



Dear Sister in Christ,

Greetings in the wonderful name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We are honored by your interest in *Supporting Women In Ministry International*. It is our pleasure to send you the enclosed *Application for Ministerial Credentials, Licensing or Ordination* packet in response to your request.

We believe it is the Holy Spirit of God who “calls,” equips, and raises up leaders in the Body of Christ, both men and women. Licensing or Ordination is the recognition and affirmation by the Body of Christ of what God has Himself purposed and established in a person’s life. We do take this opportunity of granting Ministerial Credentials as a holy and serious matter. However, S.W.I.M. is not primarily a Credentialing service; instead we exist to support women in different ways who are currently in ministry or preparing for ministry with the goal of spreading the Good News of salvation through Jesus Christ the Lord.

Knowing full well there are many means of being credentialed in Christendom today, we see our process in a unique way. Rather than have a one-size-fits-all procedure, *S.W.I.M.* has no set time frame or set educational requirements. Instead, we desire through much prayer, to be led by the Holy Spirit’s guidance in determining what each applicant needs by way of skills and preparation to fulfill their particular ministry to which they have been called. Therefore, *S.W.I.M.* offers unique and specific assistance for women as they prepare for leadership in Christian ministry. *S.W.I.M.* is primarily meant to be a support network that is relationally based, whereby we, as women in ministry, can learn from and assist one another in fulfilling God’s purposes in our lives.

Attached you will find:

<i>S.W.I.M.</i> Licensing or Ordination Qualifications	Statement of Faith (for your files)
Application Instructions	Statement of Faith (to sign and return)
Application for Licensing or Ordination	Background Release Form
Biblical and Theological Profile Questions	A Summary of Your Rights (for your files)
Introduction of <i>S.W.I.M.</i> International	A Reference Form (to copy & distribute)

We ask the Lord to guide you in this dynamic process and that He will enable us to be of service to you! If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at:

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May God shower upon you His grace, mercy and love as you seek to honor Him.

In the Agape Love of our Lord Jesus,

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