



## Membership Covenant

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God,<sup>1</sup> to embrace Jesus as the Lord,<sup>2</sup> Savior,<sup>3</sup> and supreme Treasure of our lives,<sup>4</sup> and having been baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,<sup>5</sup> we do now, in the presence of God,<sup>6</sup> angels,<sup>7</sup> and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another as one body in Christ.<sup>8</sup>

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Spirit,<sup>9</sup> to walk together in Christian love,<sup>10</sup> to strive for the advancement of this church<sup>11</sup> in knowledge,<sup>12</sup> holiness,<sup>13</sup> and peace;<sup>14</sup> to promote its spirituality and fruitfulness;<sup>15</sup> and to sustain its worship,<sup>16</sup> ordinances,<sup>17</sup> and discipline.<sup>18</sup>

We likewise engage, to uphold the Table Rock Member Affirmation of Faith; to welcome, test biblically, and apply instruction from the Scriptures by the Elders of the church which accords with the Table Rock Elder Affirmation of Faith;<sup>19</sup> to contribute cheerfully<sup>20</sup> and regularly<sup>21</sup> to the support of the ministry,<sup>22</sup> the expenses of this church,<sup>23</sup> the relief of the poor,<sup>24</sup> and the spread of the gospel in this city and among all the nations.<sup>25</sup>

We also engage to maintain family<sup>26</sup> and personal devotions;<sup>27</sup> to seek the salvation of our friends, family, and neighbors;<sup>28</sup> to educate our children in the Christian faith;<sup>29</sup> to walk wisely in the world;<sup>30</sup> to be just in our dealings,<sup>31</sup> faithful in our engagements,<sup>32</sup> and exemplary in our conduct,<sup>33</sup> and to avoid all gossip,<sup>34</sup> slander,<sup>35</sup> excessive anger,<sup>36</sup> drunkenness,<sup>37</sup> and sexual sin.<sup>38</sup>

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love;<sup>39</sup> to remember one another in prayer;<sup>40</sup> to aid one another in sickness and distress;<sup>41</sup> to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling<sup>42</sup> and courtesy in speech;<sup>43</sup> to be slow to take offense,<sup>44</sup> but always ready for reconciliation,<sup>45</sup> and mindful of the rules of our Savior to secure it without delay.<sup>46</sup>

We moreover engage that when we remove from this place, we will notify the church leaders, and, if possible, unite with a like-minded church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant.<sup>47</sup>



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- <sup>1</sup> John 6:63, 16:7–14
  - <sup>2</sup> Rom 10:9; Phil 2:11
  - <sup>3</sup> Luke 2:111; 1 Tim 1:15; Acts 4:12
  - <sup>4</sup> Matt 16:24–26, 13:44–46; Luke 9:23–26, 14:26
  - <sup>5</sup> Matt 28:18–20; Acts 2:41, 8:36–38; Rom 6:3–5
  - <sup>6</sup> Ps 139:7, 33:13, 15:3
  - <sup>7</sup> 1 Tim 5:21
  - <sup>8</sup> 1 Cor 12:12–13, 10:17
  - <sup>9</sup> John 14:26, 16:13
  - <sup>10</sup> Eph 5:1–2; 1 Thess 4:9; John 13:33–34
  - <sup>11</sup> Eph 2:21–23
  - <sup>12</sup> 2 Pet 3:18
  - <sup>13</sup> 1 Pet 1:15–16; 2 Cor 7:1
  - <sup>14</sup> Col 3:15; Rom 14:19
  - <sup>15</sup> Jude 20; 1 Thess 5:10–12
  - <sup>16</sup> John 4:24; Romans 12:1
  - <sup>17</sup> 1 Cor 11:24–30; Luke 22:14–23
  - <sup>18</sup> Rom 16:17; 1 Cor 5; Titus 3:10–11
  - <sup>19</sup> 2 John 9–11; 1 John 4:1–6; Acts 17:11
  - <sup>20</sup> 2 Cor 9:6–7
  - <sup>21</sup> 1 Cor 16:1–2
  - <sup>22</sup> 2 Cor 9:7; Matt 10:8, 6:19–24
  - <sup>23</sup> 1 Tim 5:17–18; 1 Cor 9:8–12
  - <sup>24</sup> Prov 29:7, 19:17; James 1:27; 1 Tim 5:3–16
  - <sup>25</sup> Acts 1:8; Luke 24:46–48
  - <sup>26</sup> Deut 11:18–20
  - <sup>27</sup> Matt 6:6; Luke 18:1; Acts 17:11
  - <sup>28</sup> Mark 5:19; Matt 5:15–16; Rom 1:16
  - <sup>29</sup> Eph 6:4
  - <sup>30</sup> Eph 5:15; Matt 10:16
  - <sup>31</sup> Rom 12:17; Prov 11:1
  - <sup>32</sup> 2 Tim 2:2
  - <sup>33</sup> Eph 5:8; 1 Pet 2:12
  - <sup>34</sup> 2 Cor 12:20; Prov 11:13; Prov 16:28
  - <sup>35</sup> Ps 101:5; Rom 1:29–31; Mark 7:21–23
  - <sup>36</sup> James 1:19; Eph 4:26–27
  - <sup>37</sup> Eph 5:18
  - <sup>38</sup> 1 Cor 6:18; Rom 1:24–32
  - <sup>39</sup> Rom 12:10; 1 Thess 5:14
  - <sup>40</sup> Eph 6:18; 1 Thess 5:25
  - <sup>41</sup> Gal 6:10; 2 Cor 1:3–4
  - <sup>42</sup> 1 Cor 12:25–26
  - <sup>43</sup> 1 Cor 12:25–26
  - <sup>44</sup> Rom 12:19
  - <sup>45</sup> Rom 12:18–21; Col 3:12–15
  - <sup>46</sup> Matt 5:23–24
  - <sup>47</sup> Acts 18:27–28; Rom 16:1–2