

STUDENT NOTES



MEMBERSHIP

REAL PEOPLE. REAL FAITH. REAL FAMILY.

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WELCOME TO MEMBERSHIP

A Letter from Pastor Jubal García

I want to take a moment to personally welcome you to the Metanoya Membership Course and to tell you how proud I am of you.

You didn't have to be here. But you made a decision. A decision to grow, to commit, and to go deeper in your walk with God. That says a lot about you and I believe it says even more about what God is doing in you.

As your pastor, I want you to know this: you are not just attending a church, you are becoming part of a family. We're not perfect, but we're real. We cry together, celebrate together, pray together, and grow together. And my heart is to see you thrive: spiritually, emotionally, relationally, and in every area of your life.

This Membership Course is more than just information. It's a journey of discovering who we are, what we believe, and how God has uniquely designed you to play a powerful role in His Kingdom. You'll learn about the heart of our house, what we value, and how we serve together with purpose.

My hope is that as you go through these sessions, God will stir something fresh in you. That you won't just learn but that you'll belong. That you'll see this house as your house. That you'll stop sitting on the sidelines and step fully into the calling God has for your life.

I want you to know you matter. You're needed. And I believe with all my heart that your best days are still ahead.

Let's take this journey together.

Anticipating Great Things,



Pastor Jubal García

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Ephesians 2:19 (NLT): “So now you Gentiles are no longer strangers and foreigners. You are citizens along with all of God’s holy people. You are members of God’s family.”

1. THE CHURCH IS A _____.

▶ *Ephesians 2:19 (NLT): “You are members of God’s family.”*

2. GOD WANTS ME TO BE A _____

_____.

▶ *Ephesians 2:19 (NLT): “You are members of God’s family.”*

3. A CHRISTIAN WITHOUT A CHURCH FAMILY IS LIKE

AN _____.

▶ *Ephesians 2:19 (NLT): “you are no longer strangers and foreigners...”*



Goal:

I will commit myself to Jesus Christ and the Metanoya Church family.

How Metanoya Church Began

Metanoya Church started as a rehabilitation ministry called Outcry in the Barrio.

Our founders, Pastor Freddie and Ninfa Garcia were once trapped in addiction to drugs and alcohol. In 1966, they experienced a life-changing transformation through Jesus Christ in Los Angeles, California.

After their salvation, they returned to San Antonio to share Jesus' saving power with others struggling like they had been. In 1970, they opened their home to anyone seeking freedom from addiction.

As lives were transformed, Pastor Freddie encouraged individuals to connect with local churches, but many weren't open to welcoming former addicts. In response, Pastor Freddie and Ninfa started Metanoya Church on Mother's Day in 1973, a place where anyone could belong, grow, and serve in God's Kingdom.

In 2004, when Pastor Freddie retired, the global board of directors chose Pastor Jubal Garcia to lead the ministry.

Since then, God has done amazing things:

- ▶ Outcry in the Barrio built a brand-new recovery home to help people break free from addiction.
- ▶ Metanoya Church in San Antonio grew bigger and stronger.
- ▶ The ministry spread around the world with Outcry Homes and Metanoya Churches in more than eight countries!

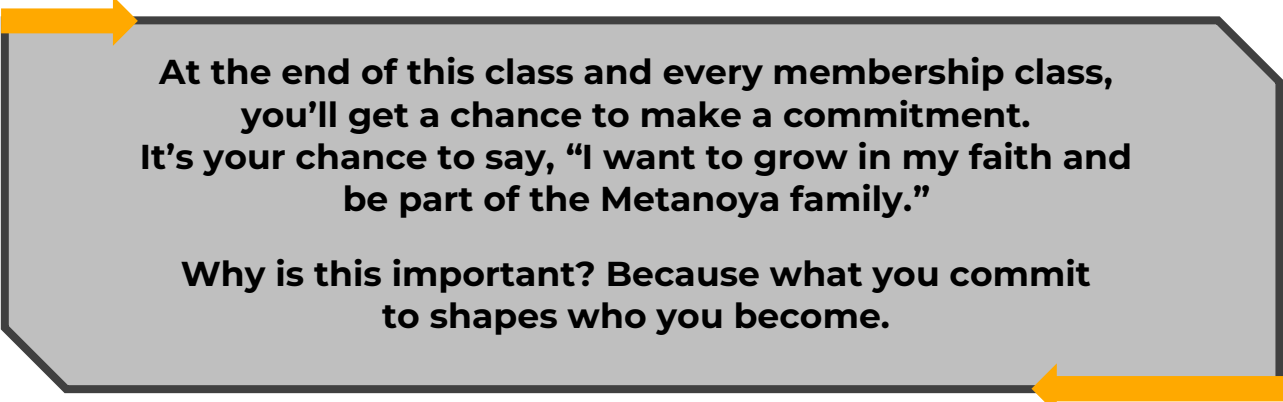
Our Mission is still the same: To reach people who are lost and bring them hope through Jesus Christ!

Our Message is simple: There is hope and His name is Jesus. No one is too far gone. He can set anyone free.

1. THE METANOYA CHURCH MISSION

Every church has a plan. Ours is simple: **Metanoya is a church for people who are _____.**

Luke 19:10 (NLT): “For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost.”



At the end of this class and every membership class, you'll get a chance to make a commitment. It's your chance to say, “I want to grow in my faith and be part of the Metanoya family.”

Why is this important? Because what you commit to shapes who you become.

Every church needs a structure, or a way it's set up. Metanoya is no exception. Please go to the next section entitled: The Metanoya Structure.

2. THE METANOYA STRUCTURE

1 Corinthians 14:33, 40 (NLT): “For God is not a God of disorder, but of peace... Everything should be done in a fitting and orderly way.”

A. METANOYA CHURCH IS A _____.

- ▶ Community means: Encouraging one another, and helping each other stay strong in following Jesus together.

B. METANOYA CHURCH IS A _____.

- ▶ ***Romans 12:4–5 (NLT): “We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other.”***
- ▶ At Metanoya, church isn’t just about attending, it’s about being part of the body of Christ and finding your place to serve God.

C. METANOYA CHURCH IS A _____.

- ▶ What’s a flock? A flock is a group of sheep cared for by a shepherd.
- ▶ ***John 21:15 (NLT): “After breakfast, Jesus asked Simon Peter, ‘Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?’ ‘Yes, Lord,’ Peter replied, ‘You know I love you.’ ‘Then take care of my sheep,’ Jesus told him.”***

God designed the church to be a community, a body, and a flock each picture showing how we’re meant to be connected, cared for, and growing together.

At Metanoya, you’re not just attending a service, you’re part of something bigger. You belong here. And together, we’re stronger.

3. THE METANOYA CHURCH STATEMENTS

Our Statement of Purpose

1. WE CELEBRATE GOD'S PRESENCE: _____.

- ▶ Our goal is to help people know Jesus personally.

2. WE KNOW GOD'S FAMILY: _____.

- ▶ Fellowship means building real relationships where people feel connected and loved.

3. WE EDUCATE GOD'S PEOPLE: _____.

- ▶ Discipleship is growing to become more like Jesus. It starts at salvation and continues as we learn and live out God's Word.

4. WE DEMONSTRATE GOD'S LOVE: _____.

- ▶ Ministry means serving others with love; using your time, gifts, and resources to meet real needs in the church and community.

5. WE SHARE THE GOOD NEWS: _____.

- ▶ ***Romans 10:13–14 (NLT): "How can they believe if they've never heard? And how can they hear unless someone tells them?"***

- ▶ Evangelism means sharing the Good News that Jesus saves, heals, and gives new life.

What We Believe

At Metanoya, we believe in the core truths of God's Word; truths that shape how we live. Let's talk about what our church believes:

1. WE BELIEVE IN _____.

- ▶ At Metanoya, we believe there is one true God who created everything, sustains everything, and rules over all. God is one, but He exists in three persons Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; equal and united as one God (Matthew 28:19).
- ▶ We believe that God is eternal: He has no beginning or end (Psalm 90:2), all-powerful: Nothing is too hard for Him (Jeremiah 32:17), He is all-knowing: His understanding is beyond comprehension (Psalm 147:5), and present everywhere: There is nowhere we can go to escape His presence (Psalm 139:7-10).
- ▶ This is the God we worship: Eternal, sovereign, and always with us.

2. WE BELIEVE IN _____.

- ▶ At Metanoya, we believe that Jesus Christ is both fully God and fully man. He wasn't just a good teacher or prophet, He is God in human form, sent to save us.
- ▶ Jesus has always existed and is one with the Father (John 1:1). He became fully human, lived a sinless life, and understands everything we go through (Hebrews 4:15).

- ▶ He was born to a virgin named Mary through the power of the Holy Spirit, fulfilling prophecy and proving He was sent by God (Matthew 1:23).
- ▶ Jesus came to rescue us from sin. We couldn't save ourselves, so He died in our place (Romans 5:8). He rose from the dead three days later, proving His power over sin and death (1 Corinthians 15:17).
- ▶ Today, Jesus is alive and seated at the right hand of God. One day, He will return to establish His Kingdom forever. His life, death, and resurrection are the foundation of our faith and our only hope for salvation.

3. WE BELIEVE IN THE _____.

- ▶ At Metanoya, we believe the Holy Spirit is a person, not a force, and He is fully God, equal with the Father and the Son.
- ▶ He lives in every believer (1 Corinthians 6:19), guides us into truth (John 16:13), and gives us the power to live for God and boldly share our faith (Acts 1:8).
- ▶ The Holy Spirit is active in the world today and is essential to living the Christian life (Galatians 5:25).

4. WE BELIEVE IN GOD'S DESIGN FOR _____.

- ▶ At Metanoya, we believe every person was created in the image of God: Intentionally, purposefully, and with great value (Genesis 1:27).
- ▶ Being made in God's image means we were created with a human spirit to connect with God, the free will to make real choices, the ability to think and create, and the capacity for relationships.

- ▶ We are not accidents, we were made by God and for God, and we believe every person was designed for a personal relationship with Him.

5. WE BELIEVE _____ BROKE THE WORLD.

- ▶ At Metanoya, we believe that sin is the reason the world is broken. Sin entered through Adam and Eve's disobedience and has affected every person since (Romans 5:12).
- ▶ Sin is not just making mistakes; it is rebellion against God and breaks our relationship with Him (1 John 3:4).
- ▶ Because of sin, we are born with a sinful nature and naturally lean toward disobedience. Sin separates us from God and brings pain, death, and spiritual separation (Romans 7:18-20).

6. WE BELIEVE _____.

- ▶ At Metanoya, we believe salvation is God's greatest gift; it can't be earned, only received by grace through faith in Jesus (John 3:16).
- ▶ Salvation means being rescued from sin, made right with God, and given eternal life. To receive it, we must first recognize our need for a Savior (Romans 3:23), put our trust in Jesus; believing He died and rose from the dead (Romans 10:9), and receive God's grace by faith (Ephesians 2:8).
- ▶ When we are born again, we are forgiven, made new, filled with the Holy Spirit, and promised eternal life. Salvation is not the end, it's the beginning of a new life with Jesus (2 Corinthians 5:17).

7. WE BELIEVE IN _____.

- ▶ At Metanoya, we believe the church is not a building, it's a community of people who follow Jesus. The Bible calls the church the Body of Christ, where every believer has a role, and Jesus is the head (1 Corinthians 12:12–13).
- ▶ The church is also the family of God, made up of people from every background who belong to Him (Ephesians 2:19).
- ▶ The church exists to carry out God's mission: to worship together, grow in faith, serve one another, share the Good News of Jesus, and support each other through every season of life (Acts 2:42–47).

8. WE BELIEVE IN THE _____.

- ▶ At Metanoya, we believe in the Rapture; a future moment when Jesus will return to take all believers, both living and dead, to be with Him forever (1 Thessalonians 4:16–17).
- ▶ It will happen suddenly and supernaturally, as believers are caught up to meet the Lord in the air. Dead believers will rise first, and living believers will be instantly transformed. We will be united with Jesus in heaven before judgment comes to the earth.
- ▶ The Rapture is not something to fear; it's our blessed hope (Titus 2:13). Until that day, we stay watchful, live faithfully, and share the Gospel with others.

9. WE BELIEVE IN THE _____.

- ▶ At Metanoya, we believe Jesus is coming back again; this time not as a humble servant, but as King of Kings and Lord of Lords. This event, called the Second Coming, will be public, powerful, and seen by the whole world (Revelation 1:7; Matthew 24:30; Revelation 19:11–16).
- ▶ It is different from the Rapture, when Jesus comes for His church. At the Second Coming, Jesus returns with His church to defeat evil and establish His kingdom on earth. He will bring justice, rule with righteousness, and reign forever.

10. WE BELIEVE IN _____.

- ▶ At Metanoya, we believe Heaven is a real place where God dwells and where all who trust in Jesus will live forever (Revelation 21:4).
- ▶ It is a place of joy, peace, rest, reward, and reunion with other believers. Heaven cannot be earned through good works; it is a gift received by faith in Jesus Christ, the only way to the Father (John 14:6).
- ▶ We believe Heaven is the blessed hope of every believer; the final and forever home for those who follow Jesus.

Our Lifestyle Statement

At Metanoya, we believe following Jesus isn't just about believing the right things, it's about living them out.

The Bible calls us to live differently from the unsaved world and reflect God's love, truth, and holiness in everything we do (Romans 12:2).
Here's what that looks like in everyday life...

1. THE BIBLE IS OUR _____.

- ▶ **2 Timothy 3:16 (NLT): “All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives...”**
- ▶ We believe the Bible is completely trustworthy, and the ultimate guide for life.

2. _____ IS THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH.

- ▶ **Colossians 1:18 (NLT): “Christ is also the head of the church, which is his body. He is the beginning, supreme over all who rise from the dead. So he is first in everything.”**
- ▶ Jesus is the head of the church, and our pastors serve under His authority.

3. EVERY CHRISTIAN IS A _____.

- ▶ **1 Peter 2:9 (NLT): “But you are not like that, for you are a chosen people. You are royal priests, a holy nation, God’s very own possession. As a result, you can show others the goodness of God...”**
- ▶ We believe every believer has direct access to God through Jesus. You don’t need a title to pray, serve, or witness, you’re already a minister.

4. EVERY CHRISTIAN SHOULD BE _____.

- ▶ **Matthew 28:19 (NLT): “Go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.”**

- ▶ Baptism is how we publicly show our faith in Jesus and celebrate our new life in Him.

5. WE LIVE BY THE POWER OF THE _____.

- ▶ ***John 15:5 (NLT) - “Those who remain in Me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from Me, you can do nothing.”***
- ▶ Following Jesus means letting the Holy Spirit guide your life (John 15:5). He leads us into truth (John 16:13), grows godly character in us (Galatians 5:22–23), and gives us power to live for God (Acts 1:8).

Now that we’ve talked about our purpose, our beliefs, and how we live for Jesus, please turn to the final section in your workbook called “What Is Expected of Me as a Church Member”.

This is the last part of tonight’s session, and we’re so glad you made it here. Let’s finish strong, excited for what God is going to do through your life and your place in this church family!

What is Expected of Me as a Church Member?

At Metanoya, we ask our members to do what the Bible teaches all Christians to do. By joining Metanoya Church, you’re committing to the following:

1. I WILL _____.

- ▶ We protect unity by loving others, avoiding gossip, and respecting our Pastors/Leaders.

- ▶ Loving others means being patient, forgiving, and encouraging, just like Jesus (Romans 14:19).
- ▶ We avoid gossip by speaking words that build up, not tear down (Ephesians 4:29).
- ▶ We respect our Pastors by praying for them and supporting their leadership (Hebrews 13:17).

2. I WILL _____.

- ▶ As members, we pray for growth, invite others, and welcome every guest with love.
- ▶ Please pray daily for Metanoya to grow in faith, love, and impact (Ephesians 6:18).
- ▶ Invite people who don't know Jesus; your story could change their life (Luke 14:23).
- ▶ Help us welcome guests like family with a smile, a kind word, and a warm heart (Romans 15:7).

3. I WILL _____.

- ▶ God gave you unique gifts to make a difference. When you serve, you live out your purpose (1 Peter 4:10).
- ▶ Our pastors are here to equip and train you so you can serve with confidence and impact (Ephesians 4:12).
- ▶ Like Jesus, we lead by serving, not with pride, but with humility and love (Mark 10:45).

4. I WILL _____.

- ▶ Faithful attendance helps you grow spiritually and stay connected to God's family (Hebrews 10:25).
- ▶ Living by God's Word shows your faith in action (James 1:22).
- ▶ Tithing funds the mission of the church and honors God as your provider (Proverbs 3:9).



METANOYA CHURCH **MEMBERSHIP 101 COMMITMENT**

To become a member of Metanoya Church, complete all four steps below. Fill out the information and turn in your commitment.

1. My Commitment to Christ.

- ▶ Have you committed your life to Jesus Christ and trusted Him for salvation?
- ☐ Yes (Write when and where: _____)
- ☐ No, please talk to our team after class so we can lead you to Christ.

2. Baptism by Immersion.

- ▶ Have you been baptized by immersion (underwater) after committing your life to Christ?
- ☐ Yes (Write when and where: _____)
- ☐ No, I need to be baptized (We'll help you book a baptism date!).

3. Completion of Membership 101.

- ▶ Have you completed Membership 101: Welcome To Metanoya?
- ☐ Yes (Enter today's date: _____)

4. The Membership 101 Commitment.

► Do you desire to live by the Metanoya Membership Commitment?

☐ Yes (Sign and date below)

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____



MEMBERSHIP 201: GROWING IN GOD!

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Colossians 4:12 (NTV): “Epaphras, a member of your own fellowship and a servant of Christ Jesus, sends you his greetings. He always prays earnestly for you, asking God to make you strong and perfect, fully confident that you are following the whole will of God.”

What is Spiritual Growth?

Spiritual Growth means: _____.

Ephesians 4:13 (JBP): “...We arrive at real maturity—the measure of development which is meant by the fullness of Christ.”

1. SPIRITUAL GROWTH IS NOT _____.

▶ ***1 Timothy 4:7 (NTV): “Train yourself to be Godly...”***

2. SPIRITUAL GROWTH IS A _____.

▶ ***2 Peter 3:18 (NLT): “You must grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.”***

3. SPIRITUAL GROWTH REQUIRES _____.

▶ ***Colossians 3:10 (NLT): “Put on your new nature... and become like Him.”***



The Goal of this Class is Simple:
To help you commit to the habits that will help you Grow Spiritually.

1. THE HABIT OF _____

2 Timothy 3:16–17 (NLT): “All Scripture is inspired by God... It corrects us... teaches us to do what is right... and equips us to do every good work.”

The Bible helps us grow. It shows us the truth, corrects our mistakes, and teaches us how to live this new Christian life.

Now let’s get practical. To become a true student of the Bible, you need a strong grip on it.



Grab a pen and outline your hand on a sheet of paper. Each finger will represent a simple way to hold on to God’s Word and build the habit that will transform your life.

A. PINKY: _____.



- ▶ ***Romans 10:17 (NLT): “Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ.”***

B. RING FINGER: _____.



- ▶ *Revelation 1:3 (NLT): "Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words..."*

C. MIDDLE FINGER: _____.



- ▶ *Acts 17:11 (NLT): "They examined the Scriptures every day..."*

D. INDEX FINGER: _____.



- ▶ *Psalms 119:11 (NLT): "I have hidden your word in my heart..."*

E. THUMB: _____.



- ▶ *Psalms 1:2 (NLT): "Blessed is the one who meditates on his law..."*

F. PALM: _____.



- ▶ *James 1:22 (NLT): "Do not merely listen to the word... Do what it says."*

How to Have a Quiet Time with God

Spending time with God daily helps you grow closer to Him.
Here's a simple way to get started:

1. _____.

▶ Jesus prayed early in the morning (Mark 1:35).

2. _____.

▶ Jesus often went to quiet places to pray (Luke 22:39).

3. _____.

▶ God's Word guides us (Psalm 119:105).

4. _____.

▶ Ask God to help you see His truth (Psalm 119:18).

5. USE THE _____:

S – _____: Write down a verse that stands out.

O – _____: What does it mean?

A – _____: How can you live this out today?

P – _____: Talk to God about what you learned.

2. THE HABIT OF _____

Prayer is more than words, it's how we connect with God and invite His power into every part of our lives. It strengthens our relationship with Him and helps us grow spiritually.

Let's talk about 5 Key Reasons Why Prayer Matters:

A. _____.

B. _____.

C. _____.

D. _____.

E. _____.

How to Pray

Prayer is how we connect with God. It's simple, but powerful. Jesus gave us a model to follow in the Lord's Prayer. Here are three clear steps to build a strong prayer life:

1. _____.

- ▶ **Matthew 6:9 (NLT): "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name."**

2. _____.

- ▶ **Matthew 6:10 (NLT): “May Your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.”**

3. _____.

- ▶ **Matthew 6:11 (NLT): “Give us today the food we need.”**

3. THE HABIT OF _____

Proverbs 3:9 (NTV): “Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the best part of everything you produce.”

Tithing is giving the first 10% of your income to God, it's how we put Him first in our finances. It's not about money, it's about trust. Like prayer and reading the Bible, tithing is a habit that grows our faith.

What Is Tithing?

Tithing means giving the first 10% of your income to God. **The word “tithe” literally means “first-tenth,”** and it represents the first and best portion, not just any amount.

Proverbs 3:9 (NLT): “Honor the Lord with your wealth and the best part of everything you produce.”

Where Should I Give my Tithe?

According to Scripture, your tithe (the first 10%) belongs in your local church. **Malachi 3:10 (NLT)** says: ***“Bring all the tithes into the storehouse,”*** which, in our context, means the church where you worship and grow spiritually.

When Should I Tithe?

Tithing is about putting God first. **1 Corinthians 16:2 (NLT)** says, ***“On the first day of every week, set aside some of what you have earned and give it as an offering...”*** This shows us the principle: give first, not last.

Why Should I Tithe?

FIRST, _____.

- ▶ In Leviticus 27:3, calling the tithe holy and set apart for Him.

SECOND, _____.

- ▶ In Matthew 23:23, Jesus said we should tithe while not neglecting other spiritual matters.

THIRD, _____.

- ▶ Deuteronomy 14:23 teaches us to keep God first in every part of life.

FORTH, TITHING REMINDS ME THAT _____
_____.

- ▶ Deuteronomy 8:18 reminds us that it's God who gives us the ability to create wealth.

FIFTH, _____.

- ▶ Psalm 116:12 speaks about a heart that is grateful to God. Tithing is a small way we can say thank you to God for all of his blessings in our lives.

SIXTH, _____.

- ▶ In Malachi 3:10, God promises to provide more than enough when we trust Him with our finances and learn to tithe.
- ▶ ***Malachi 3:10 (NLT): "Bring all the tithes into the storehouse so there will be enough food in my Temple. If you do," says the LORD of Heaven's Armies, "I will open the windows of heaven for you. I will pour out a blessing so great you won't have enough room to take it in! Try it! Put me to the test!"***

Tithing Challenge at Metanoya Church

- ▶ Tithe 10% of your income faithfully for 6 months.
- ▶ If God isn't blessing you abundantly, we'll refund every dollar you gave.

This is only for people who give through the Metanoya App or website. You must track your giving through our secure platform.

Malachi 3:10 (NLT): “Test me in this,” says the Lord Almighty. “See if I will not open the floodgates of heaven and pour out a blessing so great you won’t have enough room to take it in.”

Take the step. Trust God. Watch what He does.

4. THE HABIT OF _____

Hebrews 10:25 (NLT): “Let us not give up meeting together, but encourage one another.”

Fellowship is the habit of regularly gathering with other believers to support, encourage, and grow in your walk with God. Christianity was never meant to be lived alone, it includes other believers.

Why Fellowship Matters:

1. YOU BELONG TO _____.

- ▶ ***Ephesians 2:19*** says, ***“we are part of God’s household.”***

2. WE _____.

- ▶ Ecclesiastes 4:9–10 says that we lift each other up when someone falls.
- ▶ Galatians 6:1 tells us to restore one another with grace and love.

3. FELLOWSHIP SHOWS THE WORLD _____.

- ▶ ***John 13:35 (NTV): “Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are My disciples.”***
- ▶ Every act of love within the church is a testimony to the world.

4. FELLOWSHIP HELPS US _____.

- ▶ 1 Peter 4:10 explains that God gave you gifts to strengthen others.

How Can A Large Church Maintain Close Friendships?

THE ANSWER IS _____.

At Metanoya, we believe every member needs a small group. While Sunday services are powerful for worship and preaching, small groups are where real relationships are built. That’s where you share life, pray together, and grow deeper in your faith.

Acts 5:42 (NLT): “They met day after day in the Temple courts and from house to house.”

They gathered in two ways:

- ▶ In Large Groups for Worship (The Temple Courts).
- ▶ In Small Groups for Fellowship (House to House).

What is The Purpose of Small Groups?

1. _____:
Learn God's Word together and grow spiritually.
2. _____:
Build unity and encourage one another.
3. _____:
Remember Jesus' sacrifice by taking communion together.
4. _____:
Pray with and for each other.
5. _____:
Help each other through life's challenges.
6. _____:
Share meals, laughs, and real friendship.
7. _____:
Worship together and celebrate what God is doing.
8. _____:
Invite others and share the love of Jesus.

Small groups are how you get to know the family, grow in faith, and live out God's love. Don't do life alone, get connected!



Our Small Groups launch Winter 2025!
Stay tuned on the Metanoya App and sign up
when registration opens!



METANOYA CHURCH **MEMBERSHIP 201 COMMITMENT**

Philippians 2:13 (NTV): “For God is working in you, giving you the desire and the power to do what pleases him.”

This class is designed to help you build strong spiritual habits. These habits will help you grow in your relationship with God and become more like Jesus.

My Commitment

I commit to:

- ☐ Daily time with God: through Bible reading and prayer.
- ☐ Faithfully Tithing: giving the first 10% of my income to God.
- ☐ Fellowship with believers: by joining and participating in a small group.

1 Timothy 4:7-8 (NTV): “Train yourself to be godly. Physical training is good, but training for godliness is much better, promising benefits in this life and in the life to come.”

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____



MEMBERSHIP 301: BUILT TO SERVE!

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Our goal in this class is simple:
To help you discover how God made you and how He wants to use you.

1. GOD HAS CALLED YOU TO _____.

- ▶ ***Ephesians 4:11-12 (NLT): “Now these are the gifts Christ gave to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers. Their responsibility is to equip God’s people to do His work and build up the church, the body of Christ.”***

2. WHAT IS MINISTRY?

- ▶ The word “ministry” comes from the Greek word “diakonos”, which means _____.

3. AT METANOYA, WE SERVE:

- ▶ _____ – We honor and obey God with our service. (Acts 13:3)
- ▶ _____ – We show love by caring for those in the church. (Hebrews 6:10)
- ▶ _____ – We show Jesus’ love by being like salt and light in the world. (Matthew 5:13)

Footnote: Salt makes food taste better, and light helps people see. In the same way, when you follow Jesus, your life should make the world better and help others see God's love.

4. WE MINISTER TO THREE AREAS OF NEED:

A. _____.

- ▶ We help with basic needs like food, clothing, shelter, and care. (Matthew 25:35–36, 40)

B. _____.

- ▶ We support people through encouragement, patience, and compassion. (1 Thessalonians 5:14)

C. _____.

- ▶ We point people to Jesus and help them find peace with God. (2 Corinthians 5:18)

God wants to use you to bring hope and healing to others: Body, heart, and soul.

5. WHY SHOULD MINISTRY MATTER TO ME?

A. _____.

- ▶ ***Ephesians 2:10 (NTV): “We are God’s masterpiece... created anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things He planned for us long ago.”***

B. _____.

- ▶ **2 Timothy 1:9 (NTV): “God saved us and called us... to show us His grace through Christ Jesus.”**

C. _____.

- ▶ **1 Peter 2:9 (NTV): “You are a chosen people... royal priests... called out of darkness to show others His goodness.”**

At Metanoya, we believe every believer has a purpose and that purpose includes serving others.

You're not just saved to sit; you're saved to serve.

6. MY S.H.A.P.E. WILL DETERMINE MY _____

S: _____

- ▶ **1 Corinthians 7:7 (NLT): “Each person has a special gift from God, one of one kind or another.”**
- ▶ What am I gifted to do?

H: _____

- ▶ **Revelation 17:17 (NLT): “For God has put it into their hearts to accomplish His purpose.”**
- ▶ What do I love to do?

A: _____

- ▶ ***1 Corinthians 12:6 (NLT): “God works in different ways, but it is the same God who does the work in all of us.”***
- ▶ What natural talents and skills do I have?

P: _____

- ▶ ***Romans 12:6a (NLT): “In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well.”***
- ▶ Where does my personality best suit me to serve?

E: _____

- ▶ ***Romans 8:28 (NLT): “God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose.”***
- ▶ How has God used my past to prepare me for serving others?

We believe God never wastes a moment of your life; your gifts, passions, talents, personality, and even your pain were all shaping you for a purpose. When you understand your S.H.A.P.E., you begin to see that you were created on purpose, for a purpose.



Where Do I Go From Here?

Now that you know ministry means using your gifts to serve others, here's how to get started and stay faithful to God's plan for your life.

1. SIGN AND TURN IN YOUR MINISTRY COMMITMENT.

- ▶ Provided at the end of this Membership Class.

2. COMPLETE YOUR S.H.A.P.E. SELF-EVALUATION.

- ▶ Your evaluation will be provided to you before this class ends.

3. SCHEDULE YOUR ONE ON ONE.

- ▶ Set up a meeting with Executive Pastor Adam Perez to go over your evaluation and pray about where you feel led to serve.

4. MEET YOUR MINISTRY LEADER.

- ▶ After your one on one, you'll be introduced to the leader of the ministry team you'll be serving with.

5. ATTEND THE REQUIRED TRAINING SESSIONS.

- ▶ Your ministry leader will schedule training to equip you for role in serving.

6. BEGIN SERVING!

- ▶ Start using your gifts to serve God and make a difference!

7. ATTEND REGULAR VOLUNTEER MEETINGS.

- ▶ Each month, we gather for encouragement, and practical training.

8. CONTINUE GROWING SPIRITUALLY.

- ▶ Keep building your faith and leadership through events, classes, and conferences.

Metanoya Church Spiritual Gifts Evaluation (S.H.A.P.E.)

INSTRUCTIONS:

Read each statement and check (✓) the box if you feel it describes you.
Be honest—there are no right or wrong answers!

1. GIFTS THAT COMMUNICATE GOD'S WORD.

- ☐ I enjoy speaking in front of others and explaining the Bible clearly.
 - ☐ I naturally share the gospel with people who don't know Christ.
 - ☐ I feel called to reach people in different cultures or places.
 - ☐ I have a passion for starting new churches or ministries.
 - ☐ I feel comfortable with public speaking.
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2. GIFTS THAT EDUCATE GOD'S PEOPLE.

- ☐ I love studying and teaching the Bible in a way that helps others learn.
 - ☐ I enjoy encouraging others and helping them grow in their faith.
 - ☐ I can see practical solutions to problems and help others apply them.
 - ☐ I have a strong sense of discernment between right and wrong.
 - ☐ I enjoy gathering and organizing information for decision-making.
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3. GIFTS THAT DEMONSTRATE GOD'S LOVE.

- ☐ I like helping with practical tasks behind the scenes.
- ☐ I have a deep compassion for those who are hurting.
- ☐ I enjoy welcoming and making people feel comfortable.

- ☐ I love guiding and caring for a group of believers.
 - ☐ I love giving generously to support God's work.
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4. GIFTS THAT CELEBRATE GOD'S PRESENCE.

- ☐ I enjoy leading worship through singing or playing an instrument.
 - ☐ I love using art, design, or crafts to glorify God.
 - ☐ I have a deep desire to pray for others regularly.
 - ☐ I believe in praying boldly and have seen God move.
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NEXT STEPS:

- ▶ **Turn in Your Evaluation to our Membership Team.**
- ▶ **Set up Your One on One with Executive Pastor, Adam Perez –**
Share your results and explore opportunities that match your gifts.
- ▶ **Pray for Confirmation –** Ask God to lead you to the right ministry department to serve in.
- ▶ **Start Serving! –** Start in an area that fits your gifts and adjust as needed.



METANOYA CHURCH **MEMBERSHIP 301 MINISTRY COMMITMENT**

Now that I've committed to membership and spiritual growth, and I agree with Metanoya Church's Ministry Statement, I make the following commitments:

☐ **To Discover my unique S.H.A.P.E. for Ministry.**

- ▶ I will discover how God uniquely designed me and serve in the area that best fits who He made me to be.

☐ **To Prepare for Ministry.**

- ▶ I will attend training for the ministry I'm joining and commit to monthly team meetings.

☐ **To Serve with a Right Heart.**

- ▶ I will serve with love and humility—not for recognition, but to honor God and help people.

☐ **To Work Together in Unity.**

- ▶ I will support the department I serve in and put the good of the church above personal preferences.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: ____ / ____ / ____



MEMBERSHIP 401: LIVING ON MISSION!

401: LIVING ON _____

Luke 19:10 (NLT) "For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost."

1. THE CHURCH IS A _____.

2. WE'RE ALL CALLED TO _____.

▶ *2 Corinthians 5:20 (NLT): "So we are Christ's ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us."*

3. METANOYA'S HEART IS _____.

4. WE DO EVERYTHING SO PEOPLE CAN _____
_____.

5. YOU ARE _____.

▶ *Matthew 5:16 (NLT): "Let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father."*

6. GOD CALLED YOU TO A _____.

▶ *Acts 1:8 (NLT): "You will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere... to the ends of the earth."*



Commitment Goal:

I will live on mission with Christ and Metanoya Church.

THAT MEANS:

- ▶ **Sharing my testimony about how Jesus saved me.**
 - ▶ **Inviting others to church.**
 - ▶ **Living with purpose and boldness.**
- ▶ **Supporting the mission through serving and giving financially.**



METANOYA CHURCH **MEMBERSHIP 401 COMMITMENT**

Having completed Membership 401, I understand that I was not just saved from something, I was saved for something. I commit to living my life on mission to help others know Jesus.

I commit to:

- ☐ **Share my story** with people God places in my life.
- ☐ **Invite others to church** and be part of helping them find new life in Christ.
- ☐ **Live as a light** in my family, workplace, and community.
- ☐ **Support the mission** through serving, giving, and going: Locally, nationally, and globally.
- ☐ **I will not be a spectator.** I will be a missionary everywhere I go.

Luke 19:10 (NLT): "For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost."

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____