

BCOB MEMBERSHIP COVENANT

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we do now, in the presence of God, and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another as one Body in Christ:

- To in both our private and our public life be faithful in spirit and in deed to God's Ten Commandments and The Greatest Commandment (Matt. 22:36-39);
- To walk together in Christian love by the aid of the Holy Spirit and commit ourselves as members to honor, esteem, and love one another;
- To be zealous in advancing the kingdom of God with grace, gentleness and reverence;
- To strive for the advancement of this church and its ministries; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines;
- To contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel through all nations; and to manage all the resources God has entrusted to us in such a way that He is glorified;
- To maintain family and private devotions; to educate our children religiously; to seek the salvation of our relatives, friends, neighbors and associates;
- To walk worthy of our calling in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful to engagements, and exemplary in our conduct; to avoid malicious use of the tongue; to keep our testimonies above reproach;
- To live our lives and to treat our bodies in a way that reflects our respect for them as God's temple and to avoid living in such a manner as may be a stumbling block to others;
- To watch over one another in Christian love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation and, mindful of the rules of our Savior, to secure it without delay;
- To seek to identify, develop and utilize spiritual gifts and abilities; to seek a place of service within the body, with the support and affirmation of the body;
- To pledge that when we move from this place, we will unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.