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Ring in the New Year

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With deep gratitude we say farewell to two Associate Trustees who had already been reappointed twice: Carolyn Kendall and Kathleen Swadling.

Carolyn's historic perspectives, wise counsel, and years of experience made a significant contribution at our meetings. Kathleen blazed the book distribution path in Australia while managing our international expansion via the Foundation Representatives. Both of them always came to meetings prepared, thoughtful, energetic, loving, uncomplaining, and ready to work. We will miss their energy and devotion.

We now extend a warm welcome to our new Associates

René Hagensnaars from the Netherlands,
Sue Tennant from Canada.

In addition, the Board has reappointed Associate Trustees Nancy Shaffer and Jane Ploetz for the second time for this calendar year. We deeply appreciate the willingness of all the Associate Trustees to selflessly work at a time when the Board feels renewal, hopeful anticipation, and a growing sense of commitment to our tasks. They represent you at the table. Please feel free to get in touch with any or all of them with your comments and concerns so that we may be more aware of your ideas and views.

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