



Membership Covenant:

I acknowledge that I am a Christian and Jesus Christ has established, and is building His church. In particular, the local church. The Highlands Community Church is one of those local church bodies charged with the benefits and responsibilities that Christian believers need in community, spiritual growth, fellowship, and commitment. Some of these benefits and responsibilities are described in the following: preaching, teaching, worship, encouragement, church restoration, discipleship, counseling, and service in ministry support. Therefore, as a follower of Jesus Christ, it is my sincere desire to be united with this church in membership, joyfully, and thoughtfully entering into a bond of mutual encouragement, fellowship, and accountability with the other members of this body.

I affirm:

- A. I am actively seeking to become a member of this local body of believers as a believer in the Lord Jesus Christ known as The Highlands Community Church.
- B. I understand The Highlands Community Church is represented in Christian doctrine as a Non-Denominational church, and utilizing the Word of God as its absolute basis in belief. I am willing to be taught according to the Confession of Faith in which this church believes to be an accurate summary of biblical truth on the essentials of the faith. I will reject all heretical beliefs and practices, using God's inerrant Scripture and Word as the final authority.
- C. I realize that The Highlands Community Church is governed by a plurality of Pastors and its Elders in service and keeping with the Biblical New Testament example and teachings.
- D. I will faithfully participate with this church in worship, prayer, study, fellowship, financial support, and the ordinances of baptism and communion, and will use my spiritual gifts for the common good. Through my involvement, and even sacrifice, I will seek to illustrate to my family and a watching world, the immense significance of life in the body of Christ.
- E. In addition to attending the regular meetings of our church in the spirit of a true disciple of Christ, I will diligently train myself and my family in the discipline and instruction of the Lord, seeking to develop Christian character, knowledge, and skills.

- F. I acknowledge that sin leaves me with weaknesses and failures, I will strive to live a godly life; pursuing holiness and seeking genuine repentance and forgiveness when necessary. I will not abuse or treat as cheap the grace of God by which we are all
- G. I will accept and fellowship with all members, regardless of ethnicity, gender, background, social status, level of education, etc. since all are of equal value in Christ.
- H. I will pursue peace with all people, especially with other believers, always being slow to take offense and eager to reconcile. I will shun gossip and divisive words, knowing that they are destructive to Christian fellowship.
- I. I will seek to live a life that is above reproach. I will be just and honest in my dealings and faithful in my responsibilities and commitments. I will abide by the standards of purity and ethical integrity as taught in the Bible.
- J. I will watch over the other members in love as they watch over me. I will remember them in prayer, help them in sickness and distress, promote their spiritual growth, and encourage them to love and do good deeds.
- K. I will seek to maintain a healthy marriage and godly relationship with my children (if applicable) as I know this honors God and is designed to picture the relationship between Christ and the Church. If I am single, I will seek to maintain healthy relationships with others, especially the household of faith.
- L. I will contribute cheerfully, voluntarily, and regularly to this church as God's Word teaches, for its general ministry and expenses, the relief of the poor, the cause of reformation and revival, and the spread of the Gospel throughout the world. I will dedicate myself, and my possessions, to the cause of Christ as a faithful steward by God's grace.
- M. I will pray for, seek, and actively proclaim the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ for the salvation of my family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, acquaintances, and people of all nations. I will do my very best to become a Great Commission believer.
- N. I promise to remain faithful to this church in membership. I will consult with the pastor in advance if I sense that God is directing me elsewhere. If I must leave, I will leave with charity, peace, and grace, uniting with another church in faith.
- O. In summary, I will endeavor to honor the Commandment to Love the Lord my God with all my heart, soul, mind and strength and to love my neighbor as myself.

Signature: _____

Date: _____