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To whom it may concern:

James and Marsha Twentier have been one of the most dedicated couples that I have known in my sixty years of ministry. It has been my privilege to have been their pastor most of their lives. Their combined years at Life Tabernacle has spanned almost 100 years.

Every pastor can sense a special ministry in the life of his God-called ministers. Many years ago I began to see and feel there was something special about James Twentier. His dedication to God was noticed by all those who knew him, as he began to go further, reach higher and dig deeper than many he grew up with in the church.

James and Marsha were always there when I needed someone to lift up the fallen, strengthen the weak, and help the poor in Life Tabernacle. They have spent much time going house to house, witnessing, praying for the lost, and encouraging the discouraged. They have dedicated hours each week to teaching new converts at the church as well as in their home. They also ministered to the sick in the hospitals and the homeless under the bridges of Houston.

Their hunger for God and burden for His Kingdom was shown by always lingering around Life Tabernacle altars, praying with, and providing much needed counsel to help people with their problems and daily needs. They helped me much more than they will ever know.

James Twentier worked in the Prison Ministry, Sunday School Bus Ministry, Nursing Home Ministry and Youth Ministry during his high school and college years.

James and Marsha have contributed to the growth of Life Tabernacle as they worked in the following Outreach Ministries: Home Bible Study and Discipleship Ministry (30 years), Sunday School Bus Ministry (10 years), Sunday School Teaching Ministry, Visitor Follow-up Ministry, Singles Ministry, Compassion and Care Ministry, Home Fellowship Ministry, Prison Ministry, Deaf Ministry, and Alcohol / Drug Recovery Mentoring Ministry. In addition to their individual contributions, they have served as leaders assisting the involmement of many others in these ministries.

They have effectively ministered in many other churches, including foreign missions churches and Bible schools, with a special ministry emphasis on the two foundational themes for mobilizing the church to reach the lost:

Revival - Passion for God (Spiritual Growth)

Evangelism - Compassion for the Lost (Soul Winning)

They have recently attended a missionary Spanish language school to become more effective in ministering to Spanish speaking people. They have completed and published a six book series entitled, "I Must Be About My Father's Business", which reflects their intense burden for reaching a lost world for Jesus Christ.

Bishop James L. Kilgore