Hello, the IRC has been helping people try to set up meetings in countries that never had a meeting. Such as Cayman Islands and Guatemala. These people were very eager to learn and get started. Group forms have been sent and waiting for them to come back filled so I can forward to the ISO. Though Kenya had one meeting earlier, we helped them start two groups at the same time. Saturday and Sunday nights at the same location. They filled out the form correctly and a new group packet has been sent to each group. They are very encouraged with our assistance in this matter. Other countries with multiple groups have reached out for few groups to be started in new cities such as The Netherlands and Philippines. And an updated list of groups in the Philippines has be sent and our website has been updated.

We at the IRC have also been contacted by the international community with questions and request for sponsorship. I am very appreciative that one of our committee members has agreed to reach out and help sponsor this person in Latvia or have someone from his area (South Africa) do so. Another issue we were approached was about proof for people who have attended our GA meetings. We (a committee member and I) took time to explain the this person from Hungary about court cards and how they work.

We also were approached by a very desperate person who was suicidal from Macedonia. Of course this person did not have any meetings and expressed to me that there was nothing I or anyone could do. I tried to reach out to him again but have not heard back. All I could do at this time is pray for him.

It has been a busy month or so. Glad we are available to help the international community.

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