



*"Magnifying God with our mission of world evangelism,
maturing believers to committed ministry"*

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Dear Pastor and/or Missionary Committee,

It is with great joy and privilege that I along with our elder board recommend to you, Daniel & Karen DeVerna for missionary service. My wife and I were missionaries in New Zealand for almost seventeen years so missions and church planting remains close to my heart. For the past eight years we have emphasized evangelism, discipleship, leadership development and sending our own out. We now have three serving Christ in youth ministry and we have two other couples about ready to enter vocational ministry. The DeVernas are the first, to go into church planting missions.

Daniel has attended here since he was four years old. When he decided to get baptized he became serious about serving the Lord and became very involved in ministry before going to Bible College where he met Karen. For the past six months they have served here in an internship and have been involved in various areas of ministry (teaching, preaching, discipleship, evangelistic team, attending & participating in elder & deacon meetings etc).

I am convinced that Daniel and Karen have the heart, character and integrity required for ministry. Our elders have reviewed their application to serve with us as missionaries and have watched their lives and ministry and unanimously accepted them as the newest members of our missionary family.

As one of their sending churches we stand ready to assist them and you as we seek to see a support team raised up to get them to Japan. I trust that you would prayerfully consider adding them to your missionary family. If you have any questions, please get in touch with us. Thank you for taking time to read this letter and review the material the DeVernas have sent you.

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