

COVENANT OF FELLOWSHIP

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 Ghost, we do now in the presence of God, angels and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, under the authority of Scripture, and by the aide of the Holy Spirit,

To walk together in Christian love,

To strive for the advancement of this church, in knowledge, holiness, and comfort,

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.

We also engage,

To maintain family and secret devotions,

To religiously educate our children,

To live uprightly before God and man, recognizing our roles within our families, and in our church, as husbands and wives, married and unmarried, parents and children.

To seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances,

To walk circumspectly in the world,

To be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment,

To avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger,

To abstain from drunkenness, from the use of all illegal drugs, and from the inappropriate use of all drugs or medications,

To be zealous in our efforts in the advancement of the cause of our Savior.

We further engage,

To watch over one another in brotherly 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, always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of the rules of our Savior to secure reconciliation without delay.

We moreover engage that, when we remove from this place, we will as soon as possible unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.