

Mission Boulevard Baptist Church Covenant

Note to the Reader: This is a modern church covenant from an unaffiliated, local, visible, New Testament church. This covenant is presented for your consideration and comparison to other church covenants. – Paul W. Davis

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour,

And on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost,

We do now, in the presence of God, angels and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We therefore engage, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church, in knowledge, holiness, and comfort;

To promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines;

To contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotions; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances;

To walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our

deportment;

To avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger; To abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Saviour.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love;

To remember each other in prayer;

to aid each other in sickness and distress;

to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech;

To be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of the rules of our Saviour to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage that we will be true to our calling here and will not leave unless called by the Holy Spirit to another ministry where we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.

Entered into by the charter members of Mission Boulevard Baptist Church during organizational services on October 27, 1975.