



MEMBERSHIP COVENANT

As a member of the body of Christ, I, believe...

1. **The 66 books of the Bible are God's inspired, true, and authoritative word, sufficient for transforming believers into who God wants them to be.**
Psa 19:7-11; 2 Tim 3:15-17; Heb 4:12; 2 Pet 1:20-21; Jude 1:3
2. **There is only one living and true God—the Creator and Owner of all things.**
Gen 1:1; Deut 6:4; Psa 24:1; Isa 45:5-7; John 17:3; 1 Cor 8:4-6; 1 Tim 2:5
3. **God eternally exists in three distinct Persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**
Matt 28:17-20; John 10:30; Rom 8:9; 1 Cor 12:4-6; 2 Cor 13:14
4. **God is perfectly holy and requires perfect obedience to His law.**
Matt 5:48; Rom 2:14-16; James 2:10; 1 Jn 1:5
5. **All people have broken God's law and have earned an eternal penalty.**
Psa 51:5; Jer 17:9; Rom 3:10-12, 23; 5:12; 6:23; 7:18; Eph 2:1-3; James 1:14-15
6. **No person can possibly be saved by his/her own good works.**
Isa 64:4; Eph 2:8-9; Titus 3:5
7. **Jesus Christ is truly and fully God, and truly and fully man.**
John 1:1-18; 5:19-29; 10:30; Php 2:5-11; Col 1:15-20; 2:9; Heb 1:1-12; 1 Jn 5:20
8. **Jesus Christ, as the sinless sacrifice, showed God's love by dying on the cross to pay the penalty of sin.**
John 3:16; Rom 5:8; 2 Cor 5:21; Col 1:21-22; 1 Pet 2:21-24
9. **Jesus Christ rose physically from the dead, ascended into heaven, and will one day physically return.**
Luke 24:5-7; John 14:3; Acts 1:11; 1 Cor 15; Php 3:20-21; 1 Thes 4:16; Heb 9:28; 1 Jn 3:2; Rev 1:7
10. **Salvation and eternal life are only possible through Jesus Christ. God calls all people to repentance from sin and faith in the person and work of Jesus Christ. Those who reject, refuse, or rebel against Jesus Christ will receive eternal judgment.**
Matt 8:10-12; 25:41-46; Mark 9:43-48; John 3:18, 35-36; 5:22-24; 14:6; Acts 4:12; Rom 3:21-26; 10:8-15; 1 Tim 2:5-6; 2 Thes 1:8-9

Since God's grace has brought me to repentance and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and upon being baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, I will, as a member of FBBC, rely on the power of the Holy Spirit as I commit myself to the following:

- **CORPORATE WORSHIP** — I will seek to faithfully assemble with the local body of believers. I will biblically test instruction from the Scriptures, stimulate others to love and good deeds, and exercise my spiritual gifts in faithful service. *Acts 1:14; 2:42; 17:11; 20:7; Rom 12:4-8; 1 Thes 5:20-21; Heb 3:13; 10:23-25; 1 Pet 4:10*
- **HOLINESS** — I will diligently exercise self-control so that my lifestyle demonstrates that I am a citizen of heaven. I will demonstrate Christian love and personal holiness as the word of God describes it. I will seek God's help to abstain from any drugs, food, drink, entertainment, or practices that would bring harm to the church body or endanger someone's faith, including my own. *Matt 18:6-9; Rom 14; 1 Cor 10; Eph 4:17-5:18; Titus 2; 1 Pet 2:9-12*
- **STEWARDSHIP** — I will be a good steward of God's blessings. I will consistently and cheerfully contribute time, talent, and resources, to the degree God provides, so that the ministry of spreading the gospel can continue in my local church and around the world. *Matt 25:14-30; Luke 12:42-46; 16:11; 2 Cor 8-9; Eph 5:15-16; 1 Tim 6:17-19*
- **EVANGELISM** — I will seek to teach biblical truth to my family and those in my community, as God gives me opportunity. My desire is to see them come to trust Jesus Christ and be saved. *Deut 6:1-9; Psa 78:4-7; Matt 28:18-20; Mark 16:15-16; Luke 24:46-48; Acts 1:8; Rom 10:14-17; 1 Pet 2:9-10; 3:14-16*
- **PRAYER** — I will pray regularly for the ministry here at church, for my brothers and sisters in Christ, for the leadership and direction of the church, and for the lost who need the Savior. *Matt 6:5-15; 9:37-38; Rom 15:30; 2 Cor 1:11; Eph 1:15-23; 3:14-21; 6:18-20; Php 1:3-5; Col 1:3-6; 4:3; 1 Thess 5:16-18, 25; 2 Thess 3:1; 1 Tim 2:1-6; 5:5; James 5:16*
- **MUTUAL CARE** — I will seek to watch over my brothers and sisters in brotherly love, to aid those in sickness or distress, to cultivate Christian sympathy and courtesy, to be slow to take offense, and to give and receive admonition and instruction, yet always with meekness and love. *Matt 18:15-20; 25:34-40; Gal 6:9-10; James 1:27; 1 Tim 5; Matt 18; 1 Jn 3:17-18*
- **UNITY** — I will do all I can to preserve unity in the congregation. This includes my commitment to ask for and grant forgiveness when necessary, to restrain from divisive speech, to honor and submit to the church's leadership as well as any decision made by vote of the congregation, and not to teach any doctrine or practice which is contrary to the church's statement of faith or its doctrinal distinctives. *Prov 16:28; 20:19; Matt 5:9; 18:21-35; 1 Cor 6:1-8; 2 Cor 2:7-10; 12:20; Eph 4:1-3, 30-32; Col 3:8-14; 1 Thes 5:12-15; 1 Tim 5:17; Heb 13:7, 17; 1 Pet 5:5*

May the Spirit of God use His word to grow every member
in knowledge, faith, love, holiness, and ministry,
as we work together locally and globally
as the body of Christ.