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DEACON AND DEACONESS**

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Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit, and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word. And the word of God increased, and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly.

*Acts 6:3-7 (RSV)*

I commend to you our sister Phoebe, a deaconess of the church at Cenchreae, that you may receive her in whatever she may require from you, for she has been a helper of many and of myself as well.

*Rom 16:1-2 (RSV)*