



MINISTRY PARTNER COMMITMENT

Ministry Partnership implies that we are committed to seeing the kingdom of God grow through our church. It means that the church is not something we attend, but something we are, and as such, we assume responsibility for helping it achieve its purpose and vision. We are all at different stages in our spiritual growth and, as a result, need to show each other great amounts of grace as we learn to bear with each other and our failings. This Ministry Partner Commitment represents your desire to continue growing as a disciple of Jesus Christ and see our church community mature and fulfill its purpose.

- I declare Jesus Christ is Lord of my life and I have been baptized as a believer.
- I am actively attending a discipleship small group.

I accept and affirm the church's:

- Statement of Faith
- Vision for this coming year

I commit to:

Pursuing the Christ-like life wholeheartedly through:

Spending time regularly in God's word and prayer

Joshua 1:7-8

Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go. Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

Surrendering my life daily to the control of the Holy Spirit

1 John 2:6

Whoever claims to live in him must walk as Jesus did.

Ephesians 5:18

Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit

1 Peter 1:15, 16

But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy."

Living in obedience to the word of God

James 1:22

Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

Worshipping corporately, faithfully, and regularly

Hebrews 10:25

"Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing."

Helping the church fulfill its mission by:

Praying for the church, its ministries, its ministry partners and its leadership

Ephesians 6:18

And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints.

Developing and using my abilities, talents, spiritual gifts and resources within the church, or its extension ministries

1 Corinthians 12:7 (J. B. Phillips)

"Each man is given his gift by the Spirit that he may use it for the common good,"

Ephesians 4:12-13

to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

Deuteronomy 16:17

Each of you must bring a gift in proportion to the way the LORD your God has blessed you.

Sharing with others about God's purpose for their lives

Matthew 28:19-20

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you

Protecting the unity of the church by:

Refusing to gossip and disrupt the unity of the church

2 Corinthians 12:20

For I am afraid that when I come I may not find you as I want you to be, and you may not find me as you want me to be. I fear that there may be quarreling, jealousy, outbursts of anger, factions, slander, gossip, arrogance and disorder.

Resolving tensions quickly by lovingly applying Matthew 18:15-17 and Galatians 6:1

Matthew 18:15-17

"If your brother sins against you go and show him his fault, just between the two of you. If he listens to you, you have won your brother over. But if he will not listen, take one or two others along, so that every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses. If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if he refuses to listen even to the church, treat him as you would a pagan or a tax collector.

Galatians 6:1

Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. But watch yourself, or you also may be tempted.

Being patient with and encouraging others within the body

Ephesians 4:2-3

Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

Colossians 3:12-14

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

Submitting to the church leadership with regard to spiritual and moral matters, church vision and direction, and spiritual discipline.

Hebrews 13:17

Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give an account. Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no advantage to you.

I understand that this partnership expires at the end of each year and must be renewed and signed yearly to express my ongoing commitment.

Printed Name

Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature