

## **Introduction of Dominican Republic Mission Team:**

### **St. Andrews:**

Don Peeler  
Melissa Peeler  
Lauren White  
Steve White  
Kelly Dornan

### **St. Augustine's:**

Summer Murray  
Rowan Ptomey

### **Church of the Holy Spirit:**

Tom Jones  
Sharon Jones  
Linda Blinston  
Angela Byrne  
Mike Gearhart  
Crystal Kunkel  
Shiloh Thacker

### **Trinity Cathedral:**

Summer Sanabria

## **Brief Presentation by members of the Team.**

### **Commissioning of the Team:**

*The adult leader/member of the team says, "I present (fill in names of individual team members) to be commissioned as missionaries to the Dominican Republic from their respective churches and from the Diocese of Nebraska."*

*Priest:* Do you believe that these members are well qualified and duly prepared for this ministry?

*Sponsor:* I do.

*Priest (representing the Diocese of Nebraska):* Do all of you, in the presence of this congregation, now commit yourselves to this new trust and responsibility?

*Missioners:* I do

*Priest: (addressed to the congregation present)* Will you who witness these missionaries, support and uphold them through prayer, encouragement and contributions?

*Congregation:* We will.

*Priest:* O Holy God, you raise up laborers for your harvest, sending them out as sowers of your Gospel and caretakers of new life: Bless these your servants in their work of serving Christ with their hands and hearts, equip them for your service, enliven them with your joy, and help them remember and trust that it is you who will bring in the harvest; through Jesus Christ, the Savior of Souls. *Amen.*

*The Peace is now exchanged with the newly-commissioned missionaries and the congregation.*

## **Peace**

*All stand.*

*Celebrant*            The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*                And also with you.

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **Announcements**

### **Anniversaries and Birthdays**

#### **Birthday Blessing:**

Watch over your child, O Lord, as *his* days increase; bless and guide *him* wherever *he* may be. Strengthen *him* when *he* stands; comfort *him* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *him* up if *he* falls; and in *his* heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of *his* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Anniversary Blessing:**

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore, your blessings upon these your servants, that they may continue to love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may always be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.