MEMBERSHIP 101: DISCOVERING CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

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Why Do We Have This Class?

1. To make your membership meaningful
2. To help you grow in Christ
3. To fulfill God’s purpose for the church

The Need for Responsible Church Membership

- Collierville FBC is not interested in just collecting members.
- Don’t confuse a CROWD with a CHURCH.
- There are four different areas of commitment in our church fellowship:
  - The COMMUNITY - Uncommitted Persons
  - The CROWD - Those committed to attendance
  - The CONGREGATION - Those committed to membership
  - The CORE - Those committed to ministry

- Our goal is to lead as many people as possible from the COMMUNITY to participation in the CORE.
- The CORE is defined as RESPONSIBLE CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, and it consists of those persons who have committed their TIME, TALENT and TITHE to the life of Collierville First Baptist Church.
- This class is designed to lead you to become a part of the CORE of the church.
How to Become a Christian

Recognize Your Situation

1. You Are a Sinner
   - There is no one righteous, not even one;... Romans 3:10
   - ...Your sins have separated you from your God... Isaiah 59:2

2. You Cannot Save Yourself
   - Can the Ethiopian change his skin or the leopard its spots? Neither can you do good who are accustomed to evil. Jeremiah 13:23
   - For it is by grace you have been saved...it is the gift of God--not by works, so that no one can boast. Ephesians 2:8-9

3. Christ Is the Only Savior
   - Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved. Acts 4:12

Repent of Your Sins

- I have declared...that they must turn to God in repentance and have faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. Acts 20:21

Receive the Savior

1. God Extends a Call to You...
   - One of those listening was a woman named Lydia,...The Lord opened her heart to respond to Paul’s message. Acts 16:14

   God’s Call (John 16:8)
   - He will convict of SIN
   - He will convict of RIGHTEOUSNESS
   - He will convict of JUDGEMENT

2. Place Your Faith in Jesus Christ and Accept God’s Call
   - Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. Romans 10:13

Is there any reason you could not turn to God in salvation right now?

A Suggested Prayer

Lord...I admit that I am a sinner and that I am in need of your forgiveness and acceptance. I choose now to turn from my sin and give you my life to control. I commit to obey you and your will for my life. I now receive your wonderful gift of salvation. Help me to live for you and to never be ashamed of Christ. Amen.
I. WHO AM I?

My Faith Story

My Life Before Christ...

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How I Met Jesus Christ...

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My Life Since Christ Became My Lord and Savior...

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What the Bible Teaches about Baptism

The New Testament teaches many things concerning the ordinance of Baptism. Take a look at these important truths from Scripture.

Why Be Baptized?

Because you want to follow Christ's example.

At that time Jesus came from Nazareth and was baptized by John in the river. Mark 1:9

Because Christ commanded it.

Jesus said, ‘Go then, to all people everywhere and make them my disciples, baptize them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and then teach them to obey everything I have commanded you.’ Matthew 28:19-20

Because it shows you are a believer.

Many of the Corinthians who heard him believed and were baptized. Acts 18:8

Because obeying Christ's command shows you know Him.

We know that we have come to know Him, if we obey His commands. I John 2:3
What Is the Meaning of Baptism?

It is a symbol of Christ’s burial and resurrection. 
Christ died for our sins...he was buried...and he rose again. 
I Corinthians 15:3-4

It is a symbol of your new life as a Christian. 
When someone becomes a Christian he becomes a new person inside. The old life has passed away and a new life has begun! 
II Corinthians 5:17

By our baptism then we were buried with Him and shared His death, in order that just as Christ was raised from the dead we also might live a new life! 
Romans 6:4

Baptism does not make you a believer, it shows that you already are one! Baptism does not “save” you, only your faith in Christ does that. Baptism is like a wedding ring—it’s the outward symbol of the commitment you made in your heart.

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith...it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.” 
Ephesians 2:8-9

How Are We to Be Baptized?

Like Jesus was baptized, by being immersed in water. 
As soon as Jesus was baptized, He went up out of the water. Matthew 3:16

Every baptism in the Bible was by immersion under water. 
(Example) ...then both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water... Acts 8:38-39

The word “Baptize” literally means “to dip under water”.

It is the best way to picture a burial and resurrection.

Who Should Be Baptized?

As soon as you have believed! You shouldn’t delay. 
Those who believed...were baptized ...that day! 
Acts 2:41

Then Philip began with the Scripture and told him the Good News about Jesus. As they traveled along the road, they came to some water, and the eunuch said, ‘Look here is water! Why shouldn’t I be baptized right now?’ Philip said, ‘If you believe with all your heart, you may.’ The official answered, ‘I believe that Jesus
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Christ is the Son of God.’ Then both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water and Philip baptized him. Acts 8:36-39 (paraphrase)

There is no reason to delay. As soon as a person decides to believe in Christ, he or she can and should be baptized.

Will I Have to Say Anything?

Yes...you will be asked to give a public response to questions about your new faith in Jesus. At the beginning of the baptism service, the pastor will briefly explain the meaning of baptism. You will wait at the edge of the water for your turn to be baptized. The pastor will introduce you and briefly lower you just under the water. Then, you will leave the water to watch with the others.

What Else Should I Know?

- We hold baptisms in the baptistry of our Worship Center. There is plenty of room for your friends and relatives, we encourage you to invite them.

- A minister will usually baptize one person at a time, but families can enter the water together.

- Don’t be surprised when people clap at your baptism. It is a happy experience for every Christian when someone publicly identifies themselves as a believer by being baptized.

II. WHAT IS THE CHURCH?

Why We Exist (Our Purpose)

Collierville First Baptist Church exists to...glorify God by totally committing ourselves to Jesus Christ and to the explosive growth of His kingdom.

The local church is the instrument through which God’s family takes part in establishing the kingdom of God in the lives of people in the Collierville area and around the world. Collierville First Baptist Church emphasizes a balance of five essential functions for Christians to be effective in fulfilling the Great Commission. The five functions include:

- WORSHIP - Magnifying Christ
- FELLOWSHIP - Knowing Christ & Other Believers
- MATURITY & DISCIPLESHIP - Growing in Christ
- MINISTRY & SERVICE - Serving Christ
- MISSIONS & EVANGELISM - Sharing Christ
II. WHAT IS THE CHURCH?

What We Believe
(Our Faith)

The Baptist Faith and Message (BFM) is the doctrinal statement of Collierville First Baptist Church. The following summary statements are excerpted from that document. To view the BFM in its entirety, log on to: http://www.fbccoll.org/whatwe.htm.

...about Jesus Christ

Jesus Christ is the Son of God. He is co-equal with the Father. Jesus lived a sinless human life and offered Himself as the perfect sacrifice for the sins of all humankind by dying on a cross. He arose from the dead after three days to demonstrate His power over sin and death. He ascended to Heaven's glory and will return again to earth to reign as King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

Matthew 1:22-23; Isaiah 9:6; John 1:1-5; John 14:10-13; I Corinthians 15:3-4; Romans 1:3-4; Acts 1:9-11; I Timothy 6:14-15; Titus 2:13

...about the Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of God. He is present in the world to make humankind aware of our need for Jesus Christ. He also lives in every Christian from the moment of salvation. He provides the Christian with power for living, understanding of spiritual truth, and guidance in doing what is right. The Christian seeks to live under His control daily.

II Corinthians 3:17; John 16:7-13; John 14:16-17; Galatians 5:25; I Corinthians 2:12 & 3:16; Ephesians 1:13 & 5:18

...about God

God is the Creator and Ruler of the universe. He has eternally existed in three persons: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. These three are co-equal and are one God.

Genesis 1:1, 26, 27 & 3:22; Psalm 90:2; Matthew 28:19; I Peter 1:2; II Corinthians 13:14

...about Mankind

We are all made in the spiritual image of God, to be like Him in character. We are the supreme object of God's creation. Although humankind has tremendous potential for good, we are marred by an attitude of disobedience toward God called “sin”. This attitude separates us from God.

Genesis 1:27; Psalm 8:3-6; Isaiah 53:6a & 59:1,2; Romans 3:23
...about Eternity

We are all created to exist forever. We will either exist eternally separated from God by sin, or in union with God through forgiveness and salvation. The place of eternal separation from God is called Hell. Heaven is the place of eternal union and eternal life with God.

John 3:16; Romans 6:23; Revelation 20:15 (about Hell); Matthew 24:14; Revelation 21:27 (about Heaven); 1 John 5:11-13

...about Salvation

Salvation is a gift from God to humankind. We can never make up for our sin by self-improvement or by doing good deeds. Only by trusting in Jesus Christ as God’s offer of forgiveness can we be saved from sin’s penalty. Eternal life begins the moment we receive Jesus Christ into our life by faith.

Romans 6:23; Ephesians 2:8-9; John 14:6 & 1:12; Titus 3:5; Galatians 3:26; Romans 5:1

...about Eternal Security

Because God gives us eternal life through Jesus Christ, the believer is secure in that salvation for eternity. Salvation is maintained by the grace and power of God, not by the self-effort of the Christian. It is the grace and keeping power of God that gives this security.

John 10:29; II Timothy 1:12; Hebrews 7:25 & 10:10-14; I Peter 1:3-5

...about the Bible

The Bible is God’s Word to all humankind. It was written by human authors, under the supernatural guidance of the Holy Spirit. It is the supreme source of truth for Christian belief and daily living. Because it is inspired by God, it is truth without any mixture of error.

II Timothy 3:16 & 1:13; II Peter 1:20-21; Psalm 119:105; Psalm 12:6; Proverbs 30:5
Working Together

We firmly believe that we can accomplish much more cooperating together than we could if we were operating alone. Because of that commitment, our church joins with other Baptist churches in reaching people in all fifty states and around the world through Cooperative Program (CP) Missions.

Touching the World

- Collierville First Baptist Church contributes 5⅓% of all budget receipts directly to CP Missions through the Southern Baptist Convention.

- We contribute an additional 5% of budget receipts to CP Missions through the Tennessee Baptist Convention.

- Taken together, we contribute 10⅔% of all budget receipts to missions causes.

Our Ministries

Maturity & Discipleship

We are committed to spiritual growth in the body of Christ. The best way to grow is regular participation in a Bible Fellowship Class. Bible Fellowships for all ages meet at 9:15 and 10:45 a.m. (Senior Adult classes also meet at 8:00 a.m.). When you find a class to call home, you’ll make new friends and you’ll continue the lifelong process of growing in your faith.

We also offer Discipleship University on Wednesday nights. The Family Life, Spiritual Growth and Leadership tracks provided each Wednesday are a great way to discover new avenues of ministry, to develop your ministry calling and to grow deeper in God’s Word. Discipleship Courses meet for Fall and Spring Semesters each year.

Missions & Evangelism

Every believer has the opportunity and the responsibility to share his faith. Each Tuesday night, you have a regular opportunity to share your faith and reach out to your community. The Net meets from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. and offers several different ministry stations:

- **Prayer Station** - Pray for Prospects
- **Phone Call Station** - Call Prospects
- **Card/Note Station** - Write Prospects
- **Home Visitation Station** - Visit Prospects
Collierville First Baptist Church is a missions-minded church. We are committed to sharing the Gospel with men and women in our city, our state, our nation and our world.

We invite you to give to missions through our **World Mission Offering**. The offering supports the mission efforts of the North American Mission Board and the International Mission Board, as well as state and local mission projects. We kick off this special emphasis each year with our **World Mission Conference**.

We also encourage you to go as a volunteer missionary to Botswana, Russia, Thailand, Turkey and other nations, as well as participate in mission trips across the United States. Mission trips are scheduled throughout the year and we invite you to prayerfully consider this ministry.

**Worship**

Sunday Celebration Services meet at 8:00, 9:15 and 10:45 a.m. and offer an opportunity for the body of Christ to meet together to magnify Jesus Christ. Sunday worship is a corporate time to give God His worth through music, testimony, prayer, the arts and the proclamation of God’s Word. **Sunday Evening Worship** meets at 6:00 p.m. and is designed just for you--core ministers and members!

For more information on the ministries of CFBC, log on to: http://www.fbccoll.org, or pick up more information at the rear foyer ministry tables.

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**I**. **WHAT CAN I DO?**

**You Are a V.I.P.**

You are a very important part of the church and the body of Christ. Paul used the analogy of the human body to help us understand the church. Each part of the body is different from all other parts; each part has a unique role without which the body will be less than its potential.

Read I Corinthians 12:12-13

> The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ.

> For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body--whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free--and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.

Paul taught the obvious--that all the parts of the human body serve important functions.

God has a purpose and service for every Christian. There are no big jobs and little jobs in God’s service. All assignments from God are equally important. Serving God is about obedience, not position.

Read Romans 12:4-5

> Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.
I**. WHAT CAN I DO?

What Do I Have to Offer?

On the following pages you will find a spiritual gifts inventory. Answer the questions here using the following instructions.

Decide whether the sentence is true or descriptive of you. Circle the letter that most accurately reflects your decision:

- N=Not at All - this is untrue for me
- O=Occasionally - this is true of me about 25% of the time
- F=Frequently - this is true of me about 50% of the time
- M=Most of the Time - most of the time this would describe me
- H=Highly Characteristic - this is definitely true of me

1. I'm not afraid to speak for the truth.  N O F M H
2. In helping people, I seem to know the right thing to do.  N O F M H
3. I enjoy discussing ideas and issues.  N O F M H
4. Others seem to look to me for advice and help.  N O F M H
5. I like to keep my life simple and natural.  N O F M H
6. Setting and achieving goals is important to me.  N O F M H
7. Doing things for people in need makes me happy.  N O F M H
8. I can give to others without expecting anything in return.  N O F M H
9. I get excited about my faith.  N O F M H
10. I am an optimistic, positive person.  N O F M H
11. I am aware of the miraculous aspects of life.  N O F M H
12. I enjoy making people feel at home.  N O F M H
13. Expressing my feelings is easy for me.  N O F M H
14. I'm concerned that people don't grow more as Christians.  N O F M H
15. I am never bored.  N O F M H
16. I am accepting of others' faults and failures.  N O F M H
17. I find strength from bearing others' burdens.  N O F M H
18. Accomplishing something worthwhile takes great effort.  N O F M H
19. It's not important for others to know the good things I do.  N O F M H
20. I enjoy sharing what I have with others.  N O F M H
21. Problems are a challenge to me.  N O F M H
22. Injustices and evil in the world trouble me.  N O F M H
23. I find prayer to be a great source of strength.  N O F M H
24. I like to help people without being asked.  N O F M H
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25. Stating the facts in a situation is something I do well.  N O F M H
26. I can usually encourage people to do things.  N O F M H
27. I look for ways to get acquainted with new friends.  N O F M H
28. I like to see all the pieces of a puzzle come together.  N O F M H
29. I am attracted to people who are hurting.  N O F M H
30. I don’t hold grudges against people.  N O F M H
31. I am eager to see good things happen to people.  N O F M H
32. Things eventually work out for the good.  N O F M H
33. Talking to God is easy for me.  N O F M H
34. I never met a stranger.  N O F M H
35. What I have to say is usually helpful to people.  N O F M H
36. Difficult situations bring out the best in me.  N O F M H
37. Every day is new for me.  N O F M H
38. I’m not afraid to be warm and close to people.  N O F M H
39. I like to work with sick and neglected people.  N O F M H
40. I consider myself to be a hard worker.  N O F M H
41. I have an urge to tell others about my life in Christ.  N O F M H

42. I’m a good counselor.  N O F M H
43. I can usually think clearly in confusion.  N O F M H
44. I enjoy doing little things to help people.  N O F M H
45. I will stand alone on something I believe in strongly.  N O F M H
46. I don’t care who gets credit for a job well done.  N O F M H
47. I like to tell people what’s important to me.  N O F M H
48. My life is an open book for others to see.  N O F M H
49. Completing a job is important to me.  N O F M H
50. I somehow know how people in distress feel.  N O F M H
51. I feel kinship with most people I meet.  N O F M H
52. I usually have energy to burn.  N O F M H
53. I am not easily disappointed.  N O F M H
54. I pray every day.  N O F M H
55. My home is open to lots of people.  N O F M H
56. People see me as a frank and outspoken person.  N O F M H
57. I will tell people if I think they’re doing wrong.  N O F M H
58. Possessions are meant to be shared.  N O F M H
59. I'd rather do something myself than get others to do it.  
   N O F M H

60. I have confidence in things I cannot see.  
   N O F M H

Transfer your letter responses from the survey to each of the 12 scales below and write in the value for each response.

N = -2    F = 0    H = +2
O = -1    M = +1
**I**. **WHAT CAN I DO?**

**Spiritual Gifts and Ministry Match-Up**

After you have taken the spiritual gifts inventory, please write your three highest gift scores here. Then refer to the next few pages to determine possible areas of ministry and service.

- **Dominant Gift (1)** ____________________ (Highest Score)
- **Secondary Gift (2)** ____________________
- **Secondary Gift (3)** ____________________

**Prophecy**

My Score ____

Strong verbal abilities; feels God’s leadership in speaking; Direct and to the point in conversation

- Adult Bible Fellowship Teacher
- Deacon
- Church Committees

**Service**

My Score ____

Closely tuned to everyday needs of persons; Desires to be helpful in specific, concrete ways

- Children’s Bible Fellowship Teacher
- Telephone Team
- CD/Tape Ministry
- Church Committees
- Children’s Ministry
- Orchestra Member
- Take Meals to Those in Need
- Decorating for Special Events
- Transportation for Student Outreach
- Bible Study Fellowship Secretary
- Baptism Committee
- Lord’s Supper Preparation
- Children’s Church Worker

**Teaching**

My Score ____

Desire to speak the truth in ways that nurture growth; Capacity to analyze, explain and interpret facts

- Children’s Bible Fellowship Teacher
- Adult Bible Fellowship teacher
- Retreat Leader
- Discipleship Class Leader
- Vacation Bible School Teacher

**Exhorting**

My Score ____

Capacity for stirring and inspiring speech; Sensitive to others’ problems and dilemmas; Patient with others

- Bible Fellowship Class Worker
- Decision Time Counselor
- Adult Bible Fellowship Teacher
- Discipleship Class Leader
- Vacation Bible School Teacher
- Bible Fellowship Division Leader

**Sharing**

My Score ____

Appreciation for simple and natural things; Open to sharing personal experiences, particularly in relation to one’s faith

- Decision Time Counselor
- In-Home Visitation (Outreach Night)
- Harvest Mission Offering
- Benevolence (Helping the Needy)

**Leading**

My Score ____

Interested in organization and delegation; Ability to see needs and provide leadership in meeting needs

- Bible Fellowship Class Leader
- Children’s Ministry
- Discipleship Class Leader
- Senior Adult Ministry
- Counseling
Leading (continued)
Bible Fellowships Director
First Impressions Ministry Leader
Discipleship Class on Leadership
Bible Study Fellowship Class Officer
Organize Special Events
Long-Range Planning Team

Church Committees
Committee Chairperson
Leadership Training
Choir/Orchestra Officer
Finance Committee

Mercy
Compassionate and caring; Bearing others’ burdens;
Sensing in others the emotions of pain and despair
Decision Time Counselor
Mission Trips
Shut-In Ministry
Take Meals to Those in Need
Benevolence (Helping the Needy)

Nursing Home Visitation
DivorceCare Groups
Counseling
Hospital Visitation

Love
Capacity for intimacy and closeness; Feelings of affection toward many people; Ability to give without expectation of return
Support Missions
In-Home Visitation (Outreach Night)
Opportunity Camp Worker
Special Projects & Building Programs
Phone Caller (Outreach Night)
Benevolence (Helping the Needy)

Clothes Closet
Mission Trips
Soul-winner
Counseling

Enthusiasm
Highly motivated; Ability to bring “sparkle” and excitement to a situation; Unusual capacity to be caught up and absorbed in a task
Organize Special Events
Class Fellowship Leader
Transportation for Student Outreach
Phone Caller (Outreach Night)
Special Projects & Building Programs
Lord’s Supper Preparation

First Impressions Ministry
Parking Lot Attendant
Usher/Greeter
Pastor’s Prayer Partner

After you have finished the Spiritual Gifts Inventory, please take a few moments to complete the Membership Profile and Personal Ministry Survey, as well as the Christian Skills Inventory on the next pages.

Return these pages to the church in the supplied postage-paid envelope. Find the envelope in the yellow pocket at the end of the Membership 101 class materials.
Section 1 - Membership 101 Class
Please share your thoughts about the CFBC Membership Class. Was it helpful? Did it enable you to become a more responsible church member? Share your ideas and suggestions.

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Section 2 - Prayer Ministry
Prayer is a priority ministry of our church. It is something in which all of us can faithfully participate. Please check any areas in which you will help our church be all God wants it to be. You will be provided materials to guide you each of the following prayer ministry areas:

- **Daily Prayer Warrior** – I commit to pray for my church and for revival 5 minutes a day, 7 days a week.
- **Daily Quiet Time** – I will begin, or continue, to spend a daily time with the Lord to pray and develop my relationship with Him.
- **Pastor’s Prayer Partner** – I’d like more information on this special ministry that requires a high level of commitment and accountability.

Your commitment enrolls you in our prayer ministry as a “CFBC Prayer Warrior”

Section 3 - Nursery Workers
Commit to serve on a periodic basis in this vitally important ministry in our church.

Worship Service Nursery Worker □ Yes □ No

Section 4 - Bible Fellowship Classes
□ I am interested in attending a Bible Fellowship Class.
□ Please have someone contact me about Bible Fellowship Classes and provide more information.

Please Continue on the Next Page
Christian Skills Inventory

Name ________________________________

Home Phone __________________________

Please prayerfully review the list of ministry opportunities and check those areas in which you desire to serve. Be sure to take into consideration the results of your Spiritual Gifts Inventory to guide you in your decision.

Maturity & Discipleship - Bible Fellowships (BF)
1. BF Department Director
2. BF Secretary
3. BF Outreach Leader
4. BF Teacher (Preschool)
5. BF Teacher (Grades 1-5)
6. BF Teacher (Special Ed.)
7. BF Teacher (Grades 7-12)
8. BF Teacher (College)
9. BF Teacher (Single Adults)
10. BF Teacher (Young Adults)
11. BF Teacher (Median Adults)
12. BF Teacher (Senior Adults)
13. BF Substitute Teacher
14. Preschool Extended Session Worker
15. Children’s Church Worker

Maturity & Discipleship - Discipleship & Training
24. Teacher Training Instructor
25. Disciple New Christians
26. New Church Member Orientation
27. Children’s New Member Orientation
28. Camp Counselor

Maturity & Discipleship - Outreach
29. Outreach Night - Home Visitation
30. Outreach Night - Card & Letter Writer
31. Outreach Night - Phone Caller
32. Outreach Night - Prayer Warrior
33. Individual Evangelism
34. Homebound Ministry
35. Nursing Home Ministry
36. Support Group Ministry
37. College Ministry
38. Student Ministry
39. Trained Soul-Winner
40. Decision Time Counselor

Missions & Evangelism - Missions
41. Women on Mission Director
42. Baptist Women Leader
43. Mission Friends Leader (Preschoolers)
44. Girls in Action Leader (Girls, Grades 1-5)
45. Acteens Leader (Girls, Grades 7-12)
46. Royal Ambassadors Leader (Boys, Grades 1-5)
47. AWANA Worker/Leader (Children)
48. Mission Trip Volunteer
49. Clothes Closet Worker

Missions & Evangelism - Outreach
50. Physician
51. Dentist
52. Registered Nurse
53. Lab Technician
54. Pharmacist
55. Nutritionist, Dietician
56. Physical Therapist

Medical/Dental
57. Physician
58. Dentist
59. Registered Nurse
60. Lab Technician
61. Pharmacist
62. Nutritionist, Dietician
63. Physical Therapist

Worship - Music & Drama
64. Choir Member
65. Accompanist
66. Play Brass Instrument
67. Play Woodwind Instrument
68. Play String Instrument
69. Play Percussion Instrument
70. Director
71. Producer

General Interest
72. Deacon
73. Women’s Ministry
74. Usher
75. Greeter
76. Parking Lot Attendant
77. Mission Friends Leader
78. Baptist Women Leader
79. Women’s Activities
80. Children’s Activities
81. Flower Arranging

Worship - Communication & The Arts
82. Graphic Design Experience
83. Bulletin Boards
84. Photography
85. Videographer
86. Video Editor
87. Sound Reinforcement Experience
88. Theatrical Lighting Experience
89. CD/Tape Ministry
90. Artist
91. Set Painter
92. Set Design & Construction
93. Costume Designer

Committees
94. Baptism
95. Finance
96. Hospitality
97. Lord’s Supper
98. Missions
99. Music
100. Property
101. Recreation
102. Sound
103. Student
104. Library
105. Benevolence
106. Scholarship
107. Preschool

Recreation
108. Coach
109. League Coordinator
110. Lifetime Sports
111. Referee
112. Aerobics Instructor
113. Special Events
**V. WHERE DO I START?**

**Membership Commitment**

1. **I WILL PROTECT THE UNITY OF MY CHURCH**
   
   ...By acting in love toward other members
   ...By refusing to gossip
   ...By following the leaders

   So let us concentrate on the things which make for harmony, and on the growth of our fellowship together.

   Romans 15:19 (Ph)

   Live in complete harmony with each other each with the attitude of Christ toward each other.

   Romans 15:5 (LB)

   Have a sincere love for your fellow believers; love one another earnestly with all your hearts.

   I Peter 1:22 (GN)

   Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs.

   Ephesians 4:29

   Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give an account. Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be no advantage to you.

   Hebrews 13:17

2. **I WILL SHARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF MY CHURCH**
   
   ...By praying for the church
   ...By inviting the unchurched to attend
   ...By warmly welcoming those who visit

   To the church... we always thank God for you and pray for you constantly.

   I Thessalonians 1:2

   Go out into the country... and urge anyone you find to come in, so that My House will be full.

   Luke 14:23

   So, warmly welcome each other into the church, just as Christ warmly welcomed you; then God will be glorified.

   Romans 15:7 (LB)

3. **I WILL SERVE THE MINISTRY OF MY CHURCH**
   
   ...By discovering my gifts and talents
   ...By being equipped to serve by my pastors
   ...By developing a servant's heart

   Serve one another with the particular gifts God has given each of you...

   1 Peter 4:10 (Ph)

   God gave... some to be pastors and teachers to prepare God’s people for works of ministry, so that the body of Christ may be built up...

   Ephesians 4:11-12
V. WHERE DO I START?

Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also the interests of others. Your attitude should be the same as that of Jesus Christ… who took on the very nature of a servant…

Philippians 2:3-4, 7

4. I WILL SUPPORT THE TESTIMONY OF MY CHURCH

…By attending faithfully
…By living a godly life
…By giving regularly

Let us not give up the habit of meeting together… but let us encourage one another.

Hebrews 10:25

But whatever happens, make sure that your everyday life is worthy of the gospel of Christ.

Philippians 1:27 (Ph)

A tenth of all you produce is the Lord’s, and it is holy.

Leviticus 27:30

Bring your whole tithe to the storehouse. Test me in this,” says the Lord, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you won’t have room enough for it! I will prevent pests from devouring your crops and the vines in your fields will be protected from plagues.

Malachi 3:10

My Commitment to God and Church Membership

1. I WILL PROTECT THE UNITY OF MY CHURCH

…By acting in love toward other members
…By refusing to gossip
…By following the leaders

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