

The League Commissioning service

I. Introduction: League Commissioner

For the last few months you have been preparing to serve as coaches in our League. Tonight is special as this is our way of sending you out as coaches to go and make disciples of here in our church body and wherever the Lord leads you.

Before we get into the actual commissioning portion of this service, I wanted to share with you why commissioning is important.

- **Visibility** – We desire to commission you as coaches in order to bring visibility to the discipleship process as it has unfolded in our church. So know that as you take on this journey, there will be more people to recognize you as a leader and disciple in the body of Christ.
- **Ownership** – The people that you seek to disciple from this day forward, most recognizably through the League, in some respects will be your spiritual children. As your ministry unfolds even more going forward, that ownership will be affirmed over and over again as you engage others in the discipleship journey.
- **Connection** – Always remember that you are a part of the body of Christ as a leader and coach. You are not your own as Scripture tells us, but also you are not alone. So we stand not apart from you today as coaches, but with you to encourage you in moving forward.
- **Beginning** – Though your walk with Christ began at salvation we hope this will be a spiritual marker that serves as a “starting point” for your time as a coach.
- **Affirmation** – It’s important for you to hear that the church affirms the character and qualifications of you as coaches and we declare your fitness, skills, and suitability for this position.
- **Inspiration** – Though this marks a beginning may this be a time of challenge and motivation to always be aware how God might desire to use you beyond Men’s League, and to submit to that calling whatever it is.

1. **Prayer**
2. **Scripture and Brief Message**
3. **Charge to the Coaches**

Question: “Do you submit to the supreme authority of our Lord Jesus Christ and His commissioning of His church to make disciples of all nations, and do you gladly receive that commission, trusting in His strength, determined to faithfully obey His command?”

Question: “Do you promise to be faithful in prayer and the study of the Scriptures, to labor in love and loyalty with your fellow workers in the building up of the body of Christ and to walk worthy of your high calling in word and deed?”

- 4. Introduction of pins: Symbolism shared**
- 5. Presentation of pins**
- 6. Final Words**

As you go from here may this night be a spiritual marker in your walk with Christ to know that you have a church and other coaches that are standing here with you, ready to walk arm in arm and make disciples.

May your bond grow, not just among one another, but through the spiritual children that you lead.

May we adhere as a group to our main mission from the Great Commission to “make disciples.”

II. Dismissal