

## **Prisons Committee (US) Report**

**April, 2008 - October, 2008**

To my GA Brothers and Sisters:

During the above period, the data collection activity continued. It is still a slow process, exacerbated by the fact that Trustees have been slow to respond to requests for information. Additionally, the proposed contact with the proper judicial personnel was hampered by the untimely illness of our primary intermediary, due to severe illness.

The following statistics represent the current status of GA meetings in Jails, institutions, and prisons in the US:

There are now 21 active meetings, including 8 which were added to the list during this period (3 from New York, 2 from Wisconsin, and 1 each from Indiana, Pennsylvania, and Washington state). Of these 8, the 2 from Wisconsin and 1 from Indiana are brand new meetings. The list of known meetings is attached and will be sent to ISO.

ISO sent out 4 Prison Starter Kits.

There are 12 potential meetings to be added, pending verification. Connecticut, Indiana, Nevada and New York each have 2, and Delaware, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, and South Dakota have 1.

ISO sent out 9 Prison Information Packages.

Plans for the next period include the continuation of information gathering and to hopefully make contact with the judicial, prosecutorial, and probation personnel so that they will become aware of our efforts and provide a method to disseminate this data through ISO.

Respectfully submitted

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