

# LIFEGATE Church

## Membership Covenant

To submit to the authority of Christ revealed in the inspired,  
inerrant, and authoritative Scriptures.

*Psalms 119, 2 Timothy 3:14–17, 2 Peter 1:19–21*

To pursue the Lord Jesus Christ through regular Bible reading,  
prayer, fellowship and practicing spiritual disciplines.

*Luke 18:1, Acts 17:11, 1 Corinthians 9:24–27,  
Ephesians 5:1–21, 1 Thess. 5:12–22*

To follow the command and example of Jesus by taking the step of believers  
baptism, if not already baptized of one's own decision.

To practice presence in weekly gatherings, gospel-centered formation,  
communal prayer, and acts of hospitality.

*Acts 2:42–4, Hebrews 10:23–25, Titus 3:14*

To intentionally build an inter-ethnic, inter-generational, and Gospel  
centered community.

*Acts 2:42–47, Matthew 28:18–20*

To be active in God's commandment to love God, love my neighbor as myself and be  
active in the great commission to make disciples of all nations.

To steward the resources God has given me, including time, talents, spiritual  
gifts and finances. This includes practicing the 10% tithe and engaging in  
service that is cheerful, sacrificial, and voluntary.

*Matthew 25:14–30, Romans 12:1–2,  
2 Corinthians 8–9, 1 Peter 4:10–11*

To strive through the power of the Holy Spirit to walk in holiness in all areas of  
life as an act of worship to Jesus Christ

*1 Peter 1:13–16, 4:1–3*

To take seriously the responsibility of Christian freedom, especially actions or situations that could present a stumbling block to another.

*1 Corinthians 8:1–13*

To submit to the discipline of God through the Holy Spirit by receiving righteous and loving correction, that is aimed at repentance and restoration when approached biblically by fellow believers or the church.

*Psalms 141:5, Matthew 18:15–20,  
1 Corinthians 5:9–13, Hebrews 12:5–11*

To practice biblical accountability when I have an issue, grievance, hurt or frustration with anyone in the body of Christ including the pastors/ elders, staff or other leaders.

*This means I will:*

- Avoid speaking with gossip, slander or judgement*
- Present my grievance to the person(s) responsible and follow the guidelines of Matthew 18*
- Willingly participate in the process of reconciliation in the hopes that the party that caused the grievance would confess, repent and work towards biblical reconciliation*

To practice confession (to God and others), repentance, and seeking help when a sin is committed.

*Romans 8:13, Colossians 3:5, James 5:16, 1 John*

To strive for unity and peace within the church through submission to Christ first and then to pastors/elders and other appointed leaders of the church.

*Ephesians 4:1-3, Hebrews 13:17, 1 Peter 5:5*

To hold the pastors/elders (those responsible for the handling of God's Word and the stewardship of the church's resources) accountable to the biblical standards of their role.

To notify a pastor or staff member if I am leaving LIFEGATE before the committed time and to seek another church where I can carry out the biblical responsibilities of a believer.