

Membership Covenant of Story Church of Kelowna

Preamble: Our community encompasses brokenness, but we have hope because it is a community completely founded on the grace of Christ Jesus. The commitments that follow, given to us by God, we will utterly fail to accomplish apart from that great grace. Our greatest commitment is to our need of grace. In that grace alone we commit to obedience in these things. We fail, but God never does. His grace is our bond.

Covenant: The congregation of Story Church of Kelowna is a community of Christians committed to glorifying God and to being faithful disciples of Jesus Christ. Therefore, we align our purpose, vision, and goals with God's ultimate purpose of bringing glory to Himself, and we commit ourselves:

to adhere to the whole counsel of God as contained in the Bible. (2 Timothy 3:14-17)

to encourage and edify one another for one another's spiritual growth. (Ephesians 4:11-16)

to live holy and exemplary lives submitting to Christ's lordship and being filled with the Holy Spirit, avoiding all spiritual defilement, practicing integrity in all conduct and showing love and kindness in all communications, thereby being living witnesses to God's grace and His power to transform lives. (2 Peter 3:14-18; Ephesians 5:18-21)

to walk together in Christian love, ministering to one another as brothers and sisters in Christ, praying for one another, and helping one another when in need. We will seek the good of others rather than our own (I Corinthians 10:24), being careful not to be a stumbling block to anyone. (I Corinthians 8:9-14 and 10:23-33).

to guard the unity of the group (Ephesians 4:3), being slow to take offense, being judgmental of no one, and forgiving and granting forgiveness (Ephesians 4:29-32). When there is controversy, we will resolve differences in a spirit of Christian love; and when tensions arise, these are to be addressed by the parties concerned, with a loving, humble, and respectful attitude. (Romans 14:7-12)

to live as faithful witnesses of Jesus Christ (Acts 1:8) so that others hear the Gospel and place their trust in Him as their Saviour and Lord (Acts 1:8; Matthew 28:19).