

## ELDER SELECTION NOMINATION PHASE FORM

Each member of the Ventura church family is encouraged to nominate as many men as you wish and you feel would meet the qualification as an Elder. The deadline for returning these forms will be 6:00p.m., October 12. A nomination form is included herewith. Forms are also available in the **church** building lobby, on our website [www.venturachurchofchrist.org](http://www.venturachurchofchrist.org), or can be picked up in the church office. **Nomination forms may be placed in a designated box** located in the **church** building lobby. Unsigned nomination forms will **NOT** be processed by the committee. A minimum of 40 nominations must be received **for further consideration** as an Elder candidate. It is very important that you nominate **each man** you wish to be considered; even if you know others **who** will be nominating **the same** individual. **Please** do not assume that if **an individual** has previously declined a nomination, he would do so again. Those receiving the required 40 nominations will be notified, furnished with an introspective information sheet, and asked **if** they **would** accept the nomination. **The men** accepting nominations will be announced **on** Sunday, October 26.

### QUALIFICATIONS:

"Now the overseer must be above reproach, the husband of but one wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, not given to drunkenness, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. He must manage his own family well and see that his children obey him with proper respect. (If anyone does not know how to manage his own family, how can he take care of God's church?) He must not be a recent convert, or he may become conceited and fall under the same judgment as the devil. He must also have a good reputation with outsiders, so that he will not fall into disgrace and into the devil's trap."

We should seek men who have the goal to fill the following examples, characteristics and responsibilities of a shepherd:

He is relational – Acts 20:28  
He is willing and eager to be an example- 1 Peter 5:1-4  
He is a servant- Matthew 20:25-28  
He will guard the Flock- Acts 20:28  
He will watch over the Flock- Acts 20:28  
He will feed the Flock – Acts 20:28  
He will equip the Flock for ministry – Ephesians 4:10-12  
He will care for the Flock – 1 Timothy 3:5  
He will direct the affairs of the Flock – 1 Timothy 3:5  
He will preach the Word to the Flock- 1 Timothy 3:5

He will teach the Word to the Flock- 1 Timothy 3:5  
He will encourage the Flock- Titus 1:9-10  
He will refute falsehood – Titus 1:9-10  
He will pray for the Flock – James 5:14  
He will anoint the sick- James 5:14  
He will serve the Flock – 1 Peter 5:1-5  
He will lead the Flock – 1 Peter 5:1-5  
He will be an example to the Flock- 1 Peter 5:1-5  
He will keep watch over the Flock- Hebrews 13:17

