

LETTER TO CALLING CONGREGATION ACKNOWLEDGING CALL

Dear Members of (name) congregation:

Greetings in the name of Him who is the Head of the Church, Jesus Christ, our risen and victorious Savior.

Receiving the call to (name) congregation is at once an exciting and a humbling experience. Thank you for your confidence that I could serve you well as your pastor.

The call documents and accompanying materials have arrived and I am in the process of reviewing them. The information they provide will be most helpful in forming a picture of the congregation and its mission. I will be in contact with you soon to discuss the arrangements for a visit. I am looking forward to learning even more about the people and ministry of (name) .

I pledge myself to give the most serious consideration to your call. As you sought the leading of the Holy Spirit in extending this call, so now I implore the same Spirit to guide me in my deliberations so that the will of God for His Church might be done. I hope to reach a decision within three or four weeks. Please remember myself and my family in your prayers, as we include you in ours.

With you in His service,

 (signed)

cc: (both district presidents)

cc: (both circuit visitors)

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