

# North Hills Church Membership Covenant

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Having, by God's grace alone, received the gift of eternal life through faith in the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, and having been baptized as a believer in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, I desire to covenant with the believers in this local expression of the body of Christ at North Hills Church.

I covenant with this body, by God's empowering grace, to:

- Humble and submit myself to the authority of God's Word as the final arbiter in all matters (Psalm 119, 2 Timothy 3:14-17, Hebrews 4:12, 2 Peter 1:19-21).
- Maintain spiritual fellowship with God by regular prayer and reading of God's Word (Psalm 19:7-11, 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, 1 Timothy 2:1-3, 8).
- Submit to the authorities God has given me in this church and earnestly serve in such a way as to be a joy to lead (1 Thessalonians 5:12-13, Hebrews 13:7, 17).
- Regularly attend worship services to hear the declaration of God's Word, to sing songs to the Lord and to each other, and to promote the unity of the church by submitting my preferences and desires to others (Ephesians 5:19-21, Philippians 2:1-3, Colossians 3:16, Hebrews 10:25).
- Submit myself to others for care and accountability, recognizing that God has created me for community not isolation. Furthermore, unless unable, I will engage in a life group, recognizing that this is the primary vehicle for care and accountability at NHC (Proverbs 18:1, Acts 2:42-47, Hebrews 3:12-13, 10:24-25).
- Serve this body with my time, energy, and spiritual gifts for the building up of the church, believing every believer is made for ministry and has a place of service (Romans 12:4-8, 1 Corinthians 12:4-11, 1 Peter 4:10-11).
- Give sacrificially of my financial resources in order to assist in the spread of the gospel both locally and globally, and to care for those in need (2 Corinthians 8:1-7, Philippians 4:14-19).
- Participate in the mission of the church by edifying believers and intentionally sharing the gospel with the lost (Matthew 28:16-20).

I have read and support the NHC Statement of Faith, Bylaws, Church Discipline and Restoration Policy, and Church Position on Sexuality, Marriage, Divorce and Remarriage, and I agree with the church's positions and policies.

We, the elders of NHC, while living the above, also covenant with you that we will:

- Lead the church as humble servants (Acts 20:28, Philippians 2:1-4).
- Appoint leaders that meet the biblical criteria for leadership (1 Timothy 3:1-13, Titus 1:5-9).
- "Watch over your souls as those who will have to give an account" (Hebrews 13:17).
- Equip you for the work of ministry (Ephesians 4:11-14).
- Administer the ordinances of baptism and the Lord's Supper (Matthew 28:18-20, Luke 22:14-20 Acts 2:38, 1 Corinthians 11:17-34).
- Preach and teach God's Word (1 Timothy 3:2, 4:11-13, 17, 2 Timothy 4:1-2, Titus 1:9).
- Strive to be examples of faith that can be imitated for God's glory (Hebrews 13:7).
- Annually re-sign the elder covenant.

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Leader: \_\_\_\_\_ Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

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