



GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH

GCC Membership Covenant

We as a local church of Jesus Christ, having been led by the Spirit of God to repent and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ; now joyfully renew our commitments to God, His mission, and one another. We gladly confess our dependence on Christ working in us to fulfill any of the following.

Our commitments to God:

We commit to live for God's glory in every area of life. We will strive, by God's grace, to live a holy life – denying all ungodliness, while holding fast to the Lord through our profession of faith in Jesus Christ. We aim to draw near to God in corporate worship. We commit to seek the Lord through regular Bible reading and commune with the Lord through regular prayer. We will submit to God's word revealed in Scripture as our final authority.

Our commitments to His Mission:

We will partner together in the gospel by striving with God's help to be faithful to the Great Commission. As good soldiers of Jesus Christ, we will refrain from a civilian lifestyle and strive to finish the mission of our Lord by taking up the evangelistic ministry of reconciliation. We commit to pray fervently for gospel fruit in our city and among the nations. As a local church, we commit to train and send laborers into the all-nations harvest.

Our commitments to one another:

We will not neglect the assembling of ourselves together. We will keep the ordinances that the Lord has given His church, by being baptized after conversion and regularly remembering the work of Christ through communion. We will submit to the appointed elders who have been entrusted by God to serve this church. We will honor and assist the appointed deacons as leading servants. We will give cheerfully and generously for the support of this church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the Gospel to all nations.

We will walk together in Christian love – caring for one another with brotherly affection. We will rejoice at each other's happiness and bear one another's burdens with tenderness and sympathy. We will not use our Christian freedoms in such a way that causes others to stumble. We will not neglect to pray for one another.

We commit to building up this church, by stirring one another up to love and good deeds. We will humbly give and receive correction as occasion may require, in accordance with a New Testament understanding of church discipline and restoration. We will eagerly maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. We will refrain from slander, be slow to take offense, and be quick to reconcile.

We commit to not leave this church in order to evade church discipline. Upon leaving this local church, we will unite with another local church where we can carry out our Christian commitments as defined by the Word of God. When we fail to keep these commitments, by God's grace, we will confess our sins and turn again to walk in the paths of righteousness.

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. Amen.