

CHURCH COVENANT OF METRO BAPTIST CHURCH

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour; Jn.1:12; Isa.12:2; Jn.3:16; Act.16:31/20:21;

And, on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; Act.2:38/8:36-38; Mt.28:18-20; Mk.16:15,16;

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; Act.2:1; Php.2:2; 1Cor1:10/12:14-27; Rom.12:4-8; Eph.2:19-22; Amos 3:3;

We endeavour, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit:

To walk together in Christian love; Jn.13:34,35/15:12,17; Rom.12:9,10/15:5,6; 1Jn.2:10; Amos 3:3;

To strive for the advancement of this New Testament Baptist church in knowledge, holiness, and comfort; Heb.10:24,25; 1Sam.12:23; Jas.5:16; 2Pet.3:18;

To promote its prosperity and spirituality; Eph.4:11,12; 1Cor.16:2; 1Thess.5:14; Mt.18:15-17

To sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines; Heb.10:25; Act.2:42; Rom.6:3-14; 1Pet.2:9; Mt.18:15-17;

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 to all the nations; 2Cor.9:7; 1Thess.5:14; Mal.3:8-10; Heb.13:17; Gal.6:6;

To maintain family and private devotions; 2Cor.8:5; Mt.6:6/7:7; Lk.18:1

To religiously educate our children; Eph.6:4; Dt.6:7-12; Pro.22:6; 2Tim.3:15;

To seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; Mt.5:16/28:19,20; Rom.9:3/10:1; Mk.5:19;

To walk circumspectly in the world; Eph.4:1-3; 1Thess.5:15; 1Jn.2:15; Col.3:17;

To be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements and exemplary in our deportment; 1Pet.2:12, 21; Heb.13:21; Php.3:16-18;

To avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger; Mt.12:36; Rom.1:30; Eph.4:26,29-31; Pro.6:16-19/26:20;

To abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage; Pro.20:1/23:29-32; Eph.5:18; 1Thess.5:22; 1Cor.3:16,17/6:19,20;

To abstain from all forms of immorality;

To abstain from memberships in Lodges and secret societies and avoid taking secret oaths which are contrary to Scripture; 2Cor.6:14-18; Ps.1:1; Eph.5:11,12; 2Jn.9-11; Mt.5:34-37; Jas.5:12; Ex.20:27; Lev.5:4-6;

To be zealous of in our efforts to advance the work of the Saviour: Jn.15:16/20:21; 2Cor.15:58; 2Cor.5:20; Gal.4:18; Titus 2:14; Rev. 3:19;

To watch over one another in brotherly love; Rom.12:10; 1Thess.4:9/5:11; Gal.6:2; 1Cor.5:13; Rom.14:7; 2Thess.3:14-15; Heb.13:1/10:24;

To remember each other in prayer; Rom1:9; Heb.13:18; Eph.6:18; 1Sam.12:23;

To aid each other in sickness and distress; Rom.12:15; Php.4:16;

To cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; 1Jn.3:17,18; Jas.3:13; Col.3:17/4:6;

To be slow to take offense but always ready for reconciliation and mindful of the laws of our Saviour, to secure it without delay; 1Cor.6:7; Mt.18:15,21,22; Rom.14:19;

That when we remove from this place we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other New testament Church of like faith and practice where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word; Act.18:27; Rom.16:1,2; Heb.10:25; Gal.1:19;