

# The Living Hope Church Membership Covenant

All “Covenant” members of Living Hope Church uphold and agree to the following commitments:

As a follower of Jesus Christ, I commit, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to: participating in weekly worship; making fellowship a priority; providing for the church’s ministries; practicing personal, planned and proportionate giving; protecting the church’s unity; promoting church life; and praying for the unimagined blessing of the Lord upon the Living Hope Church.

1) Participating in the weekly worship of the Living Hope Church.

*Hebrews 10:25:* Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

2) Prioritizing the fellowship of the Living Hope Church.

*Acts 2:42-47:* They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

3) Providing for the ministries of the Living Hope Church. Covenant members agree to volunteer their time in service to the ministries of Living Hope Church.

*1 Peter 4: 8, 10:* Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers a multitude of sins... Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God’s grace in its various forms.

*Romans 12:4-8:* Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man’s gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him

teach; if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully.

4) Practicing personal, planned and proportionate giving to the Living Hope Church.

*I Corinthians 16:2:* Now about the collection for God's people: Do what I told the Galatian churches to do. On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made.

*II Corinthians 9:6-8:* Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

5) Protecting the unity of the Living Hope Church.

*Ephesians 4:3:* Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

*Ephesians 4:29:* Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.

*I Peter 1:22:* Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for your brothers, love one another deeply, from the heart.

*Hebrews 13:7:* Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith.

6) Promoting the life of the Living Hope Church. Covenant members will seek to match their Monday-Friday walk with their Sunday talk so they may be positive witnesses to Christ and His Church.

*Romans 12:1-2:* Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

*Ephesians 4:1-2:* I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.

7) Praying for the unimagined blessing of the Lord upon the Living Hope Church.

*Ephesians 3:20-21:* Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

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Participate in the church's weekly worship,  
Prioritize its fellowship,  
Provide for its ministries,  
Practice personal, planned and proportionate giving,  
Protect its unity,  
Promote its life, and  
Pray for the unimagined blessing of the Lord upon the Living Hope Church.

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