**SEMI-STRUCTURED INTERVIEW GUIDE**

**Interviews with church clergy and laity about woody plants within their church forests**

Cornell University IRB Protocol #1112002687

**Part I:** **Oral informed consent** (see recruitment and consent scripts)

**Part II: Free-listing to generate a list of plants growing within the church forest.**

* What trees or shrubs are found around your church?
* What vines or woody climbers are found around your church?
* Are there any other woody plants that are found around your church?

**Part III: Questions about plants used by church residents**

Note: Follow-up questions will be added to gain more in-depth information on each of these topics.

* Of the plants you have listed, which are the most important to the life of the church? Why?
* Did someone plant these plants or do they grow on their own? Do you or other church residents take care of them in any way?
* Are any of the plants that you have named used by church residents or visitors? How are they used? Which parts are used?
* Do any of the plants around the church have spiritual significance? [Provide examples]
* When was your church founded and constructed? Were any of the trees we see planted at that time?
* Does the church have historical records that contain pictures or drawings of plants? If you compare those records with the plants we see today, how have the plants around the church changed?
* In general, how have the plants around the church changed? What are the reasons for these changes?
* Does the church have any plans to plant more plants around the church? Which plants will be selected? Why?