



# MORE ABOUT ARMS

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## WHAT IS ARMS?

The Amateur Radio Missionary Service is a fellowship of committed Christian radio amateurs and associates who are dedicated to serving missionaries, their families, friends and ministries.

ARMS is a non-denominational non-profit organization from all walks of life throughout the world.

It was founded March 2, 1957 at the Philadelphia School of the Bible, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. One of the early functions of ARMS was to provide phone patch communication between missionaries and their families and friends. With the advent of the Internet and mobile phones, that function has largely disappeared.

We still meet on the air for fellowship, to share Scripture and prayer concerns, to assist missionaries, and to present a positive witness for Christ on the amateur bands.

The ARMS motto is taken from the Bible in Galatians 6:10 "Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers."

Also, we see in 1Co 1:9: "God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord."

## INTERNET

ARMS maintains a Web site:

<http://www.ql.net/arms/>

Applications for membership can be found there as well as additional information about ARMS, its history, activities and membership.

A "chat room" is also available on the same site for those unable to get on the air.

## PUBLICATIONS

*The Beam* is the official newsletter of ARMS. It is published four times a year and contains news of interest from ARMS members, sections, net activities, and other information relating to radio and the work of missions. A *Directory* is also published regularly with contact information for the members.

An attractive certificate is issued to all ARMS members.

A tract entitled *Your Best Contact*, written by ARMS co-founder and first ARMS president Dr. William Mierop, K2JEI, is available in quantity. They are the approximate size of a QSL card and are available for the cost of mailing. Copies may be requested from the ARMS secretary.

Lapel pins and call letter/name tags are also available at cost. Details can be found on the Web page.

## MEMBERSHIP

Membership is open to any licensed amateur radio operator who is a believer in the Lord Jesus Christ as his own personal Savior from sin and who can subscribe to the Doctrinal Statement.

Each member is asked to contribute \$10.00 annually to assist with the costs of the organization. Membership runs from June 1 to May 31. Only one membership is needed per family.

Full time missionaries are extended FREE membership in ARMS, and communications from the missionary members are encouraged and when appropriate, shared with the membership.

## MEETINGS

Gatherings are held at the Section level for times of face-to-face fellowship and becoming better acquainted.

On occasions, a national convention is held for the entire membership to participate, including the election of our leadership..

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