



Church Covenant

Having, as we trust, been brought by Divine grace to repent and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and having given ourselves to Him, and having been baptized upon our profession of faith in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, we do now, relying upon His gracious aid, solemnly and joyfully covenant together as members of Gospel for the Nations Church. (*John 1:12–13; Acts 2:38–41; Matthew 28:19–20; Romans 6:3–5; 1 Corinthians 10:17*)

We will work and pray for the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. (*Ephesians 4:1–6*)

We will walk together in brotherly love, as becomes the members of a Christian church; exercising loving care and watchfulness over one another, faithfully encouraging, admonishing, and restoring one another according to the Scriptures as occasion may require. (*Luke 17:3; Colossians 3:12–16; 1 Thessalonians 5:11–15; Hebrews 3:12–13; 1 Peter 1:22*)

We will not neglect the assembling of ourselves together but will faithfully devote ourselves to the worship of God, the preaching of His Word, prayer, the ordinances, and the fellowship of the saints. (*Acts 2:42; Colossians 4:2; Hebrews 10:24–25*)

We will endeavor to bring up those under our care in the discipline and instruction of the Lord and, by a godly example and faithful witness, seek the salvation of our families, friends, neighbors, and all whom God places in our lives. (*Deuteronomy 6:6–9; Ephesians 6:4; 1 Peter 3:1–2*)

We will rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep, and endeavor with tenderness and compassion to bear one another's burdens. (*Romans 12:15; Galatians 6:2; James 2:14–17*)

We will seek, by Divine aid, to live carefully in this present world, denying ungodliness and worldly desires, remembering that, having been buried with Christ through baptism and raised to walk in newness of life, we are under a holy obligation to live for His glory. (*Romans 6:4–11; Ephesians 5:15–21; Titus 2:11–14; 1 Peter 1:14–16*)

We will work together for the continuance of a faithful Gospel ministry in this church, supporting its worship, ordinances, biblical doctrine, discipleship, discipline, and mission. We will contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the work of the church, the care of those in need, and the proclamation of the Gospel to all nations. (*Matthew 28:18–20; Acts 2:42; 1 Corinthians 11:23–26; 2 Corinthians 9:6–8; 1 Timothy 5:17–18*)

We will gladly receive the shepherding and oversight of those whom Christ has appointed as elders, honoring them as they faithfully teach and lead according to God's Word, while recognizing our shared responsibility as members to preserve the purity, peace, and unity of Christ's church. (*Hebrews 13:17; Acts 20:28; 1 Peter 5:1–5; Matthew 18:15–17*)

We will, when we move from this place, as soon as reasonably possible unite with another faithful, Bible-believing church where we may continue to live according to the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word. (*Hebrews 10:25; Ephesians 4:11–16*)

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. Amen. (*2 Corinthians 13:14*)