



Country Highlights - Denmark

1. Participation:

We have a lot of meetings in our country but very few groups with a group conscience. As a result of that the General Service Conference is a reflection of the few, rather than the fellowship as a whole in our country. Do you experience the same in your countries and what can we do to turn it around?

2. General Service:

We experience less interest for General Service. Both at regional level and at national level. What do your countries do to keep people involved in General Service?

We have a rotation policy in national committees of 6 years. The issue is when there is no one to rotate in and old members must rotate out. Currently we have had to close two national committees and convert them into a work-in-progress as a group working under the GSB. I ask this question to gather experience of how fellowships around the world encounter this contradiction; of having a rotation principle but not enough willing new members to make voluntary service work.

Also as mentioned in the first paragraph there are a lot of meetings – not so many groups, but they seem to be getting along fine without being involved at a regional level or national level. This means in principle the service platforms we operate in are not a reflection of the fellowship as a whole.

3. Service Structure:

With the growth of online meeting due to the pandemic – Where do they fit in the service structure? We have a structure based geographically. We are looking at all the experience on this matter from around the world and trying to find a structure that suits us. These people formed the online meetings as a direct result of the pandemic and have had growth because of the restrictions in our country. They did a service to the fellowship and we want to incorporate them in our structure as to give them a democratically voice and influence as they rightly should have. But should the desire to be included not come from them? What if we do all this only to find out that they, like so many other meetings, are doing just fine without being involved in General Service?