Announcement

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FOR ELDERS

1. **Use of Messaging Apps to Share Video Files:** Some publishers and interested ones have difficulty downloading or streaming audio and video files from jw.org (including JW Broadcasting) and downloading or streaming congregation meetings and circuit assemblies from JW Stream due to the large size of some files, the high cost of Internet service, or poor Internet connections. Congregations facing these challenges during the COVID-19 pandemic may assign an elder or a ministerial servant to download these files and then distribute them to individuals, either directly or through field service group overseers, using messaging apps, such as *WhatsApp*. Such messaging apps compress files to a smaller size so that they are less expensive to send and download to a mobile device. This may be particularly helpful in viewing the six sessions of the 2020 regional convention.