.

Our secretariats are as follows:

- Gold Coast VdC
- Indian River VdC
- Lighthouse VdC
- Sonbeam VdC
- Sonshine North VdC
- Sonshine VdC of South Florida

Like many secretariats all over the country, some of our secretariats are still experiencing “growing” pains after Covid 19. It is getting harder to fill teams for weekends.

I am aware that four of the six secretariats are still having weekends. We are experiencing good success with one secretariat, fair success with three secretariats and missing communication from two secretariats despite my emails, texts and phone calls. One of the previous Lay Directors told me that the new Lay Director has her hands full and is committed to keeping that community viable, but they seem to be struggling. I’ve offered my assistance, but I’m not sure what else I can do.

On a brighter note, Region 7 had a grand Ultreya on February 17, 2024. It was held in Titusville, FL on the east coast of the state. Representatives from 5 of the 6 secretariats attended. We expected approximately 150 people, but with the bad weather we still had about 100 people in attendance. We had a meet & greet time with a catered lunch from Sonny’s BBQ and a live band from Lighthouse VdC playing while we ate. Then we engaged in a “Sponsorship Exchange of Ideas” that proved to be very helpful. We ended our time together with a worship service led by Pastor John David Bryant from Sonshine North VdC.

One of our participants seems to think that organizations and things serve a purpose for a “time”. They ebb and flow, and maybe that’s what’s happening with this movement. I, however, cling to the hope that if we continue to do God’s work, He will direct our path and help us carry out the work He set forth for us to do. Keep the faith and hang in there.

God loves you and so do I,
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