

THE GATE CITY BAPTIST CHURCH MEMBERSHIP COVENANT

“Having received Christ as my Lord and Savior and been baptized, and being in agreement with Gate City Baptist Church’s statements, strategy and structure, I now feel led by the Holy Spirit to unite with this church family. In doing so, I commit myself to God and to the other members to do the following:

I. I Will Protect the Unity of My Church

- ...By acting in love toward other members
- ...By refusing to gossip
- ...By following the leaders

B ...By resolving disputes and disagreements

Scriptural Basis: Matthew 18:15-17; Romans 14:10-19, 15:5; Ephesians 4:29-32; Hebrews 13:7, 17; 1 Peter 1:22-2:1.

II. I Will Share the Responsibility of My Church

- ...By praying for its growth
- ...By inviting the unchurched to attend
- ...By warmly welcoming those who visit
- ...By sharing my faith through word and deed

Scriptural Basis: Luke 14:23; Acts 1:8; Romans 15:7; 1 Thessalonians 1:2.

III. I Will Share the Ministry of My Church

- ...By discovering my gifts and talents in order to benefit the cause of Christ
- ...By being equipped to serve by my pastors
- ...By developing a servant’s heart
- ...By praying regularly

Scriptural Basis: Acts 2:42; Romans 12:4-8; 1 Corinthians 12:4-7; Ephesians 4:11-12; Philippians 2:3-4; 1 Timothy 2:8; 1 Peter 4:10-11.

IV. I Will Share the Testimony of My Church

- ...By attending faithfully in worship services and Bible study
- ...By living a godly life
- ...By giving regularly to support the church financially
- ...By speaking positively
- ...By seeking to grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ
- ...By submitting to the loving rule, oversight, and authority of the elders regarding reproof, instruction, correction, and loving discipline as given in Matthew 18:15-17

Scriptural Basis: Leviticus 27:30; Matthew 18:15-17; 1 Corinthians 9:9-14, 16:2; Galatians 6:1; Ephesians 4:29; Philippians 1:27; Hebrews 10:24-25; James 5:19-20.

V. I Will Guard the Orthodox Purity and Truth of My Church Against Cultural Progressivism

...By submitting my mind (my thoughts) and my heart (my affections and my will) to the written revelation of God, the Bible.

...By contending for the gospel against theological liberalism that denies the following but is not limited to the virgin birth, the deity of Jesus Christ, the Triune Godhead, the atonement of Jesus Christ for sinners on the cross, His resurrection from the dead, and His kingship and lordship over all things visible and invisible

...By fighting the good fight of faith to combat cultural philosophies which embrace all of the following but is not limited to Critical Race Theory and Intersectionality, Racism, Sexual Immorality, homosexuality, bisexuality, transgenderism, bestiality, incest, the use of pornography, sexual abuse, adultery, and fornication

...By affirming and upholding biblical views of manhood and womanhood with their distinct binary roles as created and designed by God for both the family and the church

Scriptural Basis: Genesis 1:26-27; Matthew 5:16, 15:18-20; Acts 3:19-21; Romans 10:8-11; Colossians 2:8; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11; Philippians 2:14-16; 1 Thessalonians 5:22; Jude 3.

Printed Name

Signature

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