



MEMBERSHIP COVENANT

And being committed to the mission, vision, and beliefs of Southbridge Fellowship Church, it is my desire, by the empowering of the Holy Spirit, to enter into the following covenant with those who are part of this local church body:

1. I will seek to be conformed to the image of Christ by intentional pursuit of following the mission outcomes:

- **ENJOY GOD FULLY:** Pursuing intimacy with God through both public and private worship;
- **LIVE AS FAMILY:** Participating in authentic community with other believers for mutual support, accountability, and disciple-making;
and
- **TAKE A RISK:** Committing to faithfully use my time, talent, treasure and truth to fulfill the mission so that others might come to know Christ as their Savior, as I do, for the glory of God.

2. I will further commit to support the ministry and witness of Southbridge to the community and world by:

- Participating cheerfully and regularly in the financial support of the ministry,
- Supporting others fervently in Christian love,
- Upholding others in prayer and bearing one another's burdens during times of distress,
- Being intentional about my own spiritual growth and gospel saturation,
- Seeking to maintain unity of the body by seeking open and honest communications when I have concerns,
- Following the leadership of the church, submitting to principles of church restoration (Matthew 18).

Therefore I acknowledge the Lord's affirmation of my desire to join Southbridge Fellowship Church.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

(After signing and submitting the covenant, a time to share your testimony with leadership of the church will be arranged to complete the membership process.)

BELIEFS

Southbridge believes in...

The Holy Scriptures

We believe the Holy Bible to be the inspired, infallible, and authoritative source of Christian faith and practice. The Bible is a supreme revelation from God, superior to conscience, reason, tradition, and experience. (II Timothy 3:16, II Peter 1:20)

The Nature of God

We believe that there is one God, eternally present in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Matthew 28:18-20, Colossians 1:15-20, John 14:16, I Thessalonians 1:2-5, Ephesians 1:1-14)

The Sinfulness of Man

We believe that man was created in the image of God, but as a result of sin is lost and powerless to save himself. (Genesis 1:26, Romans 6:23, Romans 5:12)

Redemption through Christ

We believe that the only hope for man is to trust in Jesus Christ, the virgin born Son of God, fully God, fully man. Through faith in Christ's life, death, and resurrection, mankind is redeemed. (Matthew 1:18-25, John 1:4, John 3:16, I John 4:10, I Corinthians 15:1-5)

Salvation

We believe that salvation is by grace through faith alone. No amount of good works will produce justification before God. We further believe that the manifestation of faith and grace is a holy life expressed with a repentant heart through righteous works. (Romans 10:9, James 2:14-26)

Eternal Life

We believe that eternal life in heaven is the gift for all who believe and receive Jesus Christ as their Lord. In the same way, those who do not trust and believe in Christ are eternally separated from God in hell. (1 John 5:12, John 17:3, John 3:16, Revelation 21:8)

The Church/Mission

We believe that the Church is the Body of Christ, both universal and local, and is composed of individuals who, through faith in Jesus Christ, have been regenerated by the Holy Spirit. We believe that Jesus Christ is the head and Lord of the Church. The mission of the Church is worship, evangelism, discipleship, and nurturing care of one another. (Matthew 28:18-20, Colossians 1:18, Ephesians 2:19-22)