

Commitment of Church Members: I commit to these things by signing below.

Embracing Christ:

- ❖ I have embraced Christ as my Savior. I submit to God's Word. With God's help and grace, I endeavor to have more of my life be transformed by Him.
- ❖ I have read and understand CrossWay Church's doctrinal statement. I may not agree with every doctrinal stance, but I commit to not be divisive to its teaching and will be diligent to preserve unity and peace in our congregation (Eph. 4:1-3; Heb. 13:7, 17).

Loving Others

- ❖ I promise to be part of the CrossWay Church family by actively participating in the life of the church.
- ❖ I commit to do what I can to build and deepen relationships with other members.
- ❖ I promise to submit to the leadership of CrossWay Church if they ever need to speak the truth to me in a loving and gracious way.

Serving Our World:

- ❖ I promise to strive to use the gifts that God has given me to serve the church and the world around me.
- ❖ I commit to steward the resources God has given me, including my time and treasure (Prov. 3:9-10; Rom. 12:1-2; Gal. 5:22-26; Eph. 4:1-16; 5:15-18). This includes regular financial giving, and other acts of service in the church community and outside of it.

Church Member Name (Printed): _____

Your Signature: _____ Date: _____

Commitment of Church Leaders: We commit to these things by signing below.

Embracing Christ:

- ❖ We promise to seek God's will for our church and follow the Spirit's leading for it (Acts 20:28; 1 Peter 5:1-5).
- ❖ We commit to set a godly example and fulfill the general duties of church members (1 Cor. 11:1; Phil. 3:17; 1 Tim. 4:12).
- ❖ We promise to provide biblical teaching from the whole of Scripture (Acts 20:27-28; Gal. 6:6; 1 Tim. 5:17-18) and to be on guard against false teachers (Acts 20:28-31).

Loving Others

- ❖ We promise to care for you by providing personal guidance and seeking your growth as a disciple of Christ.
- ❖ We commit to pray for you regularly, particularly when you are sick or have particular needs that you share with us (James 5:14).
- ❖ We promise to speak the truth in a loving and gracious way and exercise church discipline only when necessary (Matt. 18:15-20; 1 Cor. 5; Gal. 6:1). We commit to doing all we can to help you overcome sin in your life and help you grow.

Serving Our World:

- ❖ We promise to do what we can help you discover your unique gifts and provide you opportunities to use these gift in the church community and in the world.

Elders: Jeff Cutter _____ Devin Bowen: _____

Brad Vos (Pastor): _____

Date: Feb. 10, 2013

CrossWay Church Membership Covenant:

Introduction To Church Membership:

Being a member of CrossWay Church is really about being part of a family. We believe that a local church is a unique family of believers that God has brought together and the Holy Spirit empowers to reflect Christ and live out His mission to the world. Membership is your way of stating that you want to officially be part of this church. As Christians, we are members of God's household (Eph. 2:19) called to participate, and minister within the body of Christ. A healthy local church requires members who are sacrificially committed and well-equipped to do the works of service that God has prepared in advance for us to do (Eph. 2:10; 4:12).

Members who enter into a covenant (the set of promises listed on the back) with CrossWay church are called to a higher degree of responsibility and service. Church membership also entitles you to voting rights within the government of our church (Ex. selecting leaders) and the option of baptizing your children. Church membership is a two way street. It isn't just about a member's promise to the church. It is CrossWay Church's promise to them. CrossWay elders and deacons also covenant to assist members first and foremost, to love and lead, provide counsel and aid, and pray for, teach, and guide them.

CrossWay Church's Membership Covenant contains three sections. A personal statement of faith, a commitment of members to CrossWay Church and a commitment from CrossWay Church's leaders' to its members.

Statement of Personal Faith:

CrossWay takes church membership seriously. We believe that membership starts with a basic belief about who Jesus Christ is and what the main principles that the Bible teaches. By becoming a member of CrossWay, I acknowledge the faith and beliefs outlined below.

- ❖ I believe that the Bible is in the inspired, infallible (inerrant) Word of God. It is the ultimate authority in my life.
- ❖ I believe in the Trinity –that God is three co-eternal persons: Father, Son (Jesus) and Holy Spirit.
- ❖ I believe that God the Father is the designer, creator and sustainer of this universe (1 Cor. 8:6; Eph. 1:3-6).
- ❖ I believe that Jesus is fully God and fully man, that he was born of a virgin, lived a sinless life, died on the cross and suffered the wrath of God for the sins of the world (Substitutionary Atonement). He rose again from the dead and ascended into heaven. He will come again some day to establish judge all people, eradicate evil and establish the new heavens and earth.
- ❖ I believe that Holy Spirit convicts believers of sins (Jn. 16:8-11), and equips them to put their faith in Christ and become more like Him(1 Cor. 2:13; Eph. 1:5).
- ❖ I am a Christian and have put my faith in Jesus Christ. I realize that I am saved from the eternal wrath of God solely by faith in Jesus Christ, my Lord and Savior, through his death and resurrection, which assures me of eternal life (John 3:16-18; Rom. 3:23-26). I have repented of my sins. Thus, I have been made a new creation in Christ (1 John 1:9; 2 Cor. 5:17).
- ❖ I have been baptized (as an infant or adult) and publicly professed my faith in Christ. Thus, I personally identify with the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus, and to publicly demonstrate my commitment as a disciple of Jesus (Col. 2:12; 1 Peter 3:21).