What Is My Role In the Local Association?

Every Association is unique and each will have different expectations for those who serve on the leadership team. Below you will find some general responsibilities, some potential responsibilities and resources that are available to help you in your assignment. The Director of Missions will be your ultimate guide in understanding and executing your responsibilities within the Association.

In almost every situation you will be called on to promote the work and events that are related to your ministry assignment. If the Association is offering a training event related to your area of service, you will need to assist in promoting the event. Likewise, if the State partners with local Associations for training or an event, you will be called on to get the information out to leaders in the local churches.

Certainly you are expected to participate in all meetings and events related to the ministry you direct on behalf of the Association. This may be as a leader, assistant, or to be in attendance. Again, your DOM will make your exact role known to you.

Most likely you will be involved in preparing materials, resources, a labor force, etc. for any conference or event that is related to the ministry. Often a State Missionary will have resources available to assist you.

You may be asked to be involved in other aspects of the ministry. For example, you may be asked to plan and calendar events related to the ministry. Your DOM will make you aware of the expectations and introduce you to resources offered through the Ministry Catalog provided by the State Board of Missions.

Some Associations seek to be pro-active in contacting and assisting local churches. You may be asked to contact leaders from each church to discover how the Association can best meet their needs. You may be asked to obtain needed information from each church for the sake of reporting or to be an encourager to all churches in the Association. Again, this is different in every Association and your DOM will help you to know the best approach.

Some Associations conduct an annual training event or Key Leader conference. You may be asked to provide leadership in one of these events. You will discover resources in this packet to help you lead the event. You are often asked to give a report at the Association Annual Meeting and you will find a guide to that report in this packet as well.

Beyond what you discover in the packet, your additional resources for your area of service are: the DOM, your State Missionaries, and online resources found at www.alsbom.org/ssd.