

TASK SUPPORT SERVICES

Administration

Lay Pastors

Worker's Reports

Loafers Report vs detailed response

Use primarily for times when pastor is requesting reimbursement

Hopefully reports can become meaningful

The important numbers

Traditional – Offerings = tithes, denominational offerings, Ingathering

Numbers = membership, clerks report stuff, baptisms, Sabbath

School numbers

Need attendance

How much pastor costs the field

Evaluation

Conflict Resolution

Liturgy (Services)

Organizing a Church

Church Organization

Ernie Furness

It is my responsibility to assist the Santa Ana Samoan Company in the process of becoming a church.

Dr. Lynn Malary, president of SECC and pastor of the Conference Church

Elder Rudy Bermudez, vice president for Asian/Pacific Ministries in SECC

Pastor Keni Rimoni, pastor of the Santa Ana Samoan Company

Brother Iosefa Papule, head elder of the Santa Ana Samoan Company

To you whom God has called to special ministries in His church, you represent various areas of God's work in this Conference and among the its sisterhood of churches. You are well aware of the Santa Ana Samoan Company and its desire to become a church.

Since the Santa Ana Samoan Company has completed all expectations for becoming a church, and since its' officers are named and voted and since its' elders and deacons are ordained and serve this community, if it is your will that we proceed with this company's organization into a church, please say AMEN.

Those of you who are members of this company of believers who wish to become charter members of this new church please stand and come to the front.

I now invite the church clerk to read aloud the names of all those who wish to become charter members of the Santa Ana Samoan Church

NAMES ARE READ

Members of the Santa Ana Samoan Company, if it is you desire to be members of this new church, please say AMEN!

President Malary, I am pleased to inform you that there is a new church in Southeastern California Conference. It is known as the Santa Ana Samoan Church. May God's rich blessing always be upon its members.

Please report this fact to the Conference Executive Committee and the all Conference churches when they meet for their next constituency session.

ORDINATION

Invitation to ordination

Invitation to Celebration

Ordination-Commissioning Service Michael Knecht and Tom Staples

We have gathered on this special occasion to celebrate the goodness and greatness of God.

Our focus is not on Michael Knecht and Tom Staples, though their presences is important to this ordination-commissioning service.

We are here to affirm God

By this service today, we recognize that God acts in our world and in our community by calling people to serve in ministry. We see God's acts in the call of Michael Knecht and Tom Staples to ministry. Today we set them apart for this work by the prayer of blessing and the laying on of hands.

Come now, All people of our God and King. Come let us worship. Let us proclaim God's presence. Lift up you're your voice as now we sing. Oh praise Him! Oh praise Him! Alleluia. Alleluia.

Hymn

Charge

The Charge

**Ordination-Commissioning Service
Michael Knecht and Tom Staples**

God has called you to the work of ministry. People have affirmed your call by acknowledging that ministry has happened in their midst. Today the church has recognized your call and has set you aside by the laying on of hands.

With this call comes a great responsibility. My part today is to remind you of this responsibility.

I commend to you the scripture; especially the words of Jesus. Allow them to be your charge to ministry. Sit often with the disciples on that ancient mountain as Jesus instructs them on what it means to minister. Allow that instruction to yours charge to ministry.

You are salt that can bring out the flavor of Christ's redemptive work. You are God's light to a darkened world. You are to be perfect as your heavenly father is perfect by mirroring His perfect love for all people. For God provides His good gifts for everyone Follow Jesus' instructions on how to pray. Be willing and ready to forgive. Then receive the forgiveness of God. Trust in heavenly things and not the things of this life. Strive for the kingdom of God and all your true needs will be provided. Ask and it will be given, search and you will find. All who hears and acts on Jesus' words are like the man who built his house on a rock. Let these words Jesus spoke to the first young Christian ministers be your charge as you continue your ministry.

Pattern your ministry after Jesus for you are asked to serve as His hands, His feet and His voice. Like Him, you are called to be servants. Like Him, you are to be teachers proclaiming God's love. Follow His example as a shepherd. Feed His sheep.

Know that among those you are called to serve is your own family. Make this a priority.

Now go to all the places you are called

Go and make disciples.

Go and baptize in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Go and teach the observance of all things.

Remember Jesus' promise, I am with you always

Ordination Prayers

Ordination-Commissioning Prayer

Mike Kim

5 August, 2000

Almighty God,

We come to you today in the name of Jesus your Son.

We gather as a congregation of your believers who recognize and affirm your call to ministry of one of our own.

We give you thanks for the gifts Christ has given your people making some apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastor-teachers to equip the saints for the work of ministry and for the building up of the church.

Therefore Father,

through Jesus Christ your son,
give your Holy Spirit to Mike Kim.

Fill him with your grace and with your power.

Set him apart by the laying on of hands for your ministry in your church.

Make Mike a faithful pastor
A patient teacher,
A wise councilor,
A student of your word.

Grant that in all things he may serve without reproach,
so that people may be strengthened and Your name be glorified.

Bless now Mike and Jeanne who have dared to offer themselves to your service.

Grant them your gifts, your love, and your continued blessing.

This we ask through Jesus Christ your Son and our Lord.

To You, our Father, be honor and power and glory in your church now and for ever more. Amen.

Ordination Prayer

Vaughan Grant

Most gracious God,

Who throughout all ages has called men and women to serve the ministry of your church.

You have called them to be your voice
in proclaiming your redemptive love
found only in our savior Jesus Christ.

Thank you for this glorious gift
to your church.

You have called Vaughan to your ministry.

He heard your call and has dared
to offer himself to your service.

We recognize this call,
for we have seen your ministry
expressed in the work he is doing.

Today, at your bidding,
we are here to set Vaughan apart
for this ministry in your church.

In your name, we extend our hands in blessing.

May your grace abundantly enrich him
and fill him in all that he does.

May your presence bring courage
and bring him encouragement

May your spirit guide . . .

That he may serve you

with a pure heart and a holy life.
That he may preach your word
with power.
That he may faithfully administer
your sacraments.
That he may be your healing voice
to a suffering world.
And that in all things he may be
your good and faithful steward.

Through him may your name be honored
and your church be served.

Help us, your people,
to accept him gladly,
encourage him always,
and respect him
for the sake of your precious Son, our Lord,
in whose name we pray. Amen.

Welcome to Ministry

INVITATION TO CELEBRATION

We have gathered this morning to celebrate.

This is **not** a celebration
for **Amilton Betran**,
through his presence today is significant,
and we affirm his ministry.

Today we have gathered to celebrate
the great acts of God.

We celebrate God
who is present in our lives and our churches.

We celebrate God
who directs us in our missions to the world.

We celebrate God
who calls women and men to ministry.

We celebrate God
who allows us to experience
and recognize this special ministry.

Today, we honor God
and **God's** choice of **Amilton Betran** for ministry

Come now,
O people of God,
Come, join, sing, and praise our Holy God
who calls women and men to ministry and who continually acts in behalf of his people

Come now,

sing to your **Holy Lord God Almighty. May your song of praise rise to Him
who is merciful and mighty
To our God in three persons
blessed trinity.
the King of creation!**

WELCOME

Elder Betran, it is my privilege to welcome you into the ranks of the gospel ministry.

I welcome you on behalf of the Southeastern California Conference.

Be loyal to its leadership.

Make use of its services and resources to assist you in your work.

I welcome you on behalf of the world church.

Never loose sight of its mission of having “*an everlasting gospel to preach to every nation, tribe, tongue, and people.*”

I welcome you on behalf of all ministers who are your partners in ministry.

They indeed understand the issues and joys that come to you in the worked you face.

Choose one as your pastor.

Allow them to minister to you.

Now hear all the ministers present as they voice their support of you and your ministry with a strong AMEN!

I welcome you on behalf of the congregations you will serve.

Much is expected of you.

Remember, they are partners with you in prayer. They are co-workers in soul-winning.

Hear from all those who are present as they voice their support of you and your ministry with a strong AMEN!

I welcome you on behalf of Jesus Christ who set apart people for service in his church.

You are his hands, his feet, and his voice. In all your ministry, clearly proclaim, “**Jesus is Lord**”

For you are called to serve him until you hear his invitation, “enter into the joy of your Lord.”

Prayer Breakfast

Installation of a pastor

Prayer of Installation

Derek Morris
Calimasa SDA Church

Our merciful Father in heaven,

we thank you that you have provided
faithful and gifted people to serve as pastors.

As Derek assumes responsibilities,
fill him with your Spirit,
endow him with your wisdom,
and grant him strength.

Make him a faithful worker in this place

Under his guidance
may your church grow in every spiritual grace,
in faith which is open and unashamed,
and in the committed service that promotes your reign in the world.

Help him to perform his duties with enthusiasm and humility.

In his work,
grant him a sense of sustained awe
which is rooted in daily adoration of you, his Lord.

Through him may your name be honored;
may this church be served.

May your presence be with Bodil and Jonathan as they ministers alongside Derek.
Grant them courage and understanding.
Surround them with your love.
May you always be their support as they serve in this place.

Help us, your people,
to accept him gladly,
encourage him always,
and respect him for the sake of your precious Son,
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Installation of an associate pastor

PRAYERS

O Creator and Mighty God
you have promised

strength for the weak,
rest for the laborers,
light for the way,
help from above,
unfailing sympathy,
undying love.

O Creator and Mighty God,
help us to continue in your promises.

That we
may be strong and courageous,
and that
we may not be frightened and dismayed
For you Lord are with us
where ever we may go.

Amen.

Prayer at Funeral of Beth Sanker

Lord of life, Lord of death . . .

You told us that death is not the end.
That beyond the grave is the resurrection.

Yet you wept at the side of a grave.
And you understand our grief.

You lead us now through no darker rooms than you went through before.

Just now

we feel the keen grief that death brings
we look to you for comfort and understanding

We gather today to give you thanks for the life,
the ministry, and the witness of Beth Sanker

Help us to be present to Eddie and his family so that the sadness of death will not overwhelm.

May the formulas we use at such times
—“I am so sorry to hear about your mother”—
be more than cliches,
by making us your presence.

May we be your voice of courage,
your arms of support,
and your words of hope.

Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ our Lord who is the resurrection and the life.

At Prayer Breakfast
Almighty God

In the beginning you created through your Word.

You created us with language,
giving us life,
giving us prayer,
giving us thought.

Make all our thinking, jumbled as it is,
prayer,
so that we may be brought back to the love and eloquence of your creation.

Too often we use your words to make noise.

We call this noise theology.

Humble us so that our words will truly be service to one another, your church, and for the building of your kingdom.

Please teach us to pray so we might speak.

Amen.

Based on a prayer of Stanley Hauerwas