

Subject: Practitioner Licensing Ceremony

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Welcome – _____ (minister/representative) -- introduce Ministers as they come in
Music for procession
Practitioners walk in
Introduction and reading of acknowledgements
Acknowledgement of practitioners' former teachers

Invocation _____

Opening song: "One Power" or similar
_____ – speaker(s) on Learning Journey

Practitioners speak for 3-5 minutes on what their studies have meant to them.
Introduction of song: It's in Every One of US

Ceremony

Be Thou My Vision: _____
Meditation and Crystal Bowl
Declaration of Principles
Official call from Rev. _____
Ecclesiastical Charge

Rev. _____: As the Ecclesiastical Representative of United Church of Religious Science, it is my honor and duty to participate in the Charge of Licensing of new Practitioners for the _____ (church).

Rev. _____, as the Senior Minister of the _____ (church) are you able to certify that _____, _____, _____ etc. (new practitioners by name) have fulfilled all the requirements and obligations preparing them to be Prayer Practitioners of this Center?

Rev. (Assistant): They have.

Rev. (Senior Minister): Are you convinced of their worthiness to be Licensed?

Rev. (Assistant): I am.

Rev. (Senior Minister): Do you as an authorized representative of this Church, reaffirm that it is the will and desire of this church that _____, _____, _____, etc. (practitioners' names) shall be officially licensed as Practitioners of Religious Science?

Rev. (Assistant): As the authorized representative of the _____(church)

it is my pleasure to reaffirm that we request the official licensing of these practitioners.

Rev. (Senior Minister): _____ Thank you, _____.

Rev. (Assistant): _____, _____, _____, etc. (practitioners' names) - are you prepared to take on the responsibility of being Practitioners of Religious Science and do you fully understand the depth of such a commitment?

Pracs: We do.

Rev. (Senior Minister):

There are certain ideals set forth to which Practitioners strives to adhere: First, Practitioners are charged to maintain a state of Spiritual awareness by treating daily for the expansion of their own consciousness in order to be mentally and spiritually prepared to meet any condition.

Do you dedicate yourselves to this ideal?

Rev. (Senior Minister):

Practitioners remain dedicated to their primary function, which is Spiritual Mind Treatment. This is to be done on behalf of clients at their request. The Practitioner also is dedicated to being a spiritual light and resource, practicing and teaching the principles of Science of Mind.

Do you dedicate yourselves to this ideal?

Rev. (Senior Minister):

Practitioners maintain a relationship of confidence, integrity and trust with all clients. This means no cases or demonstrations are ever discussed unless the client has given permission.

Do you dedicate yourselves to this ideal?

Rev. (Senior Minister):

Practitioners recognize that there is only one healing power in the Universe working in and through all healing professions. However, Practitioners of Religious Science confine their practice to the principles of Science of Mind and do not offer legal, medical or personal advice nor engage in psychological therapies as part of their Practitioner work.

Do you dedicate yourselves to this ideal?

Rev. (Senior Minister):

Practitioners serve as a role models. The conduct, speech and personal appearance of the Practitioner need, at all times, to reflect the dignity of this profession.

Do you dedicate yourselves to this ideal?

Rev. (Senior Minister):

Practitioners are spiritual leaders in their spiritual community and dedicate themselves to the full support of the center, its Minister, its teachings, programs and ministry.

Do you dedicate yourselves to this ideal?

Rev. (Senior Minister):

And finally, and perhaps of greatest importance, Practitioners recognize the inner authority of the Spirit that has called them to this holy work and are inwardly guided, in all circumstances, in order to outwardly demonstrate the Kingdom of God.

Do you dedicate yourselves to this ideal?

Rev. (Senior Minister): As you have personally dedicated yourself today to these high ideals, so it shall be, according to the commitment of your heart and mind. You are engaged in very specialized and necessary work. We need you! United Church of Religious Science needs you! The _____ (church) needs you! And the world needs you! We see you continuing to be guided and blessed as your dedication blesses us.

In the name of all the Ministers and Practitioners of United Church of Religious Science, I welcome you.

Lead applause...

Rev. (Assistant): _____ (practitioners, one by one):

Please share with us the Covenant you have written as you come before us to be licensed.

Call to Congregation

Do you promise to support these practitioners through your own prayers and to allow them to support you in times of your own need?

Congregation: We do.

In the name of United Church of Religious Science and the members of your own congregation, I acknowledge you for dedicating your life to continuously practicing the Presence of God.

We acknowledge you for committing yourself to your own personal Spiritual growth.

We acknowledge you for the demonstration of peace and harmony in your life.

We acknowledge you for the demonstration of abundance and health in your life.

We acknowledge you for radiating Divine Order, Love, Joy and Harmony.

We acknowledge you for committing your entire life to being a Practitioner of

God, -- to being a Practitioner of United Church of Religious Science and
for being a Practitioner of the _____ (church), -- and for being a
Practitioner for the entire planet earth...

You are awesome and we love you!
May you be blessed eternally!
And so it is!

Presentation of Pins -- by person of each of their choices

Benediction

Closing song : A Whole New World...

Where people laugh, learn,
love and live to leave a legacy