

CHURCH COVENANT

On account of our confession of faith in Christ's death and resurrection on our behalf—namely, that He is the sinless Son of God who loved us and gave Himself up for us—and having been baptized into the name of the Triune God, we do, now, solemnly covenant together, as one body of Christ, that by God's grace and the aid of the Holy Spirit:

We will seek to love God with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength.

We will seek to love one another as brothers and sisters in Christ, affectionately caring for one another in times of joy and sorrow out of a love for Christ.

We will bear one another's burdens by serving, comforting, and praying for one another.

We will eagerly maintain the bond of unity in the Spirit, committing to take offense slowly and being eager to reconcile with any who have offended us.

We will bear fruit in our Christian lives in keeping with repentance.

We will not forsake the assembling of the church for worship, but will joyfully participate on the Lord's Day in the singing, reading, praying, and receiving of the word by faith, unless providentially hindered.

We will participate in the Great Commission of Christ to make disciples by evangelizing, baptizing, and teaching individuals to obey all that Christ has commanded us.

We will contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry of the church, the relief of the needy, and the spread of the gospel to all nations.

We will endeavor to maintain the great duty of both family and private worship, as we seek to raise up those who at any time may be under our care in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

We will diligently watch over ourselves, being just in our dealings and exemplary in our conduct.

When we move from Emmanuel Bible Church, we will covenant with another church of like faith as soon as possible where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's word.

We eagerly await the triumphal return of Christ when sin and death will be destroyed and we will dwell in the presence of our God forever.

Until then, may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Spirit be with us all. Amen.

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