

# PART 5 ~ OUR CHALLENGE

## THE MEMBER'S CHALLENGE

### *TO BUILD UP THE BODY OF CHRIST*

At Transformation Church, we ask you to commit to church membership.

1. A \_\_\_\_\_ Reason: Christ died for the Church.
2. A \_\_\_\_\_ Reason: It defines who can be counted on. Every team must have a roster. Membership defines our family.
3. A \_\_\_\_\_ Reason: It produces spiritual growth. The New Testament places a major emphasis on the need for Christians to be accountable to each other for spiritual growth.
4. You cannot be accountable when you are not committed to any specific church family.

**A Christian without a church home is an \_\_\_\_\_.**

## THE MEMBER'S CREED

### TO HONOR THE BODY OF CHRIST

1. I will protect the \_\_\_\_\_ of my church by...

- Following the leaders.
- Acting in love toward other members.
- Refusing to \_\_\_\_\_.

*And let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds. [Hebrews 10:24](#)*

*Now may the God who gives perseverance and encouragement grant you to be of the same mind with one another according to Christ Jesus. Romans [15:5](#)*

*Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment... Ephesians [4:29](#)*

*Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they keep watch over your souls as those who will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with grief, for this would be unprofitable for you. [Hebrews 13:17](#)*

2. I will \_\_\_\_\_ the responsibility of my church by...

- Praying for its \_\_\_\_\_.
- Inviting the \_\_\_\_\_ to attend.
- Warmly \_\_\_\_\_ those who visit.

*We give thanks always for all of you, making mention of you in our prayers. [1 Thessalonians 1:2](#)*

***Go out into the highways and along the hedges, and compel them to come in, so that My house may be filled. [Luke 14:23](#)***

***Therefore, accept one another, just as Christ also accepted us to the glory of God. [Romans 15:7](#)***

**3. I will \_\_\_\_\_ the ministry of my church by...**

- Discovering my gifts & talents.
- Being equipped to serve.
- Developing a servant's heart.

***And he gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers... to the building up of the Body of Christ. [Ephesians 4:11-12](#)***

***Do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others. Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus. [Philippians 2:4-5](#)***

**I will \_\_\_\_\_ the testimony of my church by...**

- Attending faithfully.
- Living a godly life.
- Giving regularly.

***...not forsaking the assembling together... [Hebrews 10:25](#)***

***Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the Gospel of Christ. [Philippians 1:27](#)***

***On the first day of the week each one of you is to put aside and save, as he may prosper. [1 Corinthians 16:2](#)***

# THE MEMBER'S COMMITMENT

## TO STRENGTHEN THE BODY OF CHRIST

### 1. Commit to be a \_\_\_\_\_ of God's Word.

- **Hear** the Word (Romans 10:17).
- **Read** the Word (Revelation 1:3).
- **Study** the Word (Acts 17:11).
- **Memorize** the Word (Psalm 119:9-11).
- **Meditate** on the Word (Psalm 1:2-3)

### 2. Commit to be a \_\_\_\_\_ warrior. (Matthew 6:9-15)

- **Praise** – I express my love to God. (v.9)
- **Purpose** – I commit myself to God's will. (v.10)
- **Provision** – I ask God to meet my needs. (v.11)
- **Pardon** – I ask God for forgiveness. (v.12)
- **People** – I pray for others. (v. 12)
- **Protection** – I ask for spiritual protection. (v. 13)

### 3. Commit to be spiritually \_\_\_\_\_.

- Church is not something to \_\_\_\_\_; it is a place to \_\_\_\_\_ – to be spiritually connected.
  - A **brick** in a building.
  - A **part** of a body.
  - A **sheep** in a flock.
  - A **member** of a family.

### 4. Commit to be a \_\_\_\_\_ and a \_\_\_\_\_.

#### a. Tithing is about \_\_\_\_\_.

*For every animal of the forest is Mine, the cattle on a thousand hills. I know every bird of the mountains, and the creatures of the field are*

***Mine. If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the world and everything in it is Mine. Psalm 50:10-12***

***Thus all the tithe of the land... is the Lord's; it is holy to the Lord. Leviticus 27:30***

***But you shall remember the Lord your God, for it is he who is giving you power to make wealth... Deuteronomy 8:18***

**b. Tithing is about\_\_\_\_\_.**

***Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse... Malachi 3:10***

***Honor the Lord from your wealth and from the first of all your produce. Proverbs 3:9***

***But just as you abound in everything, in faith and utterance and knowledge and in earnestness and in the love we inspired in you, see that you abound in this gracious work also. 2 Corinthians 8:7b-8***

The Bible says we are to give \_\_\_\_\_, joyfully, sacrificially, and generously. 2 Corinthians 9:6-7

**5. Commit to sharing the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ.**

**a. It's \_\_\_\_\_.**

**All farmers know that the seed must go in before the crops come out. The Law of the harvest says...**

- ✓ You reap \_\_\_\_\_ you sow.
- ✓ You reap \_\_\_\_\_ than you sow.
- ✓ You reap \_\_\_\_\_ than you sow.

b. It's \_\_\_\_\_. *And he who is wise wins souls.* **Proverbs 11:30**

c. It's \_\_\_\_\_.

- There is great \_\_\_\_\_ in doing God's will.