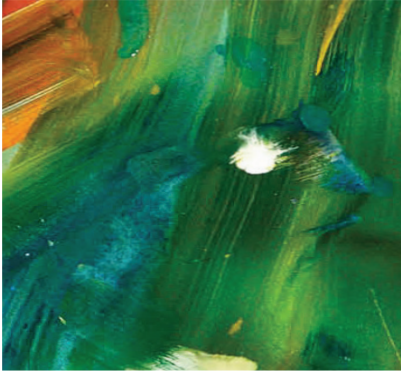


SAMPLE: LETTER COME AND SEE INVITATION

RESOURCE 3.6



Notes:

Dear *JOHN*:

Thank you for sending us your commitment card in the “Come and See” initiative to invite friends to come and see Christ Church. This is an historic initiative, and we are all excited to see it unfolding and changing our church culture. You are among many who have made the bold step to commit to inviting a friend to come and see the church and I wanted you to know how grateful we are that you are willing to make this commitment.

By now you have begun the process (or perhaps have even accomplished it!) of setting the appointment for a face-to-face visit or a phone call which will invite your friend to join you at the church for one of any number of encounters. You will be in my prayers as the Holy Spirit works through you to make this invitation, and we will commit to continuing our work so that what your friends comes to see is worthy of the effort and intention you have made in the invitation.

I know this is a vulnerable act. Who knows if your friend will agree to join you, and who knows what they will think of the church when and if they do indeed come and see? But I wanted you to know that we are grateful for the time it took for you to return the commitment card, and for the time and effort it will take both to make the personal invitation and join them when they come to see the church for their visit.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if there is anything we can do to assist you in this invitation process. We are doing gospel work by these invitations. Jesus asked us to go to the ends of the earth to invite people to come and see what Jesus began, and this work is a step in that direction. Thank you. And please, if you have the time, let us know how it all turns out so that we can make adjustments to next year’s initiative as we continue to work to raise money in the fall and people in the spring!

Warmly,

George Streinbrenner
Rector