

MEMBERSHIP CHECKLIST

1. I believe the Bible is the inspired Word of God.
_____ YES _____ NO
2. I believe that God is a single, unified being in three persons; the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. All are different, yet they work together.
_____ YES _____ NO
3. I believe salvation is made possible for all through Jesus' death, the only sacrifice for our sins.
_____ YES _____ NO
4. I have made a personal profession of faith in Jesus Christ and am in the process of separating myself from evil and dedicating myself to God.
_____ YES _____ NO
5. I believe those who repent of their sins and believe in Jesus Christ as Savior should be baptized (immersed) with water.
_____ YES _____ NO
6. I have been baptized by immersion.
_____ YES _____ NO
7. I have received the infilling of the Holy Spirit as evidenced by speaking in other tongues.
_____ YES _____ NO
- If no, I am willing to attend a class to receive further teaching on this aspect of the Christian Life.
_____ YES _____ NO
8. I believe that all believers are directed to seek this blessing as a normal part of Christian life and service.
_____ YES _____ NO
9. I believe that the Scripture encourages us to pray for the healing of those that are sick but praying for healing does not rule out modern medicine.
_____ YES _____ NO
10. I believe that Christ will come again, and that the living and resurrected believers will be taken up to Christ.
_____ YES _____ NO
11. I believe that supporting the local church through tithes and offerings is a scriptural principle.
_____ YES _____ NO
12. I believe in the mission of this congregation and will commit myself to doing my part to "Be a Leader In Impacting My Community For Christ."
_____ YES _____ NO

Name _____

SPIRITUAL GIFTS INVENTORY

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Respond to the statements on the Spiritual Gifts Inventory following the instructions printed at the top. Do not spend a lot of time on each statement.
2. When you have responded to the 100 statements, then transfer your responses to the Tabulation Chart and total the numbers, following the instructions on the chart.
3. When you have tabulated your responses, you will note that a few of the totals are probably higher than the others. Match the highest three to five numbers with the corresponding spiritual gifts from the ABC List. For example, Row A on the Tabulation Chart corresponds to "A" on the ABC List, which is Word of Wisdom. "B" is Word of Knowledge, etc. The ones that have the highest numbers are probably your areas of giftedness.
4. Record your three to five highest gifts on the report form, making one copy for yourself and one copy for the church. Tear off the bottom half and turn it in when you have finished.

SPIRITUAL GIFTS INVENTORY

Instructions: Read each of the following statements and apply it to yourself, marking to what extent is true of your life, MUCH, SOMEWHAT, LITTLE or NOT AT ALL. If it is MUCH, circle number 3; if it is SOMEWHAT, circle number 2; if it is LITTLE, circle number 1; if it is NOT AT ALL, circle zero. There is no such thing as a wrong answer. It is unlikely that the typical person will have a great many 3's or 0's. For the results of the questionnaire to be valid and helpful, you must be completely forthright. Do not mark things as you think they ought to be or as you would like them to be; mark them as they have been up to now.

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| 1. | I feel confident that I have made application of spiritual truth to my own life in significant ways. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 2. | I have received impressions about things in a person's life that I could not have known by natural means. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 3. | When a group is facing a decision, they look to me for vision and direction. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 4. | I have laid hands on people and have seen them healed. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 5. | I firmly believe that miracles ought to be more commonplace than they are at present. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 6. | I sometimes feel that I receive insights that, if shared with others, would build them up or comfort them. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 7. | My fellow Christians have commented on my ability to spot fakes and phonies more readily than most. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 8. | I have spoken in tongues other than when I received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 9. | At times when someone speaks in tongues in a public service, it seems I understand the message that is being communicated before anyone interprets it. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 10. | I have taken the load off leaders in the church by doing things for them so they can do their job better. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 11. | I receive feedback from others about my ability to help them learn life-affecting biblical truth. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |

12.	I have spoken words that encouraged the weak, afflicted or discouraged.	3	2	1	0
13.	I have the ability to manage money well in order to give liberally to God and the church.	3	2	1	0
14.	I am probably more task-oriented than people-oriented.	3	2	1	0
15.	I notice when a group is disorganized and I suggest ways to get things done.	3	2	1	0
16.	I actively seek opportunities to help sick or disturbed people so their suffering will be less.	3	2	1	0
17.	I have helped others to put their faith in Christ for salvation.	3	2	1	0
18.	I have related to a group of people over a period of time, sharing their successes and failures, and have enjoyed it.	3	2	1	0
19.	I have frequent guests in my home; people passing through know I enjoy having them stay with me.	3	2	1	0
20.	I pray for at least an hour on most days.	3	2	1	0
21.	Problems that to others seem too complex to deal with are rather easy for me to solve.	3	2	1	0
22.	I have told others things about themselves that they say have helped them draw closer to God.	3	2	1	0
23.	I have believed God for something that people thought was impossible and I have seen it happen.	3	2	1	0
24.	I believe that it is God's will to heal people most of the time.	3	2	1	0
25.	As a result of prayer, miracles have taken place.	3	2	1	0
26.	By the help of the Lord, I have revealed specific things that later came true.	3	2	1	0
27.	I can see clearly when the Holy Spirit rests on people from time to time.	3	2	1	0
28.	I have given out a message in tongues that has been interpreted.	3	2	1	0
29.	I have interpreted a message in tongues that brought edification, exhortation or comfort.	3	2	1	0
30.	People tell me that I have helped them become more effective in their work for God.	3	2	1	0
31.	I have no difficulty explaining to others what the New Testament teaches about the Christian lifestyle.	3	2	1	0
32.	I have the ability to say the right thing that causes people to be motivated to get involved in God's work.	3	2	1	0

33.	The church records show that I give more than 10% of my income to the work of the Lord.	3	2	1	0
34.	Other people evidence confidence in my ability and they readily follow my leadership.	3	2	1	0
35.	For me it is easy to handle the detailed planning and organizing of events and I enjoy doing it.	3	2	1	0
36.	I have taken care of others when they have had sickness or hard times.	3	2	1	0
37.	I enjoy sharing with non-believers my testimony of how Christ changed my life.	3	2	1	0
38.	To me it is no burden to assume responsibility for the spiritual care of a group of people.	3	2	1	0
39.	I am always included on the work team when the church has suppers or social events and I enjoy it.	3	2	1	0
40.	When someone shares a prayer request with me, I pray for it for several days afterward.	3	2	1	0
41.	People have told me that the counsel I gave them from the Bible was helpful and timely.	3	2	1	0
42.	I have received sudden insight, causing me to believe, "This is what God wants to do in this situation."	3	2	1	0
43.	I have had people tell me, "It's obvious that you have great faith in God."	3	2	1	0
44.	People have told me that they were healed of an emotional problem when I prayed with them.	3	2	1	0
45.	God works through me to bring about the miraculous in people's lives.	3	2	1	0
46.	Others have confirmed to me that I have spoken messages from God in a timely and urgent manner.	3	2	1	0
47.	I have a high degree of confidence in knowing if a certain person is oppressed by an evil spirit.	3	2	1	0
48.	I speak to God in a language I have never learned.	3	2	1	0
49.	I pray that God will use me to give the interpretation when someone speaks in tongues.	3	2	1	0
50.	I enjoy doing what others may call routine work around the church if it helps someone else be more productive with their time.	3	2	1	0
51.	I spend large amounts of time learning spiritual truth that I would	3	2	1	0

like to share with others.

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| 52. | People seek me out when they are troubled or upset, and they later tell me that my counsel has been helpful. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 53. | When I get a request for money that I sense is a genuine need, I somehow come up with the money. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 54. | I set goals which other people readily accept and help to achieve. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 55. | When a group wants to accomplish something, they often look to me for planning to get it done. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 56. | I get a lot of pleasure and satisfaction out of visiting people in hospitals and nursing homes. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 57. | Non-Christians say that I have a positive affect on them, moving them toward God. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 58. | I am comfortable giving spiritual guidance and direction to a group of Christians. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 59. | People who come to my house remark that they 'feel very much at home' when they are there. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 60. | There is seldom a day when I miss praying for an extended period. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 61. | People have observed that the advice I give them or others is always on-target. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 62. | I have experienced God telling me what is wrong with a person while I am praying for him or her. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 63. | At times I have understood what God wanted to do, even when those around me were unsure. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 64. | I have anointed people with oil and prayed and God has healed them. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 65. | Supernatural change has happened in peoples' lives when I have prayed for them. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 66. | I have a strong sense of what God wants to say to individuals and groups in particular situations. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 67. | I have experienced God telling me what was wrong with a person while I was praying for him or her. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 68. | I always expect a message that I speak in tongues to the church to be interpreted. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 69. | People have been blessed when I interpreted a message in tongues. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 70. | I would rather be a helper than a leader. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |

71.	I enjoy communicating facts and knowledge to people in a systematic, logical way.	3	2	1	0
72.	I enjoy counseling people.	3	2	1	0
73.	I have the ability to make wise purchases and investments	3	2	1	0
74.	I have the ability to see the overall picture and clarify long-term goals.	3	2	1	0
75.	I like clear lines of responsibility and authority.	3	2	1	0
76.	I am sensitive to words and actions that hurt other people.	3	2	1	0
77.	I believe that if a Christian isn't always actively sharing his faith with the lost, something is wrong.	3	2	1	0
78.	I have helped fellow believers over a period of time by counseling them and praying for them.	3	2	1	0
79.	I love to entertain people in my home.	3	2	1	0
80.	Others tell me that the prayers I pray for them are often answered.	3	2	1	0
81.	I feel confident in my ability to make correct decisions.	3	2	1	0
82.	Specific words of reproof or correction for other people have come to my mind.	3	2	1	0
83.	I am a person of unusual vision.	3	2	1	0
84.	Often when I pray for people, either I or they may feel a warm or tingling sensation.	3	2	1	0
85.	A blind, deaf or lame person has been healed when I prayed the prayer of faith.	3	2	1	0
86.	I have a deep zeal for God, the church and the things of God, and I don't mind speaking out about it.	3	2	1	0
87.	When someone speaks in tongues, I can tell if it is from God or from human origin.	3	2	1	0
88.	When I speak in tongues, I believe it is edifying for the church.	3	2	1	0
89.	When I have interpreted a message in tongues, it seemed that the message came directly from God.	3	2	1	0
90.	I really don't care who gets the credit when I do something for God.	3	2	1	0
91.	I particularly enjoy doing word studies in the Bible and sharing with people what I have learned.	3	2	1	0
92.	I enjoy talking to troubled, discouraged people to encourage them to live victoriously.	3	2	1	0

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| 93. | I strongly believe that all the money I make belongs to God and I am just a channel. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 94. | I enjoy delegating tasks and supervising people. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 95. | I enjoy designing steps that help solve a problem. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 96. | I am drawn to hurting people. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 97. | I like to spend time with non-believers, because it gives me the opportunity of witnessing to them about Christ. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 98. | I am more people-oriented than task-oriented. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 99. | I have desired to open my home to people in the Lord's work when it is needed. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 100. | Of all the things that Christians do, I would rather pray than anything else. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |

SPIRITUAL GIFTS INVENTORY

Tabulation Chart

On the chart below, enter the number 3, 2, 1, or 0 next to the number of the corresponding statement. When all numbers are entered, total each row (left to right). Write in the name of the gift from the ABC list of spiritual gifts. The ones with the highest numbers may possibly be the areas in which you are gifted.

Rows	Answers					Total	Gift
A	1	21	41	61	81		
B	2	22	42	62	82		
C	3	23	43	63	83		
D	4	24	44	64	84		
E	5	25	45	65	85		
F	6	26	46	66	86		
G	7	27	47	67	87		
H	8	28	48	68	88		
I	9	29	49	69	89		
J	10	30	50	70	90		
K	11	31	51	71	91		
L	12	32	52	72	92		
M	13	33	53	73	93		
N	14	34	54	74	94		
O	15	35	55	75	95		
P	16	36	56	76	96		
Q	17	37	57	77	97		
R	18	38	58	78	98		
S	19	39	59	79	99		
T	20	40	60	80	100		

ABC LIST OF SPIRITUAL GIFTS AND BIBLICAL REFERENCES

- A. Word of Wisdom The ability to know the mind of the Spirit in a situation and to communicate clearly the insight necessary to meet the need of the situation. Jn8.7/1Cr2.1-13/Ac6.3,10/Js1.5,6/2Pt3/15-6
- B. Word of Knowledge The ability to receive divinely revealed information that could not be known by natural processes. 2K6.9-12/Mt17.27/Ac10.17-23/2Cr11.6/Co2.2,3
- C. Faith The ability to see God's will for the future and to trust Him to bring it to pass. Jn11.43/Ac21.9-14/1Cr12.9/He11
- D. Healing The ability to serve as God's intermediary to bring healing, normally by other than natural means. Ac3.1-10/Ac14.8-10/Ac28.8/1Cr12.9,28
- E. Miracles The ability to serve as God's intermediary to perform seemingly supernatural acts that appear to violate natural law in order to bring glory to God. Mt8.24-26/Ac16.16-18/ac20.7-12/2Cr12.12
- F. Prophecy The ability to receive and to communicate a direct message from God. Ac18.9/21.9-11/Rm12.6/1Cr12.10,20/1Cr14
- G. Discernment The ability to perceive the motivation spirit behind certain words or acts. Mt16.23/Ac5.1-11/16.16-18/1Cr14.29/ 1Jn4.1-6
- H. Tongues The ability to receive and to communicate a direct message from God by means of an utterance in a language not known to the speaker. 1Cr.12.12,29/14-19
- I. Interpretation Of Tongues The ability to make known in the vernacular of the hearers an inspired message in tongues not understood by them. 1Cr12.10,30/14.13/14.26-28
- J. Helps/Service The ability to invest time and energy unselfishly in performing tasks for God's work, often to assist other gifted individuals by freeing them to dedicate all their time to their primary ministry. Mk15.40-1/Lk8.2,3/Ac9.36/Rm16.1,2/1Cr12.28
- K. Teaching The ability to master and communicate truth in such a manner that others will learn. Mt5-7/Ac18.24-8/Rm12.7/1Cr12.28
- L. Exhortation The ability to motivate people to action, encourage them or comfort them. Ac11.23/14.22/Rm15.30/1Tm4.13/He10.25
- M. Giving The ability to earn money and give it cheerfully and willingly to meet the needs of God's work. Mt12.41-44/Rm12.8/2Cr8.1-7/9.2-9
- N. Leadership The ability to envision God's desired future, communicate the vision to others and motivate them to work together to achieve it. Lk9.51/Ac7.10/Rm12.8/1Tm5.17/He1.17
- O. Administration The ability to devise, manage and execute plans to achieve goals and purposes. Lk14.28-30/Ac6.1-7/27.11/1Cr12.28/Ti1.5
- P. Mercy The ability to empathize with those in need and to demonstrate caring by appropriate action on behalf of the suffering. Mk.9.41/Ac9.36/Ac16.33-4/Rm12.8
- Q. Evangelism The ability to share the Gospel with non-believers in such a way that they respond by becoming followers of Christ and responsible members of His church. Ac8.5-13/8.26-39/Ep4.11-4/2Tm4.5
- R. Pastor The ability to assume responsibility for the spiritual care of a group of God's people. Ac20.28,9/Ep4.11-14/1Tm3.1-7/1Pt5.1-3
- S. Hospitality The ability to reach out in warmth and love to make people welcome and care for their needs, particularly food and lodging. Ac16.14-5/Rm12.9-13/16.23/He13.1,2/1Pt4.9
- T. Intercession The ability to pray for extended periods on a regular basis and see frequent and specific answers to prayer. Lk22.41-4 Ac12.12/2Co1.9-12/1Tm2.1,2/Js5.14-6

Name _____

Spiritual Gifts Inventory

Inventory completed on (date) _____

According to the Church Spiritual Gifts Inventory, my possibly gift profile includes the following gifts (highest number first, then descending order):

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

In addition, I sense that I may have other gifts not indicated on the profile, including the following: _____

Please fill out the next page to turn in.

Name _____

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(highest number first, then descending order):

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

In addition, I sense that I may have other gifts not indicated on the profile, including the following: _____

The Mount Olivet Membership Covenant

Having received Christ as my Lord and Savior and been baptized, and being in agreement with Mount Olivet's purpose, mission, and leadership, I now feel led by the Holy Spirit to unite with the Mount Olivet church family. In doing so, I commit myself to God and to the other members to do the following:

1. **I will protect the unity of my church**

- ...by acting in love toward other members
- ...by refusing to gossip
- ...by following the leaders

Romans 14:19 Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual edification.1

Peter 1:22 Now you can have real love for everyone because your souls have been cleansed from selfishness and hatred when you trusted Christ to save you; so see to it that you really do love each other warmly, with all your hearts.

Ephesians 4:29 Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.

Hebrews 13:17 Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give an account. Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no advantage to you.

2. **I will share the responsibility of my church**

- ...by praying for its growth
- ...by inviting the unchurched to attend
- ...by warmly welcoming those who visit

1 Thessalonians 1:1 To the church ... We always thank God for all of you, mentioning you in our prayers.

Luke 14:23 "Then the master told his servant, 'Go out to the roads and country lanes and make them come in, so that my house will be full.'

Romans 15:7 Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.

3. **I will serve the ministry of my church**

- ...by discovering my gifts and talents
- ...by being equipped to serve by my pastors
- ...by developing a servant's heart

1 Peter 4:10 Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.

Ephesians 4:11 It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, 12 to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up.

Philippians 2:3 Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. 4 Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. 7 but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.

4. I will support the testimony of my church

...by attending faithfully

...by living a godly life

...by giving regularly

Hebrews 10:25 Let us not neglect our church meetings, as some people do, but encourage and warn each other, especially now that the day of his coming back again is drawing near.

Philippians 1:27 Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ.

1 Corinthians 16:2 On every Lord's Day each of you should put aside something from what you have earned during the week, and use it for this offering.

Leviticus 27:30 "A tithe of everything from the land, whether grain from the soil or fruit from the trees, belongs to the LORD; it is holy to the LORD.

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

MOUNT OLIVET'S VISION STATEMENT

**WE EXIST
TO BRING THE LIFE AND MINISTRY OF GOD
TO THE CHURCH
AND TO THE WORLD**

**OUR PURPOSE IS STATED BY OUR "WORDS" OF PURPOSE
W ORSHIP
O UTREACH
R ELATIONSHIP
D ISCIPLESHIP
S ERVICE**

MY COMMITMENT TO MEMBERSHIP

I affirm my commitment to Mount Olivet's mission, "W.O.R.D.S. of PURPOSE", and constitution and bylaws.

A. I affirm my commitment to regularly participate in the corporate worship and fellowship of the Mount by:

SUNDAY A.M. _____

DISCIPLESHIP _____

SUNDAY P.M. _____

WEDNESDAY MINISTRY _____

SMALL GROUP _____

OTHER _____

B. I affirm my commitment to exercise stewardship in giving tithes and offerings.____ Also in using my gifts by being involved in the following ministries of the Mount:

C. I affirm my commitment to nurturing my **personal** walk with Jesus in our W.OR.D.S. of PURPOSE:

W-orship by: _____

O-utreach by: _____

R-elationship by: _____

D-iscipleship by: _____

S-ervice by: _____

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

Bylaws

See the attached Exhibit C for a definition of certain terms used in these bylaws.

Article I. Membership

Sec. 1. *Qualifications.* Those eligible for membership in this Assembly must:

- (a) Be born again (John 1:12-13, 3:3-8; 1 Peter 1:18-25).
- (b) Be baptized in water by immersion or be willing to be at the next baptismal service except where deemed physically impossible (Matthew 28:19; Mark 16:16; Acts 10:47-48; Romans 6:4-6).
- (c) Be baptized in the Holy Spirit with the physical evidence of speaking in tongues or earnestly seeking according to Acts 2:4.
- (d) Give evidence of a consistent Christian life in line with moral principles of Scripture (Exodus 20:1-17; Matthew 5-7; Romans 6:4, 8:1-4, 13:13-14; 1 Corinthians 6; Galatians 5:19-25; Ephesians 4;17-5:21; 1 John 1:6-7

The Bible prohibits specific acts such as stealing, all forms of dishonesty, profane language, gossip, sexual abuses (such as premarital sex, adultery, and homosexual behavior), physical abuse, and occult practices. The Word of God teaches the sacredness of human life and therefore opposes abortion. Scripture encourages openness, trust, patience, generosity, courage, and a forgiving spirit. Given the atmosphere where such attitudes prevail, destructive forces such as resentment, hypocrisy, and harmful discrimination (based on gender, race, economic status, disability, or national origin) are overcome. We know that finally we are responsible to God as individuals to control our actions and attitudes in ways consistent with His righteousness and love.

- (e) Refrain from being a stumbling block or an offense or an occasion of falling to a weaker Christian (Romans 14:1-15; 1 Corinthians 8, 10:14-11:1). Be responsible to abide by standards and rules of this fellowship which may not be specifically taught by Scripture, but are determined by the church as beneficial regulations for relationship together in a Christian community. These standards prohibit certain social practices which are considered harmful or offensive such as gambling, membership in secret societies, and the use of alcoholic beverages, tobacco, and illicit drugs, or participating in mind-manipulating acts (T.M., Yoga, New Age practices, etc.). Careful Christian judgment must also be exercised in regard to reading matter, drama, movies, music, television viewing, dancing, internet usage and other forms of entertainment and media.
- (f) Contribute regularly to the financial support of this Assembly with tithes and offerings (Proverbs 3:9-10; Malachi 3:8-11; 1 Corinthians 16:1-2; Leviticus 27:30-32).

EVERY MEMBER A MINISTER

Created for ministry

Ephesians 2:10 For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Saved for ministry

2 Timothy 1:9 who has saved us and called us to a holy life—not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time,

Called into ministry

1 Peter 2:9-10 But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. 10 Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Gifted for ministry

1 Peter 4:10 Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.

Authorized to do ministry

Matthew 28:18-20 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Commanded to do ministry

Matthew 20:26-28 Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, 27 and whoever wants to be first must be your slave— 28 just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Be prepared for ministry

Ephesians 4:11-12 It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, 12 to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up

Needed for ministry

1 Corinthians 12:27 Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.

Accountable and will be rewarded for ministry

Colossians 3:23-24 Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, 24 since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.