

## CONNECTIONAL LAY MINISTRY DAY LITANY-2017

### "Laity Impacting the World: "Defending the Cross, Reaching the Lost and Equipping the Saved"

**Leader:** As the laity of the church, we too, have a calling to serve the present age, working in concert with the pastor, we serve with a glad heart for we have been blessed abundantly to be servants of the most high God.

**Congregation:** Lord, we give you thanks for you have called us out of darkness into the marvelous light, and we will **let your light shine** before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

**Leader:** Lord, we thank you for the special talents and abilities that you have given us to be of service to others for in so doing we are able to defend the cross, reach the lost and the Saved.

**Congregation:** For those who are actively involved in outreach ministries and in the political processes of our community, state, and nation, in helping the oppressed, the poor, the least, the lost, and the last, we give you thanks and ask that your spirit would guide them.

**Leader:** Lord, we are ever mindful that whatever is happening in our world today, it does not escape you and we take comfort in knowing that each day we can say: "You are still Lord of Lords, King of Kings and ruler over all.

**All:** O Lord, we are ever mindful of the words of our Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ, who said, "I came not to be served, but to serve." Jesus saw our need and ministered unto us. Is He not our example, our model? God, we call on you now to bless the laity, bless the servants of Christ, bless us to be faithful in the call to serve and do your will. In closing Lord, we give you the honor, the glory and the praise for what you have done and will do in Jesus name. Amen