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## **VOCATION AND MISSION OF THE GOSPEL** **Sunday, 23 October, World Mission Sunday 2022**

### **Opening Prayer:**

Lord, you call us by name.

Help us to be confident in our own unique identity.

Help us to find opportunities to develop our specific gifts and talents.

Enable us to hear and recognize the call of Jesus in our lives, and those of others.

Help us to find appropriate and life-giving ways to spread your Good News

in a way which draws others to you and helps them experience your radical and extraordinary love.

Amen

### **Read either of the passages of scripture below:**

#### **Mark 3:13-15**

Jesus went up on a mountain side and called to Him those He wanted, and they came to Him. He appointed twelve that they might be with Him and that He might send them out to preach and to have authority to drive out demons.

#### **John 15:14-15**

You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know His master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.

### **Reflection:**

To have a deep relationship with Jesus is to follow Him and by doing so consecrate oneself to Him. First of all, consecrated life is a life of humility, we imitate Jesus who is humble and poor.

### **As Paul writes in the letter to the Philippians 2: 6-8**

“Who, though He was in the form of God did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death — even death on a cross.”