



# Membership Matters

## **Pastor's Note:**

Thank you so much for your interest in becoming a member of Eastmont Baptist Church! As a church family, we are always excited to see our church grow, and pray that this class is helpful as you prayerfully consider covenanting with us in membership.

The goal of our New Members' Class is to familiarize you with the meaning of church membership, the beliefs and practices of our church, and any other questions you may have about becoming a part of Eastmont Baptist Church.

We look forward to getting to know you and hope that this time is helpful as you seek to grow in your walk with Jesus Christ.

As part of our process, we ask that you complete a Membership Information Form. It's available on the church website or by scanning the QR code.



Thanks for being a part!

Sam Sinclair

# **Week 1: Our Covenant: What is Membership?**

## ***What is church membership?***

I. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Membership

II. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Membership

A. Membership Marks a Church's Boundaries.

B. Membership Facilitates Church Discipline.

C. Membership Protects the Church's Witness.

D. Membership Enables the Church's Mission.

III. The \_\_\_\_\_ for Membership

A. Conversion

B. Baptism

C. Commitment

IV. Our \_\_\_\_\_ for Membership

V. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Membership

A. Ministry Opportunities

B. Pastoral Care

C. Decision Making

D. Financial Assistance

E. Accountability

VI. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Membership

A. To Walk Together in Christian Love

B. To Strive for the Advancement of the Gospel

C. To Faithfully Assemble with the Church

D. To Support the Church's Discipline & Doctrine

E. To Financially Support the Church's Ministry

## **Our Covenant:**

*Having been led as individuals, as we believe by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior and Lord and, on profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we now choose to enter into covenant with one another as one body in Christ.*

*We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of the gospel of Jesus Christ; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines; and to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry and the expenses of the church.*

*We also engage to maintain personal Bible study and devotions to support us in our commitments to these practices.*

## Week 2: Our Doctrine

*As a church, we teach in accordance with the Baptist Faith & Message 2000. To read this doctrinal statement, scan the QR code.*



I. We are \_\_\_\_\_.

A. The Trinity.

B. The Deity of Christ.

II. We are \_\_\_\_\_: “The Five Solas”

A. Scripture Alone

B. Faith Alone

C. Grace Alone

D. Christ Alone

E. To the Glory of God Alone

III. We Are \_\_\_\_\_

A. Gospel-Centered

B. Biblical Inerrancy

C. Conversion

D. Evangelistic

IV. We Are Baptist

A. Converted Membership.

B. Believers' Baptism/Communion.



C. Church and State

V. We Are (Theologically) Conservative.

A. The Goodness of Gender Distinctions.

B. The Permanence of Marriage.

C. The Sanctity of Human Life.

D. The Supernatural Creation of the Universe

## **Week 3: Our Mission**

I. Make Disciples: We are Committed to a Disciple-Making Mission.

II. Love Jesus: We are Committed to God-Centered Worship.

III. Equip the Saints: We are Committed to Bible-Saturated Teaching.

IV. Build Community: We are Committed to Gospel-Centered Fellowship.

V. Joyfully Serve We are Committed to Spirit-Empowered Ministry.

## **Week 4: Our Culture**

### **I. Our Affiliations: Partnering Together**

A. The Universal Church

B. The Southern Baptist Convention

### **II. Our Governance: Leading Together**

A. Scripturally-Ruled

B. Congregationally-Governed

C. Pastor/Elder-Led

D. Deacon-Served

E. Committee-Supported

### III. Our Ministries: Serving Together

1. Children's Ministry Team
2. Co-Lab Team
3. Security Team
4. Worship Team
5. Media/Technology Team
6. Hospitality Team
7. Transportation Ministry
8. Benevolence
9. Outreach

#### IV. Our Relationships: Living Together

1. Love one another – John 13:34; 15:12, 17; Romans 13:8; 1 Thessalonians 4:9
2. Be devoted to one another – Romans 12:10
3. Honor one another above yourselves – Romans 12:10
4. Live in harmony with one another – Romans 12:16; 1 Peter 3:8
5. Do not be proud, but associate with the lowly – Romans 12:16
6. Accept one another – Romans 15:7
7. Encourage one another – 1 Thessalonians 4:18; 5:11
8. Build up one another – 1 Thessalonians 5:11; 1 Corinthians 14:26
9. Forgive one another – Ephesians 4:32; Colossians 3:13
10. Be kind and compassionate to one another – Ephesians 4:32
11. Bear with one another – Colossians 3:13; Ephesians 4:2
12. Admonish one another – Colossians 3:16; Romans 15:14; Galatians 6:1
13. Serve one another – Galatians 5:13

14. Spur one another on toward love and good deeds –  
Hebrews 10:24
15. Do not lie to one another – Colossians 3:9
16. Submit to one another – Ephesians 5:21
17. Teach one another – Colossians 3:16
18. Confess your sins to one another and pray for one another  
– James 5:16
19. Bear one another's burdens – Galatians 6:2

