

New Member Affirmation AFFIRMATION OF COMMITMENT

And all who believed were together Acts 2:44a

We thank the Lord for your desire to publicly commit to this body of believers here at Immanuel Bible Church.

It is important to understand that *Membership* involves concrete commitments. So, with the aid of the Holy Spirit:

- Will you faithfully assemble in public worship, Bible study, and prayer as a church family—observing, with sobriety, the ordinances of Christ: of baptism and the Lord's Supper? (Eph. 5:19-20; Matt. 26:26-29; 28:19)
- Will you work diligently to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace? (Eph. 4:1-3; John 17:21)
- Will you speak the truth in love, both giving and receiving admonition, with a spirit of humility, so that Christ may be formed in us all? (Eph. 1:15; Col. 1:28; Gal. 4:19)
- Will you endeavor to steward wisely the time and resources the Lord has graciously afforded you–seeking to exercise your spiritual gifts in order to edify others? (1 Cor. 12:7; Eph. 5:16)
- Will you commit to praying for your brothers and sisters in the Lord; for the elders who watch over your soul; and for the lost who do not know Christ? (Eph. 6:18; Heb. 13:17; 1 Tim. 5:17)
- Will you seek to be equipped for the 'work of service' so that you may actively contribute to the building up of this body of Christ? (Eph. 4:12, 16)