

## **THE EMMANUEL CHURCH MEMBERSHIP COVENANT**

Having received Christ as my Lord and Savior, having been baptized, and being in agreement with Emmanuel's statement of faith, mission, vision and values, I now feel led by the Holy Spirit to unite with the Emmanuel church family in membership. In doing so, I believe that with God's Grace I am able to live a disciplined Christian life and will strive to:

- a) Seek continually to enjoy God's presence and give praise to him;
- b) Commune with God daily through prayer and Bible reading;
- c) Make every effort to become established in small groups and/or mutual support groups;
- d) Participate weekly in Sunday worship;
- e) Endeavor to attend all business meetings of the church;
- f) Partake regularly of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, Holy Communion;
- g) Participate with other members of Christ's body in courses of Bible study;
- h) Use the spiritual gifts given to me by God, and perceived in me by the other members, for spreading the Gospel and nurturing the Body of Christ;
- i) Contribute regularly to the work of the church in a significant portion of both the time and the money which I hold in trust from God;
- j) Submit first to God, and under Him, to the leadership, guidance, and discipline of the Pastor(s) and Elders, taking care to avoid divisiveness and unprofitable controversy;
- k) Actively support the Pastor(s), Elders, and all others in leadership positions through prayer, encouragement, and acts of service.

I accept that, as outlined in Article V of Emmanuel's Constitution, the Board of Elders may remove me from active membership if I willfully absent myself from the common life of the congregation for a period of one year without adequate cause. My name will then be placed on an 'inactive' membership roll and I will no longer have voting privileges. Reinstatement to the active membership roll will be at my request and with the agreement of the Board of Elders.

I accept that, as outlined in Article V of Emmanuel's Constitution, the Board of Elders may remove me from membership if my conduct is blatantly ungodly and unrepentant. The process to be followed is outlined in Matthew 18:15-17.

Name:

Date:

Signature:

***“Know, Grow & Show Christ”***