

**The Update**  
**September-October**

**Twelve Concepts**

**Concept Six**

**“The Conference recognizes that the chief initiative and active responsibility in most world service matters should be executed by the trustee members of the Conference acting as the General Service Board.”**

**Just as the groups must as a practical matter delegate much of their authority to the Conference, so the Conference must delegate much of its authority to the Trustees; otherwise the Trustees would be unable to act in the absence of the Conference. In essence, AA acts like a corporation with the groups being stockholders who elect Delegates who act on their behalf at the “Annual Meeting” or Conference. The General Service Board Trustees are essentially the directors of the “holding company” that owns and controls the subsidiaries that actually carry on much of the work of AA.**

## **Concept Seven**

**“The Charter and Bylaws of The General Service Board are legal instruments, empowering the trustees to manage and conduct world service affairs. The Conference Charter is not a legal document; it relies upon tradition and the A.A. purse for final effectiveness..”**

**This concept first appears to set up a conflict – the trustees are given full authority, but the concept acknowledges that without the backing of the Conference and through it the funds and support of the local groups, the trustees could not, as a practical matter, go completely off on their own.**

## **Concept Eight**

**“The trustees are the principal planners and administrators of overall policy and finance. They have custodial oversight of the separately incorporated and constantly active services, exercising this through their ability to elect all the directors of these entities.”**

**This concept continues the defining of responsibilities and authority begun in the earlier concepts. It limits the role of the Trustees in the A.A. Grapevine, Inc. And A.A. World Services, to the kind of oversight achieved by electing the directors of those independent entities, but essentially discouraging them from playing day – to – day roles as active administrators or executives of those companies.**

## September Birthdays

<b>Chris T.</b>	<b>Beginners Reflection</b>	<b>September 1, 2013</b>
<b>Terry G.</b>	<b>Monday Morning</b>	<b>September 1, 2013</b>
<b>John E.</b>	<b>Monday Morning</b>	<b>September 1, 2012</b>
<b>Dan W.</b>	<b>Mens Group</b>	<b>September 1, 2004</b>
<b>Kelsy B.</b>	<b>Wednesday Night</b>	<b>September 1, 2015</b>
<b>Terry C.</b>		<b>September 1, 2013</b>
<b>Brian S.</b>	<b>Beginners Group</b>	<b>September 3, 1982</b>
<b>Pam F.</b>	<b>Watford Group</b>	<b>September 3, 2006</b>
<b>Laurie E.</b>	<b>Serenity by Lake</b>	<b>September 3, 2002</b>
<b>Lynn C.</b>	<b>Monday Morning</b>	<b>September 5, 2013</b>
<b>Joe B.</b>	<b>Came to Believe</b>	<b>September 6, 2005</b>
<b>Keith P.</b>	<b>Hub Group</b>	<b>September 8, 1997</b>
<b>Les S.</b>	<b>St. Georges</b>	<b>September 8, 2006</b>
<b>Steve O.</b>	<b>Mens Group</b>	<b>September 10, 2007</b>
<b>Danny S.</b>	<b>Wednesday Night</b>	<b>September 13,2004</b>
<b>Ken P.</b>	<b>Sunday Morning</b>	<b>September 17, 2000</b>
<b>Cecile B.</b>	<b>Freedom Group</b>	<b>September 18, 1974</b>
<b>Charlie K.</b>	<b>Wednesday Night</b>	<b>September 18,1997</b>
<b>Amy M.</b>	<b>Serenity by Lake</b>	<b>September 20, 2013</b>
<b>Pat B.</b>	<b>St. Georges</b>	<b>September 20, 1997</b>
<b>Ralph O.</b>	<b>Thedford Group</b>	<b>September 21, 2013</b>
<b>Elva M.</b>	<b>St. Georges</b>	<b>September 26, 1962</b>
<b>Jeff C.</b>	<b>Forest Lakeside</b>	<b>September 26, 2012</b>
<b>Melanie P.</b>	<b>Serenity Group</b>	<b>September 27, 2008</b>
<b>Len T.</b>	<b>Monday Morning</b>	<b>September 27, 1980</b>
<b>Randy P.</b>	<b>Hill St. Blues</b>	<b>September 28, 1977</b>
<b>Denise B.</b>	<b>Thedford Group</b>	<b>September 29, 2015</b>
<b>Lise A.</b>	<b>St. Georges</b>	<b>September 29,2007</b>

## October Birthdays

<b>Steve S.</b>	<b>Monday Morning</b>	<b>October 1, 2011</b>
<b>Simone B.</b>	<b>St. Georges</b>	<b>October 3, 2014</b>
<b>Damien N.</b>	<b>Sunday Morning</b>	<b>October 4, 2015</b>
<b>George W.</b>	<b>Sunday Morning</b>	<b>October 4, 2015</b>
<b>Chuck W.</b>	<b>Hill St. Blues</b>	<b>October 12, 2015</b>
<b>Cec C.</b>		<b>October 13, 1983</b>
<b>Paul S.</b>	<b>Hill St. Blues</b>	<b>October 14, 2013</b>
<b>Janet B.</b>	<b>Lambton Central</b>	<b>October 16, 2012</b>
<b>Jeff H.</b>	<b>Came to Believe</b>	<b>October 18, 2017</b>
<b>Amara M.</b>	<b>Wednesday Night</b>	<b>October 22, 2015</b>
<b>Laura C.</b>	<b>Sunday Morning</b>	<b>October 23, 2014</b>
<b>Lila B.</b>	<b>Hill St. Blues</b>	<b>October 23, 1988</b>
<b>Cathy D.</b>	<b>Freedom Group</b>	<b>October 24, 1992</b>
<b>Monica R.</b>	<b>St. Georges</b>	<b>October 25, 2004</b>
<b>Connor M.</b>	<b>Forest Lakeside</b>	<b>October 25, 2009</b>
<b>Samantha H.</b>	<b>Lake Huron</b>	<b>October 26, 2002</b>
<b>Don M.</b>	<b>Theford Group</b>	<b>October 28, 2011</b>
<b>Willie M.</b>	<b>Wednesday Night</b>	<b>October 31, 1982</b>