

Area Chair Report

NIA 20 Summer Committee Meeting

August 1st, 2026

Lord of Life Church

I would like to begin by thanking District 41 for hosting today's Summer Committee Meeting. We appreciate your willingness to host and your efforts to make today's meeting possible.

Since our Summer Assembly, there has not been a great deal of new business to report, but the work of the Area continues between our meetings.

Over the past several weeks, I met with the Report and Charter Committee to review the motions approved at the Summer Assembly. I also met with the other panelists who will be participating in a session at the upcoming Illinois State Conference as we prepared for that presentation.

Earlier this month, I had the opportunity to attend the East Central Regional Conference. It was a valuable opportunity to hear from trusted servants throughout the region, share experience, and strengthen our connection to the General Service structure beyond Northern Illinois. I look forward to representing our Area again on a panel at the Illinois State Conference later this month.

In addition to those meetings and events, I have continued responding to emails and phone calls from trusted servants and members throughout the Area. Much of the work of an Area Chair happens between our scheduled meetings through conversations, answering questions, and helping connect members with the information and resources they need. While that work may not always be visible, it remains an important part of serving the Fellowship.

As we prepare for the Fall Assembly, let's remember that people become involved in Area service because someone welcomed them, answered their questions, and encouraged them to participate. Each of us can help by making newcomers feel included, showing them how our service structure supports the Fellowship, and inviting them into service. Creating a welcoming environment is something we all share, and it is one of the strongest ways we can build future trusted servants and strengthen our Area.

My commitment as Area Chair remains to strengthen communication, encourage participation, and continue finding ways to support our districts and trusted servants in carrying A.A.'s message.

Please don't hesitate to contact me, and I look forward to visiting more districts in the future.

Aaron V.

NIA 20 Area Chair