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Putin meets in Brasilia with church rector who converted from Catholicism to Orthodoxy



Russian President Vladimir Putin met with Father Francisco de Assis da Cruz Feitos, the rector of the Church of Our Lady the Odigitria in Brasilia, after attending a BRICS summit.

At the meeting, Putin asked the priest how it happened that he converted to Orthodoxy from Catholicism. The church rector told the Russian president that the reason was his wife, and they both converted to Orthodoxy.

"I felt that it is my true mission. I felt that Orthodoxy is something that guides me. I had been serving in the Greek Church for 15 years and have been a priest of the Russian Orthodox Church of the Moscow Patriarchate for the past six years," he said.

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