

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP (updated 8/10/15)

Today's Date:

Name:

Address, Phone, Email:

1. Have you trusted Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior?
2. Have you been baptized since the time of your salvation?
If so, were you baptized by immersion? What significance did this baptism have for you?

If not, will you agree to obey the Lord in this ordinance?

3. How long have you been attending NBC and why did you first attend?

4. Why do you desire to join NBC?

5. What is the name/address of the church you were formerly a member or attended?

6. Why did you leave your former church? Are you aware of any unresolved conflicts with anyone at your former church?

7. Have you thoroughly read our Statement of Faith and Bylaws?

Do you understand and agree with those doctrines? If there is any area of misunderstanding or disagreement, please briefly state what it is.

Do you agree to come under the shepherding oversight of the leadership of NBC and agree to not be divisive, but instead to discuss with them any matters of disagreement in the spirit of Christlike love in a private and godly manner?

8. Have you completed or begun our membership class?

9. In what areas of ministry at NBC do you hope to become involved?

10. Person testimony of salvation. Give a brief description of your life *before* salvation.

How did you become a Christian?

Give a brief description of your life *since* you've come to Christ.

NBC Church Membership Covenant and Agreement

The Church Covenant consists of commitments you make to God and the members of Newtown Bible Church. As you affirm each commitment, rely on the Holy Spirit's enablement to fulfill your vow, as we seek to live out the Gospel in community...

- I will work and pray for the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.
- I will walk together in brotherly love, as becomes the members of a Christian Church, exercise an affectionate care and watchfulness over each other and faithfully admonish and entreat one another as occasion may require.
- I will not forsake the assembling together, nor neglect to pray for others.
- I will endeavor to bring up such as may at any time be under my care, in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, and by a pure and loving example to seek the salvation of my family and friends.
- I will rejoice at each others' happiness and endeavor with tenderness and sympathy to bear each other's burdens and sorrows.
- I will seek, by Divine aid, to live carefully in the world, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, and remembering that, as we have been voluntarily buried by baptism and raised again from the symbolic grave, so there is on us a special obligation now to lead a new and holy life.
- I will work together for the continuance of a faithful evangelical ministry in this church, as we sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines. I will 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.
- I will, when I move from this place, as soon as possible, unite with some other church where I can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.
- I will respect, support, cooperate with, obey and submit to the loving leadership of this church as they exercise their biblical responsibilities of shepherding the members of this church in accordance with Scripture.
- I will exercise my God-given spiritual gifts in order to build up the believers in this local church and do all I can to stimulate them to love and good deeds.]

We believe that to carry on the religious mission of the church, to preserve the function and integrity of the church as the local Body of Christ, and to provide a biblical role model to the church members and the community, it is imperative that all persons who associate with the church as members should abide by and agree to the following statements and conduct themselves in accordance with them.

_____ **A. Statement of Faith** (including, but not limited to statements on authority and conduct, marriage and sexuality, and sanctity of human life)
(initial)

_____ **B. Constitution and By-Laws** (including, but not limited to the process of membership, church discipline, and termination of membership)
(initial)

The statement of faith does not exhaust the extent of our beliefs. The Bible itself, as the inspired and infallible Word of God that speaks with final authority concerning truth, morality, and the proper conduct of mankind, is the sole and final source of all that we believe. For purposes of Newtown Bible Church's faith, doctrine, practice policy, and discipline, our Board of Elders is Newtown Bible Church's final interpretive authority on the Bible's meaning and application.

I have reviewed the statements above as indicated by my initials before each of them, have had ample opportunity to ask questions of the leadership at NBC, and agree to be governed by all the provisions herein.

Name (Please print, then sign)

Date