

Dear \_\_\_\_\_(name of newly ordained minister),

The Ministers Council of (region's name) congratulates you on your recent ordination. As you begin your service in ordained ministry, we hope you will also become an active part of our fellowship. We provide the support of colleagues and opportunities for continued development.

The Ministers Council is an autonomous, professional, multi-cultural organization of ordained, commissioned and lay Christian leaders within the American Baptist Churches in the U.S.A. We are women and men who advocate for and covenant with each other to deepen our spiritual journey and to increase our effectiveness, as persons who are accepting the call of God and church for the advancement of the Gospel mission of the church of Jesus Christ and to proclaim His truth in a prophetic voice as led by the Holy Spirit. (Ministers Council Mission Statement)

You can find more information about the Ministers Council at:

<http://www.ministerscouncil.org/>

Our region offers (information on local council activities)

We send our prayers and best wishes to you for your ministry in the days ahead. Hope to see you at our next gathering, (information).

In Christ's service,