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Dear brethren,

The Council of Senior Elders reminds those intending to visit or immigrate abroad, that they must have legal documentation, adequate financial provisions, climate appropriate clothing, housing and health and life insurance, for the duration of their temporary or permanent stay. This is required, so as not to inconvenience the brethren at their intended destination.

Some venture into foreign countries without knowing the language or having permission to remain legally. Many are deported upon arrival at the airport. Others enter as tourists but overstay their legal deadline, therefore becoming illegal aliens who are subject to arrest and deportation.

Some create a burden for the local brethren who are unable to host them.

We counsel anyone intending to immigrate, to consult their local ministry as well as the Brazilian ministry responsible for the Work of God at their intended destination, before taking any imprudent actions.

Similarly, we advise our non-Brazilian brethren who wish to visit or immigrate to Brazil, that they also have the required documentation and financial provisions for the duration of their stay. Doing so will avoid problems for themselves as well as the local brethren.

We advise anyone traveling abroad for tourism or other reasons, to consult with the Brazilian Elders with responsibility for the Work in that country. These brothers are familiar with the country and may provide useful information and guidance.

Lastly, anyone who has a ministry or position in their home country and travels abroad for personal reasons must not interfere with spiritual matters or schedule any spiritual commitments in the country they visit.

Your brothers in Christ,

**Council of Senior Elders**