

# Church Covenant

## Missio Dei Fellowship



By the grace of God we have been led to repent of our sin and believe in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior. We have confessed our faith and been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Now, therefore, in the presence of God and by His grace, we joyfully and solemnly enter into a holy covenant with the members of Missio Dei Fellowship.

1. We engage to walk together in Christian love through the power of the Holy Spirit.
2. We pledge to joyfully and willingly submit and obey the leaders of this church. We also submit ourselves to one another, seeking the other's good over our own.
3. We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together, unless providentially hindered, but will faithfully attend the church's meetings for worship, prayer, study, and fellowship, and will use our spiritual gifts for the common good.
4. We pledge to faithfully participate in the ordinances of the church, and endeavor after unity of mind in doctrine. We will both submit to the church's discipline upon ourselves and lovingly assume our responsibility to participate in the discipline of other members, as taught in Scripture.
5. We will contribute cheerfully and regularly to this church for its general ministry and expenses, the relief of the poor, the cause of reformation and revival, and the spread of the Gospel throughout all nations.
6. We will strive by God's grace and power to live as Christ in the world; and denying ungodliness and worldly lusts we will seek to fulfill our calling to lead a holy life and to be salt and light.
7. We will be just and honest in our dealings and faithful in our responsibilities and commitments.
8. We will abide by the standards of sexual purity, ethical integrity, and spiritual fidelity as taught in the Bible.
9. We will reject all heretical beliefs and practices, using Scripture as our final authority.
10. We purpose to watch over one another in brotherly love, to remember one another in prayer, to help one another in sickness and distress, and to cultivate Christian compassion and courtesy.
11. Believing that the pursuit of peace with others and personal holiness accompany true faith in Christ, we will be slow to take offense, always eager to seek the reconciliation Christ commands, and will work to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.
12. We resolve to practice personal and family worship, to train our children in the discipline and instruction of the Lord, and to seek the salvation of our family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, acquaintances, and of all the world.
13. We promise that if, in the providence of God, we leave this church, we will diligently seek to unite with another church where we can continue to carry out the spirit and principles of God's Word.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## **Spiritual Background:**

1. Please write out a brief description of your conversion to Christ. (If you are unsure, please talk with one of the elders. If you need more space, please use the other side of this sheet.)
2. What evidence do you see which would give you assurance that you are truly His child?
  
3. Have you been Scripturally immersed following your conversion?
  
4. If so, what was the date or approximate date of your baptism?
  
5. What was the name of the church in which you were baptized and the pastor's name who performed the baptism?
  
6. If you have not been Scripturally immersed following your conversion, do you now wish to be baptized in obedience to Christ's instructions?
  
7. How would you describe your present spiritual condition? Please be specific but brief.
  
8. What, if any, is your pattern for personal intake of the Word of God and prayer?
  
9. Do you have regular family worship in your home? If so, how is it done?
  
10. Are there habits or issues related to your walk with God that you would like to talk about privately?

## **Church Commitment:**

1. Are you willing to faithfully attend the regular gatherings of the church the leaders deem necessary for the health of the body unless hindered by providence?
2. Are you willing to gladly submit to the spiritual leaders of the church unless conscience demands otherwise?
3. Will you always speak positively about our leaders and the other church members?
4. If difficulties arise in your relationship with others in the church, are you willing to deal biblically with that person rather than gossiping or retaliating in an ungodly way?
5. Are you willing to use talents and gifts God has given you for the edifying of the body and the promotion of the gospel as God might lead?
6. Please list any special abilities, gifts or talents which might be used in this way in the future if God leads?
  
7. Are you willing to regularly support the Lord's church with your financial gifts? (Note: This question is for believing children also.)
8. Have you read the church's doctrinal statement?
9. While we do not require for membership the level of commitment to our doctrinal statement that we require of our leadership, we are interested to know if you have any concerns. Are you aware of any disagreement between your beliefs and those in our confession of faith?
  
10. Do you have any questions related to anything on this petition which you would like for us to talk about?

Thanks for filling this out. We will discuss this and other issues privately before the membership procedure is concluded.