# Membership Covenant at Bethel Church

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_, having been led by God the Holy Spirit to receive Jesus Christ as my personal Savior and Lord,

having been **baptized** by immersion as a profession of my faith, being **committed** to personal growth as a disciple of Jesus, having **studied** Bethel's doctrine, purpose, and government, and **desiring to unite** in the worship, fellowship, and work of the local expression of Christ's spiritual body known as Bethel Church,

I enter into the following covenant with other Bethel members to be a:

#### **God Lover**

- Regularly read and meditate on Scripture. (II Tim 3:16,17; Rom 12:2; II Tim 2:15)
- Pursue a continual, intimate relationship with God through prayer and listening to God.
  (Ps 141:2; Col 4:2)
- Worship and learn regularly in Bethel worship services. (Ps 69:30; Ps 122:1; Acts 2:42)

## **Relationship Builder**

- Love one another as Christ loves us, being humble, gentle, patient, slow to take offense, and quick to forgive and seek forgiveness. (John 13:34,35; Eph 4:1,2; Matt 18:15-20)
- Invest energy and time in building authentic relationships to stimulate spiritual growth in one another, typically through a small group. (Heb 10:24,25; Acts 20:20; Col 1:28)
- Pray with and for one another, sharing our burdens, sorrows, and joys. (Rom 12:15; Gal 6:2)
- Promote unity, godliness, and scriptural faithfulness within the church. (Eph 4:3; Phil 2:1-4)

### **Obedient Follower**

- Commit to the Lordship of Christ and the authority of the Bible in how I conduct my life. (Lk 9:23,24; I Jn 5:2,3; Psalm 119:10)
- Turn from all godless living and sinful pleasures, and to live a consistent, God-honoring life. (*Titus 2:11-13*)
- Be a devoted, faithful, and spiritually encouraging spouse, if married. (*Eph 5:22-33; I Pet 3:1-7; Matt 19:3-6*)
- Offer Christian love, instruction, guidance, and discipline to any children God may entrust to me. (Eph 6:4; Titus 1:6)
- Give financially to the Lord through Bethel: consistently, proportionately, and generously. (Mal 3:10; Il Cor 8:7; I Cor 16:1,2; Il Cor 9:6-8)

## **World Influencer**

- Endeavor by example, relationship, word, and prayer to win others to an acceptance of Jesus as Savior and Lord. (I Cor 9:19-22; Col 1:28)
- Use my time, abilities, and spiritual gifts to assist in the work of the church and to promote its usefulness in making disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ in our community and the world. (Rom 12:6-8; I Cor 12; Matt 28:19,20)
- Promote what is godly in our community, and to demonstrate God's love to the poor and hurting. (*Matt* 5:13-16; *Matt* 25:31-46)