



## Olivet Bible Church

### MEMBER COVENANT

#### **Expectations of Covenant Members:**

As a member, I commit to the body of Christ, the church (Romans 12:4-5; 1 Corinthians 12:27). As a member at Olivet Bible Church, I will fulfill the following:

- Affirm and uphold the Olivet Bible Church Statement of Faith.
- Have been baptised into a meaningful and sacramental baptism. (Acts 2:38; 1 Peter 3:21)
- I will worship the one true God with Olivet Bible Church members for as long as I am physically able (Romans 12:1; Hebrews 10:24-25). The goal of my regular weekly worship is to give God glory (Romans 11:36; Hebrews 13:15).
- I will grow spiritually through regular involvement in worshipping gatherings at Olivet Bible Church in addition to regular personal worship and Bible education time. I understand the purpose of these programs is building community with other believers and holding each other accountable to the Word of God (Acts 2:44-47; 2 Timothy 3:16-17).
- I will give to God abundantly, sacrificially, and joyfully, recognizing God as the owner of all things (Psalm 24:1; Proverbs 3:9). This giving is the giving of resources the Lord has chosen to manifest his blessing in my life; Time, Talent, and Treasure.
- I will seek unity with other church members. I recognize God's design for the church is unity in diversity, and I will put the interests of others above my personal preferences (Ephesians 4:1-6; 1 Peter 3:8-9).
- I will guard the reputation of the church and submit to discipline for any sin problems in my life (Matthew 18:15-20).
- I will pray for and follow the leadership of Olivet Bible Church (Hebrews 13:17-18). I will pray privately and with the church corporately. I will pray for people to accept Christ, and I will pray for the growth of all disciples.
- I will sacrifice by serving first, following the servant model of Jesus Christ (Mark 10:45). I will make my attitude that of Christ and through humility make the gospel my priority (Philippians 2:5-11).
- I will be committed to biblical and doctrinal circumspection of Olivet Bible Church and its leaders; and when biblically convicted, bring said circumspections to light for the leadership to hear, evaluate, and when needed heed (Galatians 1; 1 Peter 2:9).

According to the Father's will, with Christ as my Lord and Savior, led by the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and being in agreement with Olivet Bible Church's covenant, doctrine, and leadership, I joyfully unite with this church and commit myself to God and the other members.

**Expectations of Pastors:**

- We commit as pastors within the body of Christ to join Olivet Bible Church in fulfilling the expectations of covenant members in the above section.

Additionally, we commit to the following expectations:

- We will seek God’s guidance and wise counsel for Olivet Bible Church to steward resources entrusted to the church in a way that gives God utmost glory (Acts 20:28; 1 Peter 5:1-4).
- We will care for the church and lead with grace, truth, and loving kindness as a reflection of Christ to the church (Matthew 28:16-20; Ephesians 4:15-16; Colossians 1:28; James 5:14).
- We will teach all of God’s Word at all costs (1 Timothy 4:1-5; 2 Timothy 3:16-17).
- We will equip members of the church for the work of ministry (Ephesians 4:11-16).
- We will protect the doctrine of Olivet Bible Church, and we will guard the church against false teachers and false teaching, at all costs. (Matthew 7:15; Acts 20:28; 1 Timothy 1:3-7).
- We will act in a way that is above reproach, making our families the priority of our ministry (1 Timothy 3:1-7). We understand the way we live will affect the church we lead, and we will live in a way that elevates the reputation of the godhead as well as Olivet Bible Church.
- We will lead the church in exercising discipline in a way that is gracious and caring, protecting the health of the church, as a whole (Matthew 18:15-20; 1 Corinthians 5; Galatians 6:1; James 5:19-20).
- We will humbly listen to the members of the congregation as co-laborers within the priesthood of all believers concerning their biblical circumspection of Olivet Bible Church in our communal seeking of truth and obedience to the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ (Jeremiah 5:31; Romans 1:12; 1 Peter 2:9).

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Covenant Member Signature

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Date

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Pastor Signature

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**COVENANT MEMBER CONTACT INFORMATION**

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