

COMMISSIONING OF TERM MISSIONARIES

Dear Friends in Christ: It is in the name of our God who purposed for the whole world to know His saving grace that we greet you today. In obedience to His command we meet here for this short-term missions commissioning service.

As an evangelical denomination, we are persuaded that God would have all men to be saved and come to a knowledge of the truth. We further hold that Christ's death provides atonement for the sins of the whole world. We believe that this gospel should be proclaimed to every tribe and people.

(Name(s)) _____, you have been willing to respond to God's call to help make this truth known in _____.

We are grateful that (name of church) _____ has a share in this special service today. This body of believers will be a means of strengthening you and a source of great inspiration as you go to this assignment.

It is proper that you publicly proclaim your intentions in this commissioning service before these who are standing with you in this work.

1. Will you publicly now express your sincere desire to promote the love of Christ in _____ through this avenue of service?

If so, answer – THAT IS MY DESIRE.

2. Do you promise to guard yourself against all that is not in harmony with the teaching of God's Word?

If so, answer – I WILL DO SO WITH GOD'S HELP.

3. Will you strive to maintain a regular devotional life of Scripture reading and prayer in the conviction that this will enable you to be effective in this assignment?

If so, answer – I WILL STRIVE TO DO SO.

4. Will you be faithful and diligent in the exercises of all your duties, both public and private, laboring cheerfully by a Christ-like life? Will you exemplify Christian love among your fellow missionaries wherever you serve?

If so, answer – I WILL DO SO BY GOD'S GRACE

We now desire to commit you to the Lord's care and direction by prayer.

Pastor:

Your friends and loved ones have now shared in this short-term missions commissioning service for this assignment in _____. I would admonish you to encourage _____ (person(s)) in fervent prayer and faithful concern. May each of us give ourselves in the same way to the same joyful task of making Jesus Christ known in our culture. The Scriptures admonish us to "declare His glory among all the nations."

Testimony and appreciation: (Balance of program)