



Proclamation & Preaching Committee Contextual Project Guidelines
Provisional & Full Deacon Candidates may do a Contextual Project or Sermon.
(see sermon instructions if you choose to do a sermon in-lieu of a contextual project)

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GUIDELINES CONTEXTUAL PROJECT

GENERAL DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Your contextual project should be an original example of your ministry of Word and Service using a biblical text of your choosing.
- 2) Title of Project: Is it related to main theme?
- 3) Setting: Describe your context for ministry. Where do you serve? Who do you serve? What are your primary responsibilities?
- 4) Purpose: As a deacon you are called to a ministry of Word and Service. How does your project proclaim this ministry in your setting?
- 5) Brief Description of Project: In fifty words or less describe your audience, location, number of sessions, type of project.
- 6) Outline: Provide a detailed outline of the entire project.
- 7) Exegesis of the Biblical text you chose (2-3 pages)
- 8) Main Body: Provide a narrative of one component, presentation or session of your project.
- 9) Provide an audio or videotape of your presentation. Where matters of confidentiality would prohibit, secure written permission of the participants.

AREAS OF EVALUATION. All of these may not apply to your project.

- Sources: What supportive materials are being used? Is proper credit given to sources?
- Illustrations (where applicable): Are illustrations varied, fresh, true to life, accurate, right length?
- Transitions: Are transitions natural, creative, easy to follow, varied, clear?
- Text/Narrative: Does the project show evidence of good research?
- Appeal: Is the appeal rational, logical and systematic? Does the narrative/text provide practical help or support?
- Writing style: Literary, oral, abstract, concrete, conversational, clear, direct, energetic, flowing, truthful, natural.
- Cultural sensitivity: Was inclusive language used? Was the narrative/text sensitive to current events and social issues?

GUIDELINES FOR EVALUATING CONTEXTUAL PROJECT SCALE:

Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, and Needs Improvement

A copy of the evaluation of your Contextual Project will be returned to you. The assigned readers will be pleased to discuss the evaluation with you.

If you have any questions, please contact:

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