

## **APPENDIX II: Church Covenant**

### **Church Covenant of Providence Church**

Having received Christ as my Lord and Savior, experienced a believer's baptism by immersion, and abiding by the Statement of Faith, structure, and strategy of the church, I resolve to unite with the Providence Church family. In doing so, I commit myself to God and to the other members to do the following:

#### **1. I will protect the unity of my church.**

- a. By acting in love toward other members, resolving conflicts.
- b. By refusing to gossip.
- c. By following the church leadership.

Rom 14:19 So then let us pursue what makes for peace and for mutual upbuilding.

1Pet 1:22 Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart

Eph 4:29 Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear.

Heb 13:17 Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you.

#### **2. I will share the responsibility of my church.**

- a. By praying for its growth.
- b. By inviting others to attend.
- c. By warmly welcoming those who visit.

1Thes 1:2 We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers

Lk 14:23 And the master said to the servant, 'Go out to the highways and hedges and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled.'

Rom 15:7 Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

### **3. I will serve in the ministry of my church.**

- a. By seeking to discover my gifts and talents.
- b. By being equipped to serve by my church leadership.
- c. By developing a servant's heart.

1 Pet 4:10 As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace

Eph 4:11-12 And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ

Phil 2:3-4 Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

### **4. I will support the testimony of my church.**

- a. By attending faithfully.
- b. By living a godly life.
- c. By giving regularly.

Heb 10:24-25 And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Phil 1:27 Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel

1 Cor 16:2 On the first day of every week, each of you is to put something aside and store it up, as he may prosper, so that there will be no collecting when I come.

Lev 27:30 Every tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the trees, is the LORD's; it is holy to the LORD.

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Signature