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The Visitors assemble before the Minister who first addresses the congregation:

Those members of our church family who are to be commissioned as stewardship visitors will call on you at home in order to invite you to think afresh about your personal discipleship and your financial support for the work of the Church in this place. As they are sent out to undertake this ministry, which is a part of their own stewardship response, will you support them with your prayers, encourage them in their work and make them welcome when they visit your homes?

We will, with God's help

The Minister then addresses the Visitors

The task which you are to undertake in visiting the homes of your fellow Christians, those who share with you in the life of God's people in this place, is a ministry of our Church, and a trust from God.

You are to help us see afresh our value in the sight of God and in the life of the Church. You are to encourage us to know that it is our duty and our joy to respond to the grace filled giving and abundant love of God from what we have: the gifts that God has given us. Will you undertake this task, having made your own response, prayerfully, sensitively and joyfully in Christ's name,

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I commission you in the name of Jesus Christ. May he bless you and your work.

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