Installation Service

The leader conducting the service requests the newly-elected officers to come forward and speaks as follows: "You have been duly elected as officers of the WMF for the coming year. Your willingness to serve in this cause has been indicated by accepting these offices. In I Corinthians 12:4 we read, "Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit." You have been chosen for your various offices according to your different talents. As an Executive Board you are to fulfill the diversities of administration and operations assigned to you. You are to work in harmony, for you serve the same Lord. May the Holy Spirit stir your hearts to greater love, more earnest zeal and consecrated service for Him. Look often to God in prayer for guidance in your tasks. Your daily lives are to be an example that others will be drawn to know the Lord Jesus Christ, and may you be led into the knowledge of His will in all matters. Mrs. (Miss) _____, as President, you will be the leader. You will supervise and direct the work for the coming year (s) in accordance with the provision of the constitution. It is your responsibility to see that our WMF is fulfilling its purpose and growing up to its opportunities. Mrs. (Miss) _____, as Vice President, you can do much to be of real assistance to the President and be ready to fill her place when necessary. (State additional duties if there are any.) Mrs. (Miss) _____, as Secretary, you will keep records of all meetings and see that the WMF adheres to its constitution and bylaws. Mrs. (Miss) , as Treasurer, you will record and properly channel the funds with which the WMF is entrusted. Mrs. (Miss) _____, as Cradle Roll Secretary, you will enroll each baptized baby in the district cradle roll. You will make the home contact with cradle roll literature. You will encourage prayer for the new babies that they will learn to know the Lord."

Then the leader turns to all the assembled officers and says: "I therefore, ask you: Do you accept the offices to which you have been duly elected, and do you promise to discharge your duties faithfully and to the best of your ability in the fear of the Lord? If so, declare it by saying in unison: Yes, by the help of God."

All answer in unison, "Yes, by the help of God."

Then the audience is asked to stand. The leaders gives the charge of responsibility to all members: "And now I admonish you who witness this consecration to consider it as a privilege and responsibility to support these chosen officers by rendering them every possible assistance that we may serve with joy together for the work of the Association Free Lutheran Congregations and for the glory of God."