Sermon



New Territory



Strike Gold



Circle Waggons

Commissioning

Eternal God, in your love you pour out upon us gifts of your Spirit that we may share your Gospel in every place and with all people. Look now on your servant Charmaine whom we are to commission in your Name, that she may make your grace and glory known among those people to whom she is called and sent; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The presiding minister says to the people: Sisters and brothers, I present to you Charmaine, who is already engaged in a pioneering ministry. We are now to commission her as a pioneer in this Church. The work to which Charmaine is appointed is particularly concerned with pioneering our existing Lantern Group and pioneering our new Open Mind Group.







Charmaine we rejoice that you exercise these ministries as part of the wider life and mission of the Church. As you know, the demands of this ministry upon you and those close to you are great, yet in it all, the Holy Spirit sustains you by his grace.

Do you believe that you are called by God to share in mission as a pioneer?

Answer: I do.

Will you be a sign of God's call to holy living, seeking new ways to relate to the people of the community you serve? Answer: With God's help I will.

Will you be rooted in the Gospel and faithful in prayer? Answer: With God's help I will.

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Will you attend to the rhythms of grace, taking time to listen, to reflect and to retreat as well as to speak and to act? Answer: With God's help I will. Will you work to build Christian community with others, so that together you may grow as disciples of Jesus Christ? Answer: With God's help I will.

The presiding minister says:

Let us pray.

Faithful God, we thank you that Charmaine has offered herself as a pioneer for your Church. Uphold her with your grace and enable her by your Spirit, that through her ministry your love may be shared and your name may be glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** A Circuit Steward says to the people:

Sisters and brothers, will you welcome Charmaine, and will you offer her your friendship, encouragement and prayers in the work to which God has called her? With God's help, we will.

The Presentation by presiding minister and senior Church Steward