

AARONIC PRIESTHOOD MINISTRY IN THE HOME

Nature of Priesthood Ministries.

- a. Man as God's agent.
- b. Shepherding in the Spirit of His Son.
- c. Touching lives with reverence for their individual worth.
- d. Correction through gentle persuasion.

Nature of Aaronic Priesthood Ministries.

- a. Agents of service to families and individuals.
- b. Under-shepherd with the Melchisedec Priesthood.
- c. Prepare foundations for ministries of the Melchisedec Priesthood.
- d. To help bring a Spirit of Peace into each home.

Special Nature of each office of the Aaronic Priesthood in Ministry to the Home.

THE PRIEST

“Pastor to families”

“As the presiding Elder is to the congregation so is the Priest to the Family.”

The Priest is called:

- To visit the home of each member.
- To exhort them to pray vocally and in secret.
- To exhort them to attend to all family duties.
- To teach the principles of the gospel.
- To lift up his voice by the Holy Spirit.
- to take the lead of meetings when there is no elder present,

THE TEACHER

“Patriarch to the Branch”

“As the Priest is to the family so is the Teacher to the individual.”

The Teacher is called:

- To watch over the church always.
- To be with and strengthen the members.
- To see that there is no iniquity in the church, neither hardness with each other.
- To see that there is neither lying, back-biting nor evil-speaking.
- To see that the church meet together often.
- To take the lead of meetings in the absence of the elder or priest,

THE DEACON

“Pastor of Temporalities”

“As the bishop is to the church so is the Deacon to the members.”

The Deacon is called:

- To see that the church meet together often.
- To see that all the members do their duty
- To watch over the church.
- To minister to the needy, the widow and the fatherless.
- To counsel in temporal affairs.
- To establish faith in God in the hearts of people, beginning with a faith in temporal law and power.