

# Welcome!



We would like to take this time to thank you for considering the Living Water Pentecostal Church as your place of worship. We are so grateful to God that you have come to find Living Water Pentecostal Church as a place where you feel accepted, loved, and comfortable to Worship God and commit yourself to be a part of the Body of Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 12: There are many members, yet one body. There are many of us, yet one body, mind, and

spirit.

Acts 10: God shows no partiality. We are called to love one another as God loved us, no matter who you are or background. We are called to love you and receive you as you are, just as our Lord Jesus loved us.

Ephesians 2: He has broken down the dividing wall that is the hostility between us. There will be no separation between us who are in Christ, for in Christ, we are made one.

This packet is designed to provide you with information about the Living Water Pentecostal Church ministry and its operation.

We are looking forward to a time of blessings and growing together in love and grace of God.

### **Living Water Pentecostal Church**



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### Living Water Pentecostal Church

#### I. HISTORY OF LIVING WATER PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

Pastor Manase and Esther Faualo answered the call of God in their lives while serving the Lord under a great mentor, teacher, spiritual father, man of God senior Pastor Dr Isakara Sataraka at the Good Samaritan Worship center church in Waipahu, Hawaii in August 2009. They answered the call and revelation from the Lord about the cry of hurting people at home and abroad. A revelation from the Lord was very clear that even the name of the church that God wanted Pastor Manase and Esther to start was revealed and translated. On September 6th, 2009 Living Water Pentecostal Church in Honolulu, Hawaii was born. People at home, families, friends, and neighbors responded to the gospel of Jesus Christ and received the Lord as their personal savior; some who backslide for years came back to the Lord and renewed their relationships with God as they heard the gospel being preached.

On September 9th, 2011 Pastor Manase and Esther Faualo responded to a need for a Pastor at a congregation of Samoan men, women, and children in Vancouver, Washington who at the time was not a church but a group of God loving people who long to know more of the Lord through studying and praying together with one another. After many days of studying the word and praying together, they wanted to start a new church in Vancouver, Washington which was called, Heart of Worship Ministry. The preaching of the gospel and reaching people with the Good News continued on with this Church ministry at the time, but in 2012 in the midst of pastoring this wonderful Samoan congregation, God reminded Pastor Manase of His call in their lives, which they were called to take the gospel of Jesus Christ to all languages and all sorts of people from every walk of life, and God also reminded Pastor Manase and Esther Faualo of their message of freedom which is Jesus the Living Water who will fill those who are thirsty and hungry for Him.

On November 4th 2012, Living Water Pentecostal church was born in Vancouver, Washington with the help of a few God-fearing men, women, and their children who felt called together with Pastor Manase and Esther Faualo to take the gospel to everyone. This group of men, women, and their children worked very hard in fulfilling the call of the church which is to reach people with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. In December 2012 we had our first Outreach, ministering through Christmas songs and the sharing of the word of God to the old folks home in Portland for the elderly. The sharing of the Gospel continued on in the church and also to people's homes through witnessing door to door Outreach on foot. God was so faithful that after several months of sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ to everyone, he added more and more people into the ministry just as he revealed to Pastor Manase and Esther Faualo, that it will be a multicultural church with all types of people from every walk of life.

This is a short but brief story of how the Living Water Pentecostal Church came about and I pray that you will find this church ministry as your place of worship and to serve God as he directs you.

God bless.

### Living Water Pentecostal Church

#### II. Statement of Faith

This fellowship accepts the Holy Scriptures as the revealed will of God and all sufficient rules of faith and practice, and it adopts the following statement of fundamental truths to wit:

- 1. **Absolute Authority of the Word of God.** The Scriptures, both Old and New Testaments are verbally inspired word of God to man and they are infallible, Authoritative rule of faith and conduct. (1 Thess 2:13, 2 Tim 3:15, 2 Peter 1:21)
- 2. **The one True God.** The one true God has revealed himself as the eternal self existent "I AM", the creator of heaven and earth, and the redeemer of mankind. He has further revealed himself as embodying the principles of relationship and associated as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Deut 6:4, Isa 43:10-11, Matt 28:19, Luke 3:22)
- 3. **The Deity of the Lord Jesus Christ.** The Lord Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of God. The Scriptures declare the following:
  - a. **His virgin birth.** (Matt 1:23, Luke 1:31, 35)
  - b. **His sinless life.** (Heb 7:26, 1 Pet 2:22)
  - c. **His miracles.** (Acts 2:22; 10:38)
  - d. His substitutionary work on the cross. (1Cor 15:3, 2Cor 5:21)
  - e. His bodily resurrection from the dead. (Matt 28:6, Luk 24:39, 1Cor 15:4)
  - f. **His exaltation to the right hand of God.** (Acts 1:9, 11; 2:33, Phil 2:9-11, Heb 1:1-3)
- 4. **The creation of Man and Woman.** God's plan from the beginning is to always make a man in His image after His likeness to produce and multiply God-like men and God-like women and children to fill the earth for His glory. Isaiah 43:7
- 5. **Marriage.** (between man & woman); God created man and woman to not only relate to one another but to be each other's partners and companion intimately for life in order to produce and multiply. Gen 2:21-24
- 6. **The fall of man.** Man was created good and upright, for God said, "Let us make man in our own image, after our likeness" However, man by voluntary transgression fell and thereby incurred not only physical death, but also spiritual death, which is separation from God. (Gen 1:26-27; 2:17; 3:6, Rom 5:12-19)
- 7. **The Salvation of Man.** Man's only hope of redemption is through the shed blood of Jesus Christ the Son of God.
  - a. **Conditions of Salvation:** Salvation is received through repentance towards God and Faith in Christ Jesus. By the washing of regeneration and rewind of the Holy Spirit, being justified by grace through faith, man becomes heir of God according to the hope of eternal life. (Luke 24:47; John 3:3; Rom 10:13-15; Eph 2:8; Titus 2:11; 3:5-7)
  - b. **The Evidence of Salvation.** The inward evidence of salvation is the direct witness of the Spirit (Rom 8:16). The outward evidence to all men is a life of righteousness and true holiness. (Eph 4:24; Titus 2:12)

#### 8. The Ordinance of The Church

- a. **Baptism in Water.** The ordinance of Baptism by immersion is commanded in the Scriptures. All who repent and believe in Christ as Savior and Lord are to be baptized. Thus they declare to the world that they have died with Christ and that they have also been raised up with him to walk in the newness of life. (Matt 28:19; Mark 16:16, Acts 10:47-48, Rom 6:4)
- b. **Holy Communion.** The Lord's Supper, consisting of the elements of bread and the fruit of the vine, is the symbol expressing the divine nature of our Lord Jesus Christ (2 Peter 1:4). It is the memorial of His suffering and death. (1Cor 11:26) and a prophecy of his second coming (1Cor 11:26); and it is enjoined on all believers until he comes.
- 9. **The Baptism of the Holy Spirit.** All believers are entitled to and should ardently expect and earnestly seek the promise of the Father, the Baptism of the Holy Spirit and Fire, according to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ. This was the normal experience of all in the early Christian Church. With it comes the endowment of power for life and service, the bestowment of the gifts, and the uses of the gifts in the works of the ministry. (Luke 24:49; Acts 4:8; 1Cor 12:1-31). This experience is distinct from and subsequent to the experience of the new birth (Acts 8:12-17; 10:44-46; 11:14-16; 15:7-9). With the Baptism in the Holy Spirit comes such experiences as on overflowing fullness of the Spirit (John 7:37-39; Acts 4:8), a deepened reverence for God (Acts; 2:42; Heb 12:28), an intensified consecration to God and dedication to his work (Acts 2:42), and a more active love for Christ, for His Word and for the Lost. (Mark 16:20)
- 10. **Sanctification:** Sanctification is an act of separation from that which is evil and of dedication unto God (Rom 12:1-2; 1Thess 5:23; Heb 13:12). The Scriptures teach a life of "holiness without which no man can see the Lord" (Heb 12:14). By the power of the Holy Spirit we are able to obey the command, "Be ye holy recognizing his identification with Christ in his death and resurrection, and faith reckoning daily upon the fact of that union, and by offering every faculty continually to the dominion of the Holy Spirit (Rom 6:11, 13; 8:1, 2, 13; Gal 2:20; Phil 2:12-13; 1 Pet 1:5).
- 11. **The Church:** The Church is the body of Christ, the habitation of God through the Spirit, with divine appointments for the fulfillment of her great commission. Each believer, born of the Spirit, is an integral part of the "general assembly and church of the first born, which are in heaven" (Heb 12:23; Eph 1:22-23; 2:22).
- 12. **The Ministry:** A divinely called and spiritual ordained ministry has been provided by our Lord for a twofold purpose: 1) The evangelization of the world (Mark 16:15-20) and 2) The edifying of the body of Christ (Eph 4:11-13).
- 13. **Divine Healing:** Divine Healing is an integral part of the Gospel. Deliverance from sickness is provided for in the atonement and is the privilege of all believers. (Isa 53: 4-5; Matt 8:16-17; James 5:14-16).
- 14. **The Blessed Hope:** The second coming of Christ includes the rapture of the saints, which is our blessed hope, followed by the visible return of Christ with his saints to reign on earth for one thousand years (Zech 14:5; Matt 24:27,30; Rev 1:7; 19:11-14; 20:1-6). This millennial reign will bring the salvation of Israel (Ez 37:21-22; Zeph 3:19-20; Rom 11: 26-27) and the establishment of the universal peach (Psalms 72: 3-8; Isa 11: 6-9; Micah 4:3-4).
- 15. **The Final Judgment:** There will be a final judgement, in which the wicked dead will be raised and judged according to their works. Whosoever is not found written in the book of Life, together with the devil and his angels and the beast and the false prophet, will be consigned to everlasting punishment in "the lake which

burneth with fire and brimstone which is the second death" (Rev 21:8, Matt 25:46; Mark 9:43-48; Rev 19:20; 20:11-15).

16. **The New Heavens and the New Earth:** "We, according to the promise, look forward to a new heaven and a new earth, where righteousness dwells". (2 Peter 3:13; Rev 21,22).

## Living Water Pentacostal Church III. "VISION"

#### "LOVE THE PEOPLE"

#### John 13:34 (Ioane 13:34):

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another."

The bible stated that we should love God with all of our Hearts, with all of our souls, and with all of our might: **Deut 6:5** and if we love God, then the love for people is simple.

God has called us "The Church" to love one another as he has loved us showing people his Love that is in us, not our love but the love of Jesus, because our kind of love always failed, but the Love of the Lord is unconditional and it will never fail you (John 3:16-17; Rom 5:8).

The bible states that if we speak in the tongue of Angels and men and have not love, we are only a resounding gong or clanging cymbal: (1 Cor 13:13)

We as the Church need to speak and live according to the vision that God has given to this Church to run by, Otherwise no one will believe the Truth about the Gospel: (1 Cor 13:1-9)

Jesus was always about reaching out, touching somebody's life in a special way. He fed the hunger, healed the sick, raised the dead, freed the captives and did the ultimate sacrifice which was dying on the cross to pay for our ransom. That is the kind of love we need to live by and show to the world. (Matt; Mark; Luke; John)

## Living Water Pentacostal Church IV. "MISSION STATEMENT"

Living Water Pentecostal Church is a congregation of believers, whose purpose is to know God through a personal relationship with Him through our Lord Jesus Christ. Our mission is threefold: First is to produce, second is to mobilize, and the third is to support. We endeavor to make and equip fellow believers of Jesus Christ through studying God's Word, discipleship and encouraging fellowship to produce anointed men and women for the work of God. We want to make Jesus known to the world and to show love to everyone through our lives. Jesus did not come to condemn the world but to save the world through Him. God's grace is sufficient for us all.

1. To Produce: Matt 28:19-20; Eph 4:11-13

2. To Mobilize: Acts 1:8; Mark 16:15

3. To Support: 1 Cor 16:15-18

#### 1. To Produce Anointed Men and Women of God

A. Moses produced Joshua: Deut 34:9

B. Elijah produced Elisha: 2 Kings 2:13-15

C. Jesus produced the Twelve: John 17:18

D. Paul produced Timothy: 1 Tim 1:2; 2 Tim 1:6

God speaking through Jeremiah said: "Before I formed you in the belly, I knew you; and before you came out of the womb I anointed you, and I appointed you a Prophet to the Nations": (Jeremiah 1:5)

#### 2. To Mobilize them to lead a lost and dying generation back to the Father

God is calling out to his Church to arise from its slumber and step into their rightful place of service: (Eph 5:14)

#### Luke 4:18-19

- A. To Preach the Gospel to the Poor
- B. To Heal the Brokenhearted
- C. To Preach deliverance to the captives
- D. To give sight to the blind
- E. To set liberty to those that are bruised
- F. To Preach the acceptable year of the Lord

#### (Note):

I. After Jesus equipped His disciples, He mobilized them to save the Lost. (Matt 10:1-9)

II. The Samaritan woman after hearing the Gospel led her whole city to Christ. (John 4:39-42)

- 3. To Support them so they can be fresh and alert for the Battle, Gal 6:10 We are to support in:
  - **A. Prayer** (Eph 6:18)
  - B. By carrying one another's burden (Gal 6:2)
  - **C. With our time and finances** (Acts 2:44-47)
  - **D. Encouragement** (1Thess 5:11)

### Living Water Pentacostal Church V. CHURCH GOVERNMENT

#### **Introduction:**

Living Water Pentecostal Church is a non-denominational independent church, which operates in governance of the President, which is the Pastor or the Head Elder of the church. Although, no business functions or operates the same, here is how Living Water Pentecostal Church operates: The Pastor or the Head Elder of the church, also known as the President, holds all authority and control over all decision making, and also adheres the final say in all business making decisions. Flowing from the Pastor is the Elders/Board of Directors, who ensures all final decisions made are conveyed and implemented to all members of the church. Following are the Pastoral Team, and Ministry Leaders (see flow chart on pg 13) We believe this short but simple introduction should give you an idea of how our church is operated according to the Word of God.

Does the Word of God teach a multiplicity of elders? Yes it does, James 5:14 says, "Is any sick among you? Let him call for the elders of the church..." Notice that elders is plural, and church is singular. In the local church, there can be a number of elders (Act 14:23). Who therefore chooses the elders? This is the responsibility of the Pastor of the church (President). We are not talking about authority in a natural sense of understanding. We are talking about Divine Authority which comes from the Throne of God to the people through a ministry gift chosen and equipped by the Lord Jesus Christ. This must always be born in the mind whenever there is a discussion of scriptural church authority. Remember that God says in Romans 8:7 that the carnal mind is an enemy of God. If we want God present in our lives, then we have to live in line with His Word. Furthermore, if we want God present in our churches, then we have to get our churches in line with His Divine Word.

#### Church Government Theocracy not Democracy

Some individuals feel that the church should be operated like the US government, which is a democracy. However, the church is established as a theocracy, not a democracy. The church needs to be led by the Word of God. It is very essential to understand that democracy does not make the church possible but it is the church that makes democracy possible.

#### **Importance of Authority**

God places authority in all our lives from our employer, parents, and the law of the land, so that there is no chaos and lawlessness. When we are submitted to the authority in our lives, God protects and blesses us through submission to authority.

The head and leadership of the church is very critical, because without the leadership of the church functioning properly, the rest of the body will suffer. Christ is the head of the church and God has appointed leaders to facilitate His directives. God has entrusted to the Pastor of the church the responsibility of making sure the rest of the body is heading towards the vision and direction that God has ordained and placed in his heart (Pastor). It is very similar to our natural bodies where our brain is the main drive of our bodily functions. Now if we are brain dead, we would die or substantial damage would be stricken on our bodies. That is why through Jesus Christ, God has a Pastor leading the church and the Pastor has other leaders surrounding him, whether it is the Board of Directors, those from the

Five Fold Ministry or other Pastoral staff. As part of the church, it is our responsibility and duty under God to obey and submit ourselves under the leadership and authority of the church.

A rebellious and disobedient attitude can severely cripple the life and potential of the Body (Church). Therefore it is crucial that we safeguard our hearts against this temptation. The ones who come against the authority that God has established will have to face the Lord for their rebellious acts. The following are **key scriptures** that show how God feels about authority.

#### 1 Peter 2:13

"Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every authority instituted..."

#### Roman 13:1-5

"Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities..."

#### Numbers 16:32-35

The rebellion of Korah when they tried to turn on Moses, and God destroyed Korah and his men.

#### Numbers 12

Miriam and Aaron come against Moses; and Miriam was stricken with leprosy by God.

#### 1 Samuel 24:5-8

David had the opportunity to kill Saul, but he didn't, even though Saul was jealous and wanted to kill David. David recognized Saul was his authority and was anointed of the Lord.

#### Acts 23:1-5

Paul apologized to Ananias for rebuking him, when he realized he was the Lord's anointed high priest.

God honors and blesses those who honor and submit to authority.

**Matthew 10:41 says**, "Anyone who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward..."

To come against authority is to come against God and it is an act of rebellion directly from Satan. **1 Samuel 15:23** – "For rebellion is as the sin of divination, and insubordination is as iniquity and idolatry. Rebellion is a very poisonous sin. Oftentimes when people come against authority they influence other individuals around them, which in turn bring about destructive consequences for the body. Many churches have split and many individuals have left churches because they got offended and did not want to submit to authority. This is not the will of God.

#### Leaders, Support Ministry, and Christian Workers

**1 Corinthians 12:12** "The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body...For we are all baptized by one Spirit into one body."

1 Corinthians 12:27 "Now you are the Body of Christ, and each one of you is part of it. And in the church God has appointed first all apostles, second prophets, third teacher then workers of miracles, also those having gifts of healing, those able to help others, those with gifts of administration, and those speaking in different kinds of tongues"

As our own human body is one, but has many parts and carries out different functions, the body of Christ functions that way also. Our church consists of different individuals who help support the structure of the church and perform different tasks in the ministry.

The members of our church body need to be unified and have a strong foundation.

(Matthew 7:24-27); if we are not in unity, we will handicap our work for the body of Christ. This is why it is very important that the members are working in love, unity, and humility. A lack in anyone of these

components can bring division in the church. At Living Water Pentecostal Church, we feel it is our responsibility to emphasize and teach the importance of a strong foundation to our leaders, workers, volunteers and our church family.

There is absolutely no tolerance of gossip, complaining and dissension toward any church leader or member. **Proverbs 17:4 says** "A wicked doer giveth heed to false lips; and a liar giveth ear to a naughty tongue."

Our purpose and vision as a church is to love one another and be kind to each other for this is the heart of God for mankind. One of Jesus' statements to His disciples is to love one another, for this is the only way that the world will know who He is, and us as His disciples. "Love must be sincere...be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in Hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality" (Romans 12:9–13)

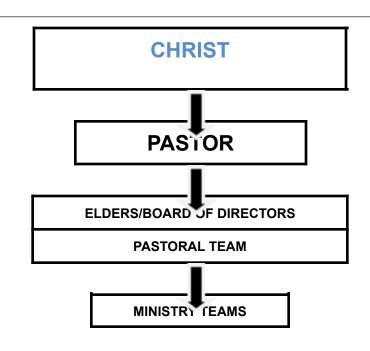
Our goal is to build and equip effective workers and leaders for the ministry. In order to do this we have created a Ministers In Training Classes to help us recognize and build on those individuals within the body that are ready to work and wholeheartedly commit toward the building of a strong congregational foundation for God's Kingdom and Will.

Below is a brief outline of the different levels of Support and Service that function or will function in our ministry.

#### Levels of Service:

- **Builders** Anointed workers and laborers
- **Supporters** Anointed Team Leaders, worship leaders, prayer, visitation team, Sunday school teachers, Department heads, and small group leaders.
- **Producers** Department Heads, Sunday school teachers, and small group leaders.
- **Mobilizers** (Ordination) Fivefold minister, Apostle, Prophet, Evangelist, Pastor, Teacher) appointed Elder.
- Ordination will be reserved for the Mobilizers only form the Five Fold Ministry
- Mobilizers are appointed by the Senior Pastor with the confirmation of the elders or Boards of Directors.
- Mobilizers will be required to complete and ordination exam

## Living Water Pentacostal Church VI. FLOW CHART



Administration	Prayer and	Discipleship Ministry:	Koinonia Ministry:	Outreach Ministry:
Ministry:	counseling:	Men of Destiny	Praise & worship	Community
Finance ministry	<ul> <li>Intercessory</li> </ul>		Ministry	outreaches
Publication	teams	Women of Destiny	Youth ministry	Domestic missions
• I ublication	Prayer chains	Sunday School	Touti ministry	Domestic missions
<ul> <li>Fundraising</li> </ul>			Children's ministry	Overseas missions
	<ul> <li>Premarital</li> </ul>	Transitional		
Maintenance     Ministry	counseling	programs	Home fellowship     Ministry	Church Plant     Ministry
	<ul><li>Family</li></ul>	Ministers in training		
Information center	counseling	programs	Nursery Ministry	
	<ul> <li>General</li> </ul>	Pastors in training	Deacon's / Ushers	
• Business	counseling	programs	and greeters	
Development				
Follow up				

## Living Water Pentacostal Church VII. MEETINGS

#### **EXECUTIVE MEETING(s):**

The Pastor or head Elder will announce for these meetings, occasionally or as needed, to discuss and resolve all matters pertaining to Living Water Pentecostal Church. ONLY members of the Executive staff are to attend these meetings (see next section for members in the Executive staff). In order to proceed with the meeting, the majority of the members must attend otherwise; the Pastor will postpone or reschedule the meeting.

#### **QUARTERLY FINANCIAL MEETINGS:**

Our Financial meetings are held every three months (quarterly) during the year. The pastor who holds the meeting together with his Officer's (Secretary and Treasurer of the church). discussions pertaining to the financial aspect of the ministry is a sensitive and confidential matter therefore; only Members of the Executive staff, Deacon's, and Ministry leaders and its Officers are to attend; however, should any other member of the church need a copy of the financial report please see the Officers of the church. In order to proceed with the meeting, the majority of the members must attend.

#### **SPECIAL MEETING(s):**

The head Deacon or church Secretary will announce for these meetings, as needed, to discuss matters concerning the well-being of the Pastor and his family. (Please note, that because the nature of the meeting is for the Pastor and his family, this is the ONLY exception of excusing the Pastor and his family from the meeting, otherwise for all other meetings which concern our establishment, the Pastor MUST be present.) Upon the announcement, the Secretary of the church will notify the Executive staff, Pastoral team, Deacon's, Ministry leaders, and members of LWPC at least 5 days in advance of the date and time of meeting. This is an open discussion meeting amongst all attending members. To proceed with this meeting or before moving on a motion to vote, the majority of the members must attend, but in case the majority are not present then the Head Deacon, the Office of the church, and the Pastoral team will make the decision on how to proceed.

ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT THE CHURCH UNLESS OTHERWISE, INSTRUCTED BY THE PASTOR OR THE STAFF.

## Living Water Pentacostal Church VIII. CHURCH STAFF

#### **EXECUTIVE STAFF:**

This is the official Administrative staff that meets with the Pastor as needed to discuss and resolve all matters pertaining to the Living Water Pentecostal Church. The executive staff consists of the Pastor, Elders/Board of directors, Secretary and Treasurer of the Church. The Staff members understand vision, calling, and the importance of Integrity within the ministry and integrity of the Ministry.

#### **PASTORAL TEAM:**

This is a group of spiritual leaders (Laymen Preachers and Ministry Leaders) appointed by the Pastor, to assist the Pastor as needed with preaching and teaching the word of God, and also to pray for the need and the well-being of the ministry.

#### **DEACONS/USHERS:**

This is a group of affirmed individuals, who aid in the administration of the sacraments, lead small groups and other ministries, and assist the Executive staff and Pastoral team and other functions of the ministry, as needed.

#### H.E.L.P.S. MINISTRY:

These are members that operate in the ministry of helps, co-laboring with the Pastor to carry out the God-given vision of the ministry. These individuals assist in the work of the Lord in many ways. They can be found in every aspect of the ministry, such as ushers, greeters, sound, children's ministry, youth ministry, office help etc... H.E.L.P.S Ministry consists of volunteer workers, and is under the direct supervision of the director in charge of that particular department, and must meet certain qualifications.

## Living Water Pentacostal Church IX. MINISTRIES

**Administration:** Is the heart from which the ministry is organized and mobilized. It consists of daily church policies, procedures, operations and includes office/clerical duties. This department also runs all the Publications.

**Praise and worship:** This ministry consists of vocals as well as instrumental music, which assists the congregation to enter into praise and worship to prepare the hearts to hear the Word. Our mission for our Worship Ministry is to cultivate an atmosphere where the people of God can experience intimate communion with the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, which will result in increased maturity and greater service for God's Kingdom.

**Ushers and Greeters:** Our mission for Ushers and Greeters Ministry is to provide a loving and safe atmosphere so the people of God can worship and serve the Lord without distractions and to meet and greet people and our visitors.

**Children's ministry:** Our mission for our Children's Ministry is to produce Anointed boys and girls that have a clear and fun understanding of their relationship with Jesus Christ, and to instill in them the boldness and the responsibilities of being a witness for Him. Our children's ministry consists of teachers and assistants who are extensions of the pastor's heart and hands. (Ages 3 - 10 years old)

**Nursery Ministry:** Provides parents with the opportunity to have the youngest of our congregation cared for while their parents are in the service. (Ages 1-2 years old)

**Youth ministry:** Our mission for our Youth Ministry is to produce Anointed teenagers that have the passion and love for Jesus Christ, and are ready to storm the Gates of Hell In order to set the captives free and tear the devil's kingdom Down.

**Outreach Ministry:** Our goal for our outreach program is to reach the Lost within our city and unite the church within our city. Consist of those in the body who have a hunger and calling on their life to reach out and touch a lost and dying World.

Missions: To reach out to the people around the world with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

**Intercessory prayer:** Consist of intercessors and prayer partners dedicated to the ministry of prayer to see God's purposes and plan come forth in our local body and community.

**Men's and Women's Fellowship:** To provide a means for men and women of Living Water Pentecostal Church to come together and build a strong Godly relationship with the Lord.

**Food Ministry:** Our goal is to provide a food pantry to help provide for our church members who are in need as well as anyone or family who are in need of such.

**Sound Ministry:** Provides technology for the music and drama teams, including community outreaches.

**Fellowship/Special events:** Our mission for our Fellowship/Special Event Ministry is to provide opportunities for the church family to build strong bonds of friendship and love.

**Bus Ministry:** Provides transportation for those needing a ride to church on Sundays for services and weekly activities of the church. Our mission for the bus Ministry is to go into the highways and byways and bring people to worship services.

If You would like to know more about these Ministries or to get involved, please contact the office. Thank you!

### Living Water Pentacostal Church X. H.F.L.P.S. MINISTRY

#### How to get involved

Outlined Below are the basic requirements for any individual that would like to get involved in leading, and working or volunteering in any of the different Ministry areas:

- 1. A Heart for God and a lifestyle of Worship, Prayer, Witness & the Word. (1 Tim 4:12)
- 2. A Heart for Living Water Pentecostal Church and its Mission and Vision. (Amos 3:3)
- 3. A member of Living Water Pentecostal Church
- 4. Submission to The Living Water Pentecostal Church leadership team. (Rom 13:1-2)
- 5. Faithful Tither (Malachi 3:8-10)
  - a. Every leader/worker will be accountable to pay their tithes
  - b. Mark tithe on envelopes
  - c. Monthly tide report will be issued quarterly
  - d. Leadership/Worker responsibility will be forfeited if not tithing
- 6. Criminal background checks (1Thess 5:12)
  - a. Every worker/volunteer in the church will be required to submit a Criminal Background Check.
  - b. The purpose of the Criminal Background Check is for insurance requirements and safety issues.
- 7. Church/Bible study/Prayer Attendance and Participation (Heb 10:24-25)
  - a. Forsake not the Gathering of the Saints
  - b. People follow the example of the leaders
  - c. Your participation is tangible proof that you support vision
  - d. One who is planted in the house of God flourishes

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### XI. STEWARDSHIPS OF FINANCES TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Every Christian is responsible to pay their tithes and offerings and is accountable to God. The word tithe comes from the Hebrew meaning 10% (a tenth of your increase or income). We as Believers have to understand that our tithe does not belong to us, but to God. Prior to the "Law", God's people tithed faithfully, some examples are ABRAHAM and JACOB. It was how they responded to the faithfulness of God in their lives.

Some individuals believe they do not have to tithe, because it is not a "New Testament" belief, however, that is very flawed thinking. Firstly, Jesus did not come to get rid of the law, but to fulfill the law (Matthew 5:17). Secondly, the New Testament clearly states that we are to give ALL, therefore, if we only believe in the New Testament, then we should be giving everything (2 Cor 8:3), and not only 10%. The tithe is just the beginning of our giving, if we cannot give the 10%, what makes us think we will give beyond the tithe? Giving our tithes and offerings should not be a way to constrict us, but as a way for God to open the doors for an overflow of blessings and to protect us from the devourer (Satan).

Furthermore, tithes and offerings are a relationship between God and his people. It is to show how much we love and value his word. God's word states to bring your tithes and offerings into the storehouse that there may be food in my house. (Malachi 3:10) The Storehouse is where you get fed, this is your local church. The reason the Lord says to bring your tithes into the storehouse, is so that there is meat in the house of the Lord in order for the work of the body of Christ to be fulfilled. These Works enable the gospel to touch many lives. The following are a few examples of how your tithes and offerings support the ministry. Our facility monthly rent and utilities, our monthly supplies, all Ministry documents needed, support Pastor and family, worship instruments, Etc...

As we grow and observe the hand of God establishing his church, we will need a home for the ministry (our own place of worship). We need a lot of financial support in this area. We will also be launching new Ministries such as: Outreach Ministry radio or television ministry, children's ministry, and much more as the Lord blesses us. We will work on one thing at a time as the good Lord prompts for this is what we are called to do.

Below Are just a few reasons why tithing and offering is an important part of being a Christian:

- 1. Obedience, the Bible tells us to. (Leviticus 27:30)
- 2. It is not ours, it belongs to God. (Malachi 3:8)
- 3. It proves our trust and faith in the Lord to supply all our needs. (2 Cor 9:8)
- 4. It opens up doors of opportunity and an overflow of blessings. (Malachi 3:10-12)
- 5. It protects us from areas of our lives where Satan wants to destroy us. (Malachi 3:10)

It proves the level of Love, commitment and support for our local church, and most importantly to the Lord. (2 Cor 8:2-3)

## Living Water Pentacostal Church XII. CHURCH COMMITMENT

Church commitment is very vital to your walk in the Lord. It is very telling of our relationship with God. The church is a place where we come to worship and learn more about God. The church is our covering and a place to come together with our family and Christ to Fellowship. Lastly, God uses the church to fulfill his purpose and will.

In order for us as Christians to grow and reach our full potential we should have a local church where we are rooted and actively involved. Psalms 92:13 says, "The righteous will flourish like a palm tree, they will grow like a cedar of Lebanon; planted in the house of the Lord, they will flourish in the courts of our God. They will stay fresh and green."

Just Like a tree or plant that needs to be rooted and fed in order to live, we as church members also need the same. It is very unhealthy for Christians to not be planted; if they are not, they will begin to wither like a plant pulled out from its roots.

The Bible states that it is very important for us to come together as the Body of Christ to worship and fellowship with one another. **Hebrew 10:25 says**, "Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another, and all the more as you see the day approaching."

#### **How To benefit from membership**

The purpose of becoming a member in a local church is to put yourself in a position where you can be taught the word of God in order to develop your spiritual maturity, and function as a viable part of the body of Christ. According to **Ephesians 4:11**, the ministry gifts were given to equip the saints for works of service. It is our goal to minister to you in such a way that you may mature in all of God's will for your life.

You can get the most out of the membership by understanding your purpose of being a member. We are committed to meet the spiritual needs you have and to stand before you anointed to teach the things of God in a manner where you can understand and apply them.

We have Fellowship opportunities available to help you grow in your walk with the Lord. These opportunities include Worship Services, Bible studies, Prayer Meetings, Men and Women's Fellowship, Youth Services and Activities, Community Outreaches, and other special events throughout the year. Your participation in these fellowship opportunities will determine the level of spiritual and relational growth you will experience. We strongly encourage you as a member to get involved.

## Living Water Pentacostal Church XIII. MEMBERSHIP FORM

#### **Becoming a Member of Living Water Pentecostal Church**

As the Pastor of Living Water Pentecostal Church Ministry, I have put together this membership packet for your knowledge and understanding of how our ministry operated and structured. Therefore, on this page, after reading and understanding our vision and mission, and you have decided in your heart as the Lord prompts you so, to be a member or part of this ministry, please answer a few questions below by circling the best that applies to you. The reason for this membership form is so that I, the Pastor of this church and the administration staff, will know who the members are for record and notification purposes.

- 1. Do you agree with our statement of faith?
  - a. Yes
  - b. Undecided but willing to learn more about it
- 2. Do you agree to Support the Vision and Missions of Living Water Pentecostal Church by committing yourself to be a member?
  - a. Yes, I will support this ministry and I want to be a member
  - b. Undecided but willing to learn more about it

If you have answered "Yes" to these questions, please fill in the blanks below, sign and date. However, if you are still undecided please feel free to let me know what your thoughts are or concerns on becoming a member. I am more than happy to discuss any concerns you may have or answer any of your questions.

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## Living Water Pentacostal Church XIV. CLOSING

We believe this membership packet will be very helpful to you, and will enable you to understand the heartbeat of this ministry. We are extremely thankful that you have become a part of our LWPC Family and are committed to the continued growth of your spiritual life and walk with the Lord Jesus Christ.

Blessings from the LWPC Ministry Family