

II. Interesting Facts About the Jehovah's Witnesses

A. Service Year Report of Jehovah's Witnesses ^{Worldwide} (Jan. 1, 87)

1. Country or Territory - 208 countries
2. Average Publishers (active witnesses) - 3,063,289
3. % increase over 1985- 6.9
4. Number baptized - 225,863
5. Average Pioneer Publishers (persons who devote full time to witnessing and distributing literature) - 391,294
6. Number of congregations - 52,177
7. Total hours - 680,837,042
8. Average Bible Studies - 2,726,252
9. Memorial attendance - 8,160,597
10. Memorial Partakers Worldwide - 8927
11. Money spent in caring for special pioneers, missionaries, and traveling overseers in their field service assignments - \$23,545,801.70)

Note: (1) The January 1 issue of the Watchtower magazine has contained the "Service Year Report" for the preceding year since 1948)

- (2) The average number of publishers (active witnesses) in the U. S. for 1986 was 710,344.

This figure represents a little more than 23% of the publishers in the world during that year. Thus only a little more than 23% of the publishers were in the U.S. during 1986 whereas a little less than 77% of the publishers were in foreign countries. In other words, more than 75% of the Jehovah's Witnesses were outside the U.S.

- (3) The following foreign countries had more than 100,000 publishers in 1986:

- a. Mexico - 186,291
- b. Brazil - 185,126
- c. Italy - 134,677
- d. Nigeria 121,670
- e. Germany 116,152
- f. Japan 108,702
- g. Britain 101,863