

MEMBER COVENANT

Having been brought by divine grace to repent and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and to surrender our lives to Him, and having been baptized as Christians in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, we choose to covenant together with all members of Northcliffe (John 3:16; Matthew 3:13-17; Matthew 28:19-20; Mark 1:15; Acts 2:37).

Together, we will celebrate and enjoy the glory of God, depend on the presence of God, grow in the knowledge of God, and submit to the Word of God as the all-sufficient authority in our lives and in His church (Psalm 119; Matthew 5:18-20; 2 Timothy 3:16-17).

Together, we commit to draw near to God in regular corporate worship (Hebrews 10:25; Acts 2:42-47). We will commit to holding fast to the gospel from which is our hope. We will explain and contend for the faith delivered once for all to the church. We will regularly participate in communion as we solemnly and joyfully remember the past work of Christ on the cross, celebrate the present work of Christ at the Father's right hand, and anticipate the future work of Christ in his return for his bride (1 Corinthians 11:17-34; 1 Peter3:15, Jude 3).

Together, we will use our gifts and talents that God has given to us to help, teach, encourage, and serve others (Ephesians 4:11-16; 1Corinthains 12-14). We will stir one another up to love and good works (Hebrews 10:24). We will meet with one another consistently, pray for one another regularly, and serve one another selflessly (Acts 2:43-47). We will share each other's joys and bear each other's burdens. We will listen carefully to one another, build one another up with our speech, and encourage one another with our example (Romans 12:9-16). We will humbly and gently confront one another and receive correction from one another in accordance with a New Testament understanding of church discipline and restoration (Matthew 18:15-35). We will give cheerfully and generously to the support of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel to all nations (Matthew 28:19-20; Mark 16:14-16; Acts 2:42-47).

We cheerfully and willingly enter into this covenant relationship with Northcliffe as we seek to serve God's kingdom and accomplish His purposes.