



January Volunteer Ministries

Litany for a Mission Trip

The following litany was written in honor of a Kansas City First Church of the Nazarene Work & Witness trip and was presented at a dinner that served as a fundraiser for “scholarships” for team members. The event allowed the team to be introduced to the congregation and led to the team’s support well in advance of the trip, both financially and in prayer.

Leader:

Our team is going out to serve, using their God-given gifts and talents to benefit others and make the Kingdom richer through the salvation of souls.

Congregation:

“There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work.”

Leader:

We are thrilled that team members can go; however, those of us who remain also have responsibilities. A mission trip consists of those whose hands and feet are extensions of those of us who stay here.

Congregation:

“Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ.... Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many....But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be.”

Leader:

Team members, you will be traveling to another part of the world, serving in a culture not your own and witnessing about the love of the Father, the salvation through the Son, and the comfort of the Spirit.

Team:

We need the support of people at home. Will you pray for our safety, both as we travel and as we serve?

Congregation:

We will pray.

Team:

Will you pray as we experience a new culture?

Congregation:

We will pray.

Team:

Will you pray that each of us will be a witness?

Congregation:

We will pray.

Leader:

As the Body, we “should have equal concern for each other. If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.”

All:

We are the Body.

Passages:

1 Corinthians 12:4-6, NIV

1 Corinthians 12:12, 14, 18, NIV

1 Corinthians 12:25b-27, NIV

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