

Grace Community Bible Church Commitment

Adopted August 12, 2022, in Tomball, Texas

- (1) Having been led by the Holy Spirit and brought by divine grace to repent and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ and having been baptized upon our profession of faith, in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, we do now, in light of His gracious aid, solemnly and joyfully affirm our commitment with God and one another (Matt. 28:18-20; Acts 11:18).
- (2) We will walk together in brotherly love, as is fitting for members of a Christian church, exercising an affectionate care and watchfulness over each other and faithfully admonishing and encouraging one another as needed. We will rejoice with each other and endeavor with tenderness and sympathy to bear the burdens and sorrows of one another (Rom. 12:9-13; 15:14; 1 Thess. 5:14).
- (3) We will work and pray for the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace as one body in Christ, being slow to take offence and eager for reconciliation. We will submit to our church leaders in the Lord and avoid grumbling or divisive behavior (1 Cor. 1:10; Eph. 4:1-3; Phil. 2:1-3; 4:2; Heb. 13:17).
- (4) We will seek to use our time, gifts and talents to serve others and to build up this body of Christ. We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together, nor forsake attending to the ordinances of baptism and the Lord's Supper, nor neglect to pray for one another (Acts 2:42-47; Rom. 14:4-8; 1 Cor. 12:4-11; 24-26; Eph. 6:18; Heb. 10:24-25).
- (5) We will be faithful in regular Bible reading and prayer and growing in love for God and others. We will seek to fulfill our biblical responsibilities in marriage and in the home, bringing up our children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord (Eph. 5:22-6:4; Col. 4:2; 1 Tim. 4:13; 1 John 4:7-8, 21).
- (6) We will seek, by God's enabling grace, to walk in personal holiness in the world, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, remembering that we have been buried with Christ and raised to walk in newness of life. We will seek to not be conformed to this world but to be transformed by the renewing of our minds and to be salt and light in our community (Matt. 5:13-16; Rom. 12:1-2; 13:14; Phil. 1:27; Titus 2:11-14; 1 Pet 1:15-19).
- (7) We will seek, by our example and our witness, the salvation of family, friends, and others. We will also endeavor to disciple those in the church who are younger in the faith (Matt. 28:18-20; Luke 24:46-48; Eph. 6:19-20; Col. 4:3; 2 Tim. 2:2; Titus 2:3).
- (8) We will work together for the continuance of a faithful Bible-teaching ministry in this church, as we sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines. We will contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of this church, and the spread of the Gospel through all nations (1 Cor. 9:3-14; 2 Cor. 9:6-15; 1 Tim. 4:11-16).
- (9) We will, when we move from this place, as soon as possible, unite with another likeminded church where we can carry out the spirit of this commitment and the principles of God's Word (Acts 2:47; Heb. 10:24-25).
- (10) May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. Amen (2 Cor. 13:14).

Signed by: _____ Date: _____