# Good News Church Covenant Partner Commitment

**COMMIT** - I have read and embrace the beliefs, behaviors, vision, mission, and values of Good News Church GA, and it is my desire to commit as a Covenant Partner of Good News Church.

**ADMIT** - I recognize and admit that I am a sinner saved by grace committing to other sinners saved by grace, and that we are all under the Lordship, love, and authority of Jesus Christ. Therefore, I and we will strive to love each other as Christ has loved us and will promote and protect the truth of God's Word, the unity of the Church, and peace in relationships, inside and outside the Church.

**SUBMIT** - I recognize that the Church is the family of God, and I am called by God to submit to His authority, to the leadership of His Church, and to one another. Therefore, I humbly place myself under the loving authority of God, His Church, and His people.

**LIVE IT** - It is my commitment to live out the Good News as an Ambassador of Christ's love, not in my own strength and ability but in the strength and ability of the Holy Spirit, all by His grace. It is my desire to share my life (time, talent, treasure) with our community and our Church family as they share their lives with me.

**SHARE IT** - I am aware that my brokenness, wounds, and lack are great assets to God and what He will likely use most in shining the light of His love in and through my life. Therefore, I commit to the work of ministry and mission such that more people may hear, know, and experience the love of Christ, through my life.

Covenant Partner:	Date:
Spouse or Friend:	Date:
Pastor:	Date:

## The Culture & DNA of Good News Church GA

#### Beliefs

- I'm really broken, and I need help.
- Jesus is perfect and He is my help.
- Jesus is the only way to healing in my relationship with God.
- The Holy Spirit is my power to live as a follower of Jesus.
- God calls me to submit to His authority and to serve His Church

#### **Behaviors**

- Serving others valuing others greater than myself
- Reconciling relationships building bridges, not burning them
- Giving generously blessing others with my time, talent, and treasure

**Vision** - Our vision is "to experience and express LOVE from God and to others." The verse that undergirds our vision is, Galatians 5:6b, "The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love."

**Mission** – Our mission is "to connect with people and build relationships through community workshops, neighborhood-focused ministry, serving local needs, mentoring, and worship."

#### Whole Health Focus

It's our desire as a church to focus on health and growth in every area of our lives.

- Planet environmental health (conservation, protection, sanitation)
- People relational health (marriage, family, neighbors)
- **Body** physical and mental health (nutrition, exercise, rest)
- Soul spiritual health (purpose, identity, eternity)

### **Values**

- Being yourself No need to pretend to have it all together. None of us do, so come as you are and be yourself.
- Relationships Growing relationally with God (personal prayer and Bible reading), each other (mentoring), our neighbors, and in our community (mission and evangelism).
- Conversation We can all learn from and be encouraged by one another.
   Therefore, it's vitally important that everyone has an opportunity to engage in conversation through sharing (encouraging) and listening (learning).
- Discomfort It's how we grow. Plus, when we're willing to be uncomfortable (by sacrificing our personal preferences), others are enabled to experience comfort who may need it more than us.
- Hospitality Opening ourselves and our space to our neighbors is the best way to experience and express love.