

Dear Brethren,
The peace of God.

INTRODUCTION

THE CHRISTIAN CONGREGATION is a Christian religious community founded upon apostolic doctrine. The church is nonpolitical, nonpartisan, and nonprofit, and it has an unlimited number of members.

The Christian Congregation does not pay wages to any member of the ministry or to any administrative member installed according to the Bylaws (holders of offices or functions), except for hired employees. Instead, these brothers and sisters contribute to the Offerings as they purpose in their heart.

We thank God and our dear brethren for the faithfulness and effort shown. Through this, God has granted excellent fruit, made evident by the readiness to meet the needs that arise.
May our merciful Lord God continue to bless His people with temporal blessings and, above all, with eternal blessings.

OFFERINGS- CLARIFICATIONS

Article 7 of the Bylaws states that the Christian Congregation in Brazil receives its revenue through voluntary, anonymous Offerings and Collections. Although we take a **SINGLE COLLECTION**, we use it to support the Work of Piety, Missionary Trips, the Maintenance of Houses of Prayer, and the Purchase of Land and Construction:

- 1. Work of Piety** – We assist needy families who, in their difficulties, do not ask anyone but pray and cry out to God. In His mercy, God makes these needs known to the Deacons and to the sisters of the Work of Piety; and, by God's guidance, they provide the assistance needed.
- 2. Missionary Trips** – We cover travel costs for the various services in the Work of God (Baptisms, Holy Suppers, Meetings, Administrative Work, etc.), as the Regional Ministerial Meeting (RMM) considers necessary.
- 3. Maintenance of Houses of Prayer** – We pay electricity and water bills and provide hygiene materials, cleaning supplies, maintenance, administrative expenses, and other necessary items.
- 4. Purchase of Land and Construction** – As the Work of God grows, we must purchase land and build new houses of prayer, so we may serve localities where our brethren congregate in borrowed or rented rooms.

God provides the means to meet these needs through His people, whose hearts He inclines to serve Him. As we do not practice tithing, the brethren contribute to the Offerings in the amounts God makes each one feel, as announced in the holy services.

We use the Offerings exclusively to meet the needs listed above. Let us also remember that the Elders, Deacons, Helpers, and Statutory Administrators receive no salary; they, too, contribute to the Offerings and Collections.

**THEREFORE, LET US PRAY AND CONTRIBUTE TO THE OFFERINGS/COLLECTIONS AS INSTRUCTED BY
GOD IN OUR HEARTS.**

“Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come.”

(1 Corinthians 16:2, KJV)

“Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.”

(2 Corinthians 9:7, KJV)

Currently we have the following ways to participate in the Offerings and Collections:

**INSTANT TRANSFER, QR CODE, BANK DEPOSIT, DEBIT CARD, DEPOSIT IN COLLECTION BOX, BANK
TRANSFER**

Your brethren in Christ,

**Council of the Senior Elders
Council of Deacons**