



COMMISSIONING INFORMATION & FORMAT

Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ

Youth or adults who want to dedicate themselves anew to God's work, especially His work through O AFC, may be commissioned as Ongoing Ambassadors for Christ. They pledge to strive to live their Christian life in some practical ways. These requirements must be met before a person may be commissioned:

1. Be a confirmed member of a member congregation of the LC-MS
1. Have attended at least two complete O AFC weekends.
2. Know all 3 basic witnessing methods, and have led a call.
3. Have signed the commissioning form and have his parents or guardian sign it also if he is under 18 years of age.
4. Make this commitment for one year. At that time he may prayerfully consider being recommissioned.
5. Be commissioned publicly.

WHEN TO COMMISSION: Those who desire to be commissioned and who have met the requirements should whenever possible be commissioned during or immediately following one of the Sunday services. If circumstances require, commissioning can be done Saturday evening as part of the Ambassadors' closing devotion, or publicly in the Ambassador's home church at any time. If the host pastor is not present on Saturday evening, the O AFC Director could do the commissioning.

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PASTOR: (names) _____, you desire to be commissioned as an Ongoing Ambassador for Christ. This is a commitment, not to an organization, but to God - that He would use you and cause you to grow as His witness in your individual life and in your involvement with O AFC. As your commissioning pledge reads:

That I might be more effective in being used to lead people to Christ and into the church, I pledge myself to STRIVE to do the following as God empowers me:

1. Give all glory to Jesus who died for me that I can live eternally.
2. Pray daily for the Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ youth, leaders, and supporters.
3. Pray for the lost and to lead at least one to Christ and into membership of my church.
4. Read my Bible, pray and witness daily for spiritual strength.
5. Attend my local church, its Bible classes and the Lord's Supper at every opportunity.
6. Attend all future O AFC programs in my area.
7. Be a supporter of O AFC through the Ambassador's Circle.
8. Pray for and live to improve the spiritual growth of my family.
9. Bring at least one recruit to each future O AFC weekend.
10. Live a Christ-centered life to the glory of God, my church and my generation.

Do you pledge yourself to strive to do these things with the help of God? if so, answer "Yes, with the help of God."

AMBASSADORS: Yes, with the help of God.

PASTOR: I now commission you as (an) Ongoing Ambassador(s) for Christ.

A short prayer may follow, such as:

PASTOR: Heavenly Father, thank you for sending Jesus to give His life on the cross for all our sins; for calling us to be your children; and for giving us the assurance of everlasting life in heaven through Jesus Christ. Thank You for these individuals (may name them) who wish to dedicate themselves anew to your church's work of spreading the Gospel to every soul on earth. Empower them, give them boldness and courage, and fill them with your love. Help them to joyfully and faithfully serve You as an Ongoing Ambassador and at home, school, church, work, or wherever they may be. Give them grace to glorify You all the days of their life until You call them home to yourself. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.