

# TESTIGOS CRISTIANOS DE JEHOVÁ

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TO ALL BODIES OF ELDERS

Re: Photos of brothers who were conscientious objectors

Dear Brothers:

We are writing in connection with the compilation of historic data and photos of brothers who were conscientious objectors. We have received many replies to our letter SE:SSA, April 30 2019, in which we indicated what information and photographic material we needed.

However, in replying to our letter, various elders have asked additional questions. Therefore, we have prepared a document entitled “*Frequently Asked Questions*” since this information may be of help to all of you. We hope this helps clear any doubts you may have.

Thank you very much for your interest and attention to this additional information.

Your brothers,

*Testigos Cristianos de Jehová*

Attachment(s)

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Is it necessary to send the signed consent form by post if it has already been sent by e-mail?

Yes. For legal reasons, we need to keep the signed, original document here at the branch. Please keep in mind that this legal document should not be manipulated digitally nor should the signature be digitalized unless the brother has his signature registered with Hacienda.

If a brother was only imprisoned in Santa Catalina prison, should photos be sent of him?

Yes. The branch would like to have a record of each brother who was an objector in Spain. We would like photos of when he was a conscientious objector as well as a recent portrait of him. We do not require photographs of the actual prison of Santa Catalina. If a brother is not in good standing, there is no need to send his photograph.

What information do we need for each conscientious objector?

We need to know how many years he was imprisoned and in which prisons he was sent to.

Do we need to send information and photos of brothers who were conscientious objectors in other countries?

No. This project involves only the conscientious objection in Spain.

What should the recent portrait photograph of the brother be like?

We would like this photograph to be of good quality and taken with care because it will not only be stored in our archive, but will also be used in an exhibition. We cannot use any photographs that are of low resolution.

This may mean a new photograph needs to be taken. Perhaps a congregation meeting when the brother is dressed formally would be an ideal moment to take the photo with a good cellphone.

The photo example below can help guide the brother who will supply the portrait to know what style of portrait we are looking for. As you can see in the example, there is no-one else in the photograph, and there is no direct light that creates shadows in the face, or makes it difficult for the brother to have a natural expression. Also, this photograph is not a cropped version of a larger photograph where there are arms from other people.



It is advisable to do the photograph outside where there is better lighting. If possible, please avoid having distracting objects behind the brother. We recommend taking the photo in the shade, or on a cloudy day, so that there is less direct, strong light. This will help the brother have a natural smile.

Thank you very much for keeping in mind these ideas.

If you have already sent a recent photograph of the brother to the branch, but would like to send a new one in view of these instructions, you are more than welcome to send it to [inboxwrt.es@bethel.jw.org](mailto:inboxwrt.es@bethel.jw.org).