Welcome to the October 2017 *Present Time*! Inside you'll find the new goals for the RC Community and some of the more important changes to the *Guidelines* adopted at the 2017 World Conference. There is also a Draft Policy for Care of the Environment, a Young People's and Young Adults' Strategic Plan, lots of news from Africa, and much more.

Amanda Martinez, who has laid out *Present Time* for the last eight years, has gone on to a new job. We thank her for her outstanding contribution. And we welcome Anthony Robles, whose excellent work is evident in this his first issue of *Present Time*.

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