

ORDINATION FOR A PASTOR

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Praise and Worship

Tithes and Offerings Received

Welcome to the service by the present pastor or elder, a brief description of the original vision of the church and its ministry, an introduction of the person to be ordained, and an explanation of the role of the apostolic ministry called upon to conduct the ordination.

Preaching of the Word (by the apostolic ministry).

1. *Mk 3:13-15* He called those He chose that they might be with Him and that He might send them out to preach, heal sickness, and cast out demons.
2. Responsibilities of those called by the Lord into the office of Pastor, (and to all those called to shepherd others), *1Tim 3:1-7, Tit 1:5-9, 1Pet 5:1-4*.
By the grace of God and the enabling of the Holy Spirit those called to pastor are required to:
 - a. maintain a close personal walk with God in prayer, in the Word of God, in faith, obedience, and holiness of life.
 - b. labour diligently in preparing the Word of God to feed God's people.
 - c. pray effectively in faith, for the people of God regularly.
 - d. visit the sick, poor and needy believers and bring to them the hope and ministry of the Holy Spirit and God's Word.
 - e. order the home and family life as an example of Christ-like living.
 - f. walk in unity with other leaders of the Body of Christ.
 - g. walk in humble servanthood among God's people with the authority of Christ and the anointing of the Holy Spirit.

(Another passage that is appropriate to an ordination is *Num 27:15-23*).

Hymn

Questions addressed to the person being ordained and his wife, (standing together at the front of the congregation).

1. Do you believe that you are called by the Holy Spirit and the Lord Jesus Christ to take this office and ministry?
Answer:
2. Do you truly believe all the Word of God and will you diligently teach it to God's people?
Answer:
3. Will you faithfully admonish those who go astray and strongly stand against those who seek to bring into the church false teaching?
Answer:
4. By God's grace will you deny ungodliness and sin, and live a clean, holy life as an example to the people?
Answer:

Verses of Scripture: *Ac 20:17,28, 2Cor 4:5-7, Josh 1:8,9, Ac 26:16-18.*

Laying on of hands and prayer (by the apostolic ministry and present leaders).

Pastor _____ (and his wife), we, as part of the Presbytery of the Body of Christ do now lay our hands on you, setting you apart for the ministry whereunto God has already called you. Receive the power and anointing of the Holy Spirit for this office in the church. Receive the gift of wisdom and the gifts of the Holy Spirit to equip you for this ministry. Receive authority and anointing to preach and teach the Word of God and to lead the church in the ways of God, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Prayer by other leaders with prophetic ministry

Hymn and Benediction

[A service ordaining Mike and Allison Shaw as Senior Pastor of Kaikohe CF using this outline, was conducted at Kaikohe East School Hall on 26/1/92.]