

Members Covenant

Magnification

- ▶ I have committed myself to making the Jesus Christ the centre of what I do and how I live my life and therefore will seek to eradicate sin from my life.
- ▶ I will seek to please God and grow in my concern for Him, His people and His World more and more.
- ▶ I will, by God's strength, seek to magnify God more and more in my life by word and deed but will not to seek God's approval and justification through my life because Jesus Christ has already given me that justification.

Mission

- ▶ I am committed to work with this church to make the message of Jesus known to the world.
- ▶ I am committed to praying for the world and those who do not know Jesus.

Membership

As a member of this church I will seek to be committed to this community by:

- ▶ Being committed to praying for the community of this church.
- ▶ Seeking to give thoughtfully, prayerfully and generously to this church and the wider work of the Gospel as a reflection of what God has given me.
- ▶ Seek to grow in my relationship with Jesus by regularly reading the Scriptures, and praying.
- ▶ Encouraging, where I can, the unity of this and the wider Christian church.
- ▶ Hold to the truths upheld in the Bible and summarized in the doctrinal statement.

Ministry

- ▶ I am committed to the principle of serving the people around me.
- ▶ I will seek to join a Gospel community group.
- ▶ I will seek to come to church, small groups and events regularly.
- ▶ When I do take time to spend with others who do not know Jesus, I will let people at church know so the church can support and pray for me.

Privileges

As a member of this church I can expect

- ▶ that I will be cared for by the leaders and community.
- ▶ that I will have a voice in the major decisions of the church.
- ▶ that I will have opportunities to serve to build God's Kingdom and be supported and encouraged to do so.
- ▶ that I will have the option to join the online community.

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Doctrinal Statement

We believe in:

1. The divine inspiration, infallibility and sufficiency of Holy Scripture as originally given and its supreme authority in all matters of faith and conduct.
2. The unity of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit in the Godhead.
3. The universal sinfulness and guilt of humanity since the fall, rendering men and women subject to God's wrath and condemnation.
4. The conception of Jesus Christ by the Holy Spirit and his birth by the virgin Mary.
5. Redemption from the guilt, penalty and power of sin only through the sacrificial death of Jesus Christ, the incarnate Son of God as our representative and substitute.
6. The bodily resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead and his present ministry of ruling and interceding for his people.
7. The necessity of the work of the Holy Spirit to make the death of Christ effective in the individual sinner, granting him or her repentance towards God, and faith in Jesus Christ.
8. The indwelling and work of the Holy Spirit in the believer.
9. The joy of meeting with other Christians in the church on earth as a manifestation of the gathering of God's people in heaven.
10. The expectation of the personal return of the resurrected Lord Jesus Christ.