



GRACE CHURCH
Middleburg Heights

Membership Covenant

Having received Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior and being in agreement with Grace Church's doctrinal statement, I now feel led by the Holy Spirit to unite with the Grace Church family. In doing so, I commit myself to God and to the other members to do the following:

1. I will protect the unity of my church

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

"So let us concentrate on the things which make for harmony, and on the growth of our fellowship together" (Romans 14:19 Phillips).

"Have a sincere love for other believers, love one another earnestly with all your heart" (1 Peter 1:22 TEV).

"Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs" (Ephesians 4:29 NIV)

"Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give an account. Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be no advantage to you" (Hebrews 13:17).

2. 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

"To the church — ... We always thank God for you and pray for you constantly" (1 Thessalonians 1:1-2 LB).

"The Master said to the servant, 'Go out to the roads and country lanes, and urge the people there to come so my house will be full'" (Luke 14:23 NCV).

"So, warmly welcome each other into the church, just as Christ has warmly welcomed you; then God will be glorified" (Romans 15:7 LB).

3. I will serve the ministry of my church

- ... by discovering my spiritual gifts and talents
- ... by being equipped to serve
- ... by developing a servant's heart

“Serve one another with the particular gifts God has given each of you”
(1 Peter 4:10 Phillips).

“[God] gave . . . some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up” (Ephesians 4:11-12).

“Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: “Who . . . [took on] the very nature of a servant” (Philippians 2:3-4, 7).

4. I will support the mission of my church

- ... by attending faithfully
- ... by living a godly life
- ... by giving regularly

“Let us not give up meeting together . . . but let us encourage one another”
(Hebrews 10:25).

“Whatever happens, make sure that your everyday life is worthy of the gospel of Christ” (Philippians 1:27 Phillips).

“Each one of you, on the first day of each week, should set aside a specific sum of money in proportion to what you have earned and use it for the offering”
(1 Corinthians 16:2 LB).

“A tenth of [all your] produce . . . is the Lord's, and is holy” (Leviticus 27:30 NCV).

- 5.** If I am a member of another church, I will inform them that I'm joining Grace Church. In addition, if in the future, I stop attending Grace Church, I will let Pastor Steve Harper know.

Name: _____ Date: _____
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