Letter of Call

To brother _________________________________

Grace, mercy, and peace from God our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord.

The council of the _______________________________________, member congregation of the United Reformed Churches in North America, has the honor and pleasure to inform you by means of this letter of our call to you to become our minister of the Word and Sacraments.

Should God be pleased to send you to us, your labors will include: preaching twice on the Lord’s Day, attending to catechetical instruction, family visiting, and calling on the sick, and all things pertaining to the work of a faithful and diligent servant of the Lord, all of these agreeable to the Word of God, as interpreted by the Three Forms of Unity, and applied by the Church Order.

Convinced that the laborer is worthy of his hire, and to encourage you in the discharge of your duties, and to free you from all worldly cares and avocations while you are dispensing spiritual blessings to us, we, the elders and deacons of this church do promise and oblige ourselves to pay you annually the sum of _________________________ dollars, as long as you continue being the minister of this church, and to make mutually satisfactory arrangements for your housing and residence. Moreover, we will pay the costs of moving and transporting yourself, your family, and your belongings to our community.

May the King of His church so impress our call upon your heart and give you light that you may arrive at a decision that pleases Him and, if possible, mutually gratifies us.

Done in council, this __ ______________ day of __________________________ (month, year), and subscribed with our names.

The council of the _______________________________________________________ (church).

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