



CONSUMING FIRE CHRISTIAN CENTER HANDBOOK

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Greeting from Our Pastors

Dear Member

As a member of Consuming Fire Christian Center (CFCC), we would like to welcome you to the fellowship. It is our prayers that you will find encouragement, wisdom in the Kingdoms, joy, fruitful ministry and most of all that your mature in Christ Jesus.

We encourage every member to service in a ministry at CFCC. Your service can be six months to one year in any area ministry, after which you can move to another ministry within the Church. This helps you gain wisdom in Kingdom and improve ministries within the Church.

This official Handbook of Consuming Fire Christian Center (CFCC), based upon the Word of God, is your guide to what we believe and what we do – our values, our mission, and our objectives. I trust this handbook is a source of inspiration and information in your Christian walk.

We are proud to serve as pastors. Our constant prayers are with and for you as we always avail ourselves to help you get where God wants you to be.

Your Servant in Christ

Pastors Keith & Bernadette Hudson



Church History

Consuming Fire Christian Center was birthed from an encounter with God at a prayer meeting. The Ministry began September 2001 at the John Grace Community Center in Southfield, Michigan.

Since that time, the fire of God has consumed our ministry. **Signs, Wonders, Healings, Miracles** and **Life Changing** experiences have impacted many as the Word of God is declared.

We declare the clarion call to the Body of Christ to position themselves for the Latter Glory—proclaiming the Word of God with Inspiration, Power and Dynamic demonstration of the Holy Spirit to this last day generation.

It is our Pastor's desire to impart into each person a passion for Jesus, Empowerment of the Holy Spirit and to rebuild the tabernacle of David – A worshipper. We are pursuing the return of the Glory of God back to His Church.

We are non-denominational and are founded upon the teachings of the Bible. We believe in fellowship with all believers no matter what denomination.

Overview

Consuming Fire Christian Center (CFCC) has been serving the community with Michigan. The overall mission of CFCC is to win souls for the glory of God by the teaching, preaching and demonstrating the God's Word through worship services, bible study, evangelism, mission work and Christian education. This is accomplished by using the resources of the various ministries, auxiliaries and organizations of the church coupled with reaching out beyond the walls of the church into the community and oversees to benefit mankind.

Motto

For no word from God shall be void of power. Luke 1:37 ASV



Our Mission

Consuming Fire Christian Center is determined, through the Power of the Holy Spirit, to raise up men and women of integrity who are rooted and grounded in the Word of God. They will be infused and consumed with the power and anointing of the Holy Spirit-to reach the lost-dying and destitute with the hope of the Gospel of Jesus Christ who died for the sins of the world. It is our mission that as the ministry goes forth, it will ignite fires of revival throughout the community and the world.

PURPOSE

- Foster an atmosphere that encourages people to know God more intimately and to recognize His voice and His calling in their lives, and to learn to move in obedience to the leading of the Holy Spirit, that we can be consumed with His presence.
- Provide a place where men and women may find salvation, spiritual refuge, deliverance, and healing (spiritual, mental and physical).
- Train men and women to know the principles of the Bible and the Christian faith.
- Teach Christians how to walk in victory, by the Word of God, through holiness and true worship and as they do the work of ministry.
- Encourage Christians to fulfill the Word of God and prepare them to go into all the world with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.



WE COMMIT OURSELVES TO HIM...IN WORSHIP.

We commit ourselves to anointed worship—to glorify God in Spirit and in truth, unashamed of our extravagant love for Jesus Christ. We commit ourselves to be a people who live in, and for, the glory of God. In our endeavor to enable every believer to become a true worshipper, we will ask the Lord to provide anointed, gifted worship leaders, and we will equip them in every way possible as they lead our congregations in authentically expressed, spiritually alive worship to the Lord.

WE COMMIT OURSELVES TO HIM...IN DISCIPLESHIP

We commit ourselves to personal spiritual growth and discipleship. It is God's will for every believer to mature in Christ-like character. Spiritual formation brings glory to our Creator and Savior and validates our witness to the world. We will use every effective means to spiritually develop believers in our churches and to prepare continuing generations for service.

We commit ourselves to training and equipping. We will diligently train new leaders called by the Lord. We will encourage and enable pastors, teachers, evangelists, missionaries and lay leaders to reach their full potential in ministry. We pledge that our national and district offices, as well as our training institutions, will be vital, indispensable ministry resource centers. Excellent training and meaningful resource materials will be provided for our church leaders to enable them to effectively equip God's people for service.

WE COMMIT OURSELVES TO HIM...IN EVANGELISM

We commit ourselves to a renewed passion for evangelism. We are asking God to birth in us new compassion for those who are perishing without Christ. Every member and every ministry of this Fellowship must be compelled by the lostness of humanity. We will reach out to the oppressed and wounded. To all who are marching blindly to everlasting death, numbed by the immorality, materialism and rampant decay of our society. With God's help, we will reach every home and every culture in our communities with an adequate witness of the gospel of Jesus Christ. We will use every effective, biblical, outreach method the Holy Spirit gives us to bring people to salvation and transformation through the love and lordship of Jesus Christ.



We commit ourselves to compassion ministries. We will touch the poor and the suffering with the compassion of Christ and will demonstrate His love in practical ways, providing food, clothing and medical care. Through our church and mission programs, we will minister to the total human need, both spiritual and physical. We will proclaim God's unconditional love, His provision of forgiveness, and His pathway of acceptance to all who are broken by sin—poor and rich alike—and urge them to receive and follow Christ.

We commit ourselves with unrelenting passion to the great cause of worldwide missions. In this cause, we pledge ourselves anew to extend the bonds of partnership with fraternal fellowships around the world. The Lord of the harvest clearly spoke to the hearts of our founding fathers that our church shall, without reservation, be of one mind in the task of world missions. We believe God that, in the grip of the Spirit's conviction, every member will support in prayer and sacrificially give to this cause. Most importantly, we pledge the greatest of all investments—men and women who will take their places in the vast, unreached fields of end-time harvest.

We will remain faithful to sound biblical doctrine. We must “contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints” (Jude 3) and be ever mindful of “destructive heresies” (II Peter 2:1). Our Statement of Fundamental Truths begins, “The Scriptures, both the Old and New Testaments, are verbally inspired of God and are the revelation of God to man, the infallible, authoritative rule of faith and conduct (2 Timothy 3:15-17; 1 Thessalonians 2:13; 2 Peter 1:21).” This is not only the first of our fundamental truths, but foundational to all we believe and live. Salvation through Jesus Christ, divine healing, the second coming of Christ, and the baptism in the Holy Spirit will be kept at the forefront of our commitment only as we adhere to the eternal Word of God.

We will actively seek, depend on and yield to the working of the Holy Spirit. The world desperately needs to see Jesus in us through the fruit of the Spirit. We will embrace and grow in His gifts and graces. We will press in to manifest more of His power. We will be a church of the Spirit in the 21st Century, living in first century fullness. We reaffirm the baptism in the Holy Spirit to be a God-appointed blessing and are fully persuaded that it is God's promise for every believer to receive this wonderful gift so that the church may be advanced with signs and wonders following. We call each generation to a fresh baptism of divine power for service and ministry. We will not allow the way we live to be characterized by apathy, dryness or mere mental assent to doctrines—void of power. We will be people of the Spirit, dynamic and relevant in a post-Christian culture.



We will saturate all we do in prayer. With humble hearts, we acknowledge that we may serve God only in the energy of the Holy Spirit. Public and private prayer, a consistent devotional life and the personal study of God's Word are the very foundation for our future. With one heart, we commit ourselves to prayer, to fasting and to the development of networks of prayer throughout our communities and around the world.

We will serve our Lord in a cooperative spirit. We will do everything possible to work together in harmony and not in competition. We will be a people united by God in the recognition that there is "one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all" (Eph 4:5-6a). We will work for cooperation with other assemblies to foster unity and to advance the kingdom of God. Depending upon the Holy Spirit, we will discover new ways of networking with other churches in our communities to expand our witness and effectiveness. We will lay aside self-serving promotion and stand ready to encourage and support the ministry of others knowing that we are laborers together with the Lord.

Core Principles

We Believe in the following Bible Principles:

- Holiness/ righteousness according to the Word of God
- Baptisms and Communion (The Ordinances of the Church established by the Apostles)
- Baptism in Water (In Name of Jesus Christ)
- Baptism in the Holy Spirit with evident of speaking in Tongues
- Baptism in Fire (Tests and Trials of the Believer)
- Confession of our Faith in the Lord Jesus Christ
- Repentance from Sin
- Forgiveness for yourself, enemies and all others
- Evangelism/ Mission leading others to Christ
- Supernatural things of God (Divine healing, raising of the dead, casting out devils /demon, etc.)
- Heaven and Hell
- Servicing God and His people
- Giving of Tithes, offering and sowing seed into the Kingdom from the Heart



Core Educational Classes for Consuming Fire Christian Center

Our goal is to provide core biblical education for the believers and ministries of Jesus Christ. This biblical education will help you find and prepare for you ministry in the Kingdom of God.

New Member Class Itinerary

Your Foundational Classes are:

Class Title	Date Completion
Introduction to CFCC	
New Birth/ Salvation	
Church Covenant	
Church Policies and Procedures	
Tithing, Offering and Sowing Seed	
Baptism of the Holy Spirit	
Learning to Hear the Voice of God	
Praying and seeing	
Faith	

Ministry Classes

If you are called to Ministry, the following are the classes you will need to take to get licensed and ordain. Ministers under the covering of CFCC is provide insurance to cover counseling and deliverance issues that many arise, etc.

Level One Classes: Local Ministers

Class Title	Date Completion
Old Testament Survey	
New Testament Survey	
Hermeneutics	
Homiletics	
Gifts and Callings/ Praying in the Spirit	



Level Two Classes – Licensed Ministers

Class Title	Date Completion
Counseling	
Ceremonies	
Doctrines of the Bible	
Demons and Deliverance	
Kingdom and Angels	

Level Three Classes – Ordained Ministers

Class Title	Date Completion
Servants of the House/ Praise and Worship (The Flow)	
Five-fold Ministry/ Pastoring	
Starting Churches/ church finances	
Designing your vision and mission -	

Other Ministry Educational Helps

CFCC provide round tables to provide in-depth discussion on timely topics relating to biblical issues. Members and visitors can come together to share real solutions and collaborate on challenges-receiving insight from others.

The following are the round tables:

- The Prophet Table
- The Pastor Table

The Ministry also provide “How to” Specialty Classes. These classes provide the base principles and the application on how to Examples: How to Interpret dreams, moving in Signs and Wonders and etc.



Doctrines of Consuming Fire Christian Center

Consuming Fire Christian Center embraces the following statements concerning the truth. The Bible is our all-sufficient rule for faith and practice. This Statement of Fundamental Truths is intended simply as a basis of fellowship among us (i.e., that we all speak the same thing; I Corinthians 1:10; Acts 2:42). No claim is made that it contains all biblical truth, only that it covers our need as to these fundamental doctrines. We do not presume to say the phraseology employed in this Statement of Fundamental Truths is inspired or that it is the final work on Bible truth. However, we are persuaded it is proper and consistent with the Holy Scriptures to “set forth in order a declaration of those things which are most surely believed among us” (Luke 1:1).

Abortion

We believe that human life begins at conception and that the unborn child in a mother’s womb is a living human being. Abortion constitutes the unjustified, unexcused taking of unborn human life. Abortion is murder. We reject teachings that the abortions of pregnancies is an acceptable and godly practice. (Deuteronomy 18:9; Ecclesiastes 5:18; Psalms 139:13; Jeremiah 1:5; Exodus 21:22; Hebrews 13:8)

Alcohol

The Scriptures speak often of the **destructive power of alcohol**. Noah’s drunkenness brought shame to his family (Gen. 9:20-27). Lot’s drunkenness resulted in an incestuous relationship with his two daughters (Gen. 19:30-38). An inebriated Xerxes sought to humiliate Queen Vashti publicly (Est. 1:9-22). The consumption of alcohol impairs judgment, inflames passions, and invites violence (Lev. 10:8-11; Prov. 20:1, 23:29-35, 31:4,5).

Angels and Demons

God created the angels to be His servants and messengers (Nehemiah 9:6; Psalm 148:2; Hebrews 1:14). Satan is a fallen angel who led a group of angels in rebellion against God (Isaiah 14:12-17; Ezekiel 28:12-15). He is the great enemy of God and man, and the demons are his servants in evil. He and his demons will be eternally punished in the lake of fire



(Matthew 25:41; Revelation 20:10).

Anointing Oil is Administered for Healing

The anointing oil is administered for both physical and spiritual restoration with the laying on of hands when required (Mark 16:18; James 5:14). If sins have been committed against Christ or His Body they are to be confessed.

Assurance of Salvation

Assurance means that you, a believer in Jesus Christ, have confidence that you are in the family of God and therefore have eternal life. Assurance looks at our eternal salvation from man's viewpoint. The central passage is 1 John 5:13. Each clear verse about eternal salvation, such as John 3:16, stresses the basis for assurance because God keeps His Word.

Baptism

We believe the New Testament teaches at least three baptisms. First, there is the baptism whereby the repentant sinner, upon trusting Jesus Christ as his Savior, is baptized by the Holy Spirit into the Body of Christ (I Corinthians 12:13). Secondly, there is water baptism by immersion for believers only. This we believe to be an ordinance of the church, whereby the believer experiences the reality of co-crucifixion and co-resurrection with the Lord Jesus Christ (Matthew 28:19-20; Romans 6:3-6). Thirdly, there is the filling or baptism in the Holy Spirit by the Lord Jesus Christ, which may occur at or subsequent to conversion. We believe that speaking in tongues as the Spirit gives the utterance is the normative evidence of this baptism. Further, we believe that by the believer's continued submission to the Holy Spirit, his very weakness is transformed into strength to witness for Jesus Christ in power, and to live according to the will of God (Acts 1:5-6; 10:46; 11:28; 19:6).

Baptism - Ordinance

Baptism by immersion shall be observed as commanded in the Scriptures by all who have repented of their sins and have believed on the Lord Jesus Christ to the saving of their souls and who give clear evidence of their salvation (Matthew 28:19; Acts 2:38; Romans 6:3-5; Colossians 2:12). Those who have become partakers of Christ by faith in His shed blood are commanded to be water baptized (by immersion) in the Name of Jesus Christ (Acts 2:38, 8:16, 19:5, 22:16). In this act of faith we participate in Christ's burial and resurrection and receive a circumcision of the heart (Genesis 17:1-4; John 3:1-6; Romans 2:28-29; I Peter 3:18-22; I John 5:8).



Baptism in the Holy Spirit

The baptism in the Holy Spirit is a necessary and vital experience for every believer and is evidenced by the initial physical sign of speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. Those who seek the fullness of the Spirit shall receive prayer for the baptism in the Holy Spirit (Acts 8:15-17; 19:2-6).

Blessed Hope

The resurrection of those who have fallen asleep in Christ and their translation together with those who are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord is the imminent and the blessed hope of the church (I Thessalonians 4:16-17; Romans 8:23; Titus 2:13; I Corinthians 15:51).

Carnality

Carnality comes from the word for flesh, sarkikos, and by extension often refers to man living apart from God's power and Word, whether a believer or unbeliever. When one lives by his own power, he is living by his human fallen nature, which works through the flesh or body. The believer who lives by his human nature instead of by the Holy Spirit is said to be carnal. The central passage is 1 Corinthians 3:1-3 where believers are living like unbelievers and are called carnal. Galatians 5:16-21 states the conflict between the flesh and the Holy Spirit, and gives some works of the flesh that are sins. Carnality is opposite to spirituality. Confession of sin to God restores the believer to walking in the light, to fellowship (1 John 1), and to walking by the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5).

Christian Service

Christian service is serving God and believers through the power of the Holy Spirit, mainly in the area of one's spiritual gift, through godly love, when abiding in Christ, and to God's glory. This is the application and expression of the Christian life (John 15:1-5; 1 Peter 4:10-11; 1 Corinthians 12:4-7; 1 Corinthians 10:31).

Confirmation

Confirmation is administered by the laying on of hands of the presbytery to confirm the believer in the faith and service of Christ. This is done after the believer has been instructed and established in the doctrines of Christ (John 7:17; II John 9; Acts 8:17; 14:21-23; 15:32, 41; 19:6, Galatians 2:9, I Timothy 5:24).



Creation

- 1. Of the World:** God spoke into existence the world and all things that it contains, for His own pleasure, and the enjoyment of His creatures (Revelation 4:11; I Timothy 6:17).
- 2. Of Man:** God created man in His image according to Genesis 1:26 as a triune being consisting of spirit, soul (which is made of the mind, will, and emotions), and a body.

Death

As a result of original sin, all mankind is subject to the death of the body. The soul does not die with the body, but immediately after death enters into a conscious state of happiness or misery according to the character here possessed either by rejection or acceptance of the Savior (Romans 5:12; Ecclesiastes 12:7; Philippians 1:23).

Dedication of Children

The dedication of children is the presentation of a child to God, and therefore establishes a covenant between God and parents. God promises blessing and protection to the child whose parents are faithful to rear him/her in the services of the Lord. Such a child is made holy and is part of the covenant family of God by the faith of his parents until he/she reaches the age of accountability, whereupon he/she becomes responsible as an individual before God and is commanded to repent (Psalms 34:11; Isaiah 54:13; Matthew 19:14; Mark 10:13-16; Luke 18:15-16; I Corinthians 7:14).

Deliverance

The need for deliverance is manifested by an inability to be free from bondage: e.g. mental (emotional), physical, or spiritual normally associated with demon activity. It is God's desire to bring deliverance to His people (Job 5:19; Psalms 91:3; II Timothy 4:18; Hebrews 2:15; II Peter 2:9). We have been granted the authority in the name of Jesus to bring deliverance to others (Mark 16:17; John 14:12; I Corinthians 12:8-11). We must understand that our warfare is with the forces of evil (Ephesians 6:12), our weapon is the Word of God, our authority and power are from Jesus Himself (Mark 16:17; Acts 1:8) and that the battlefield is in the spiritual realms (Ephesians 6: 10-18; II Corinthians 10:3-5; Romans 8:9; Galatians 5:22-23).



Divine Healing

Deliverance from sickness is provided for in the atonement and is the privilege of all believers. The ministrations of the laying on of hands accompanied with the anointing of oil for the healing of the sick shall be granted as request is made and the need may require (Isaiah 53:4-5; Matthew 8:16-17; Mark 16:17-18; James 5:14-15).

Dress Guidelines

The obedience of a child of God is not measured by what clothing we wear but by our walk in the Spirit. A believer is to dress modestly with the Christian simplicity that becomes holiness, not to indulge of pride in dress or behavior (Proverbs 29:23; 1 Timothy 2:8-10; James 4:6; 1 Peter 3:3-4; 1 John 2:15-17; Galatians 5:16).

Economics

Biblical economics is a free enterprise system with the ownership of private property, the right to accumulate wealth, and proper taxation (Leviticus 27:30-33; Proverbs 3:9; Proverbs 6:6-11; Proverbs 10:5; Proverbs 10:11, 26; Proverbs 13:22; Proverbs 22:22; Proverbs 24:30-34; Ecclesiastes 5:18-20; Matthew 22:17-22.)

Education

As Christians, one of our responsibilities is to make sure that our children and we are educated in the godliest manner possible. God has entrusted us with children and He will require an accounting of what we did with them (2 Chr. 17:9; Psalm 78:1; 2 Tim. 3:16-17; Rom. 1:20; Eph. 6:4; John 1:17).

Eternal Covenant

The Eternal Covenant leads to the Covenant of Grace. Whereas the Eternal Covenant was made between the Father and the Son, the Covenant of Grace is made between God and man. This latter covenant is where God promises eternal salvation to man based upon Jesus' sacrifice on the cross. The manifestation of that covenant occurs in our world in a sequence of additional covenants that God made with individuals: Adam (Gen. 2:15-17), Noah (Gen. 9:12-16), Abraham (Gen. 17), the Israelites at Mount Sinai (Exodus 34:28), and believers in the New Covenant (Jer. 31:31-37).



Eternal Security

Eternal security means that when a person believes in Jesus Christ as Savior, he can never lose his eternal life. The Bible clearly teaches that once we believe in Jesus Christ as Savior, our eternal destiny is fixed and secure. Security looks at our eternal salvation from God's viewpoint (Ephesians 1:13-14; John 10:27-30).

Evangelism

Evangelism, the communication of the gospel message, includes a warning, an explanation, and a call. Evangelism includes warning people about sin and the consequences of sin (John 16:8; Acts 24:25; Revelation 20:11-15). It includes an explanation of God's remedy for sin—the gospel (Acts 8:29-35; Romans 3:21-26; 2 Corinthians 5:21), and it includes the clear call to repent (to turn from sin and to turn toward God) and believe the gospel, by faith (Mark 1:15; Luke 13:1-5; Acts 17:29-31; Romans 1:17; Romans 10:9-13).

Fasting

Believers may fast as long as our motive and attitude is right before God: humility, recognition and expression of our dependence and need for God in our lives, intercessory prayer for others and ourselves, and focusing ourselves on God's will and our ministry for Him.

- a. To show genuine humility, repentance, confession of sin, and need of the Lord (1 Samuel 7:6; Jeremiah 36:9; Ezra 10:6; Nehemiah 9:1-2; Joel 2:12; Daniel 9:2-20; 10:2-3).
- b. To pray for others, especially those ill (Psalm 35:13; 2 Samuel 12:15-23).
- c. To pray for guidance and safety (Esther 4:3, 16; Ezra 8:21-31).
- d. At the hour of one's death (Judges 20:26; 1 Samuel 31:13; 2 Samuel 1:12; 3:35).
- e. To concentrate on service for the Lord (Acts 13:1-4; 14:23).

Family

The family is the first and most important classroom and training ground for society. The family provides the security, the heritage, and the perpetuation of morality without which no society can survive (Genesis 4:1-2; Ephesians 6:1-4).



Fellowship with God

Fellowship with God emphasizes the friendship relationship with God the Father and the Son. Sin breaks the fellowship; confession of sin restores the fellowship. When in fellowship with God, believers partner with God in service and enjoy a close friendship. The central passages are 1 John 1 and John 13. Since one is no longer walking in darkness (sin), the Holy Spirit also leads and controls the believer as Galatians 5 teaches. John 15:1-9 uses the term “abide” which also refers to fellowship with Jesus Christ.

Final Judgment and Eternal State

We believe that at death the spirits and souls of those who have trusted in the Lord Jesus Christ pass immediately into His presence and there remain in conscious bliss until the resurrection of the glorified body, when Jesus Christ comes for His own. Whereupon soul and body reunited shall be with Him forever in glory; but the spirits and souls of the unbelieving remain after death conscious of condemnation and in misery until the final judgment of the Great White Throne when soul and body reunited shall be cast into the lake of fire, not to be annihilated but to be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power (Luke 16:19-26; 23:42; II Corinthians 5:8; Philippians 1:23; II Thessalonians 1:7-8; Jude 6, 7; Revelation 20:11-15).

There will be a final judgment in which the wicked dead will be raised and judged according to their works. Whosoever is not found written in the Book of Life, together with the devil and his angels, the beast and the false prophet, will be consigned to everlasting punishment in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death (Matthew 25:46; Mark 9:43-48; Revelation 19:20; 20:11-15; 21:8).

Five-Fold Ministry

The church is to be taught and led by the apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers for the purpose of every believer seeing and exercising his/her priestly and kingly ministry as outlined in I Peter 2:5,9 and Revelation 16. The five-fold ministry is to teach and train its people to do the work of the ministry with maturity and unity in mind. Working with these ministries will be elders, deacons, and the gifted men and women of the church (Romans 12:3-8; I Corinthians 12:12; Ephesians 4:11-13; I Timothy 3:2-12; Titus 2:1-15).



Gifts of the Spirit

The nine gifts of the Spirit set forth in I Corinthians 12 should be and must be operative in the church to enjoy the fullness of God. These gifts are imparted by the sovereignty of the Holy Spirit and only work or are operated by this one and the self-same Spirit (I Corinthians 12:11).

Giving

Biblical giving is the giving of self and wealth to God and His work, and doing so voluntarily and out of love for God and His work.

Central passages of Scripture for giving: Matthew 6:3-4; 1 Corinthians 16:1-3; 2 Corinthians 8-9; Galatians 6:6-8; Philippians 4:10-19, 1 Timothy 5:8, 17-18; 3 John 5-8.

Godly Love or Christian Love

This is God's kind of love in us for others, especially for believers. John 3:16 and Romans 5:8 demonstrate that God's love is sacrificial. Since this is true, godly love—Christian love—is also sacrificial. The Holy Spirit produces it in a believer who is controlled by the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23; Romans 5:5). Christian love is not dependent on the person who is loved. It depends on the source. Godly love pleases God (2 John 5-6). The basic idea in godly love is sacrifice for others—thinking of others first and doing for them that which is in accordance with God's will and God's good, and that which is needed. Furthermore, it includes responsibility, which is being accountable to God, to doctrinal principles, and to one's level of spiritual growth; protection of others by way of verbal protection (what we say), mental protection (our thoughts), and physical protection; self control which relates to sacrifice, responsibility, and protection; and thankfulness. First Corinthians 13:4-7 personifies love by saying what it is and does, and what it is not and does not do. Godly love contrasts with friendship love which is for certain people.

Help of the Poor

We believe that it is the intent of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ to feed the hungry (Matthew 25:34-40; Isaiah 58:7-8); to care for the poor (Matthew 19:21; Psalm 112:9; II Corinthians 9:6-9); and to care for the widows and orphans (James 1:27). We further believe that such ministry should be toward His name to both saints and unbelievers (Hebrews 6:10).



Homosexuality

This organization is opposed to homosexuality as an alternative lifestyle. Additionally, this organization holds that a homosexual lifestyle is contrary to God's Word and purpose for humanity (I Timothy 1:10). The Bible instructs that it is a sin that leads to death. Moreover, this organization is instructed to love those living such lifestyles, while abhorring their sin. 1 Cor. 6:9 says the following: "Do you not know that the wicked will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: Neither the sexually immoral nor idolaters nor adulterers nor male prostitutes nor homosexual offenders." Members of the church are forbidden to practice such sin.

Infallible Word of God

We believe that the Holy Scriptures, both Old and New Testaments, were written by holy men inspired by the Holy Spirit and are God's revealed word to man. They are the sufficient, infallible rule and guide to salvation and all Christian worship and service (II Peter 1:20-21; II Timothy 3:15-17; I Thessalonians 2:13). The Bible is the inspired Word of God, equally in all parts and in the whole; it is totally inerrant in the original manuscripts. It is the supreme revelation from God and of God, superior to conscience and reason, though not contrary to them; and it is therefore our infallible rule in all manners. All the Scriptures center about the Lord Jesus Christ and hence, no portion is properly read nor understood until it leads to Him.

Jesus Christ, the Son of God and the Son of Man

- Jesus was born miraculously of the Virgin Mary (Matthew 1: 23; Luke 1:31, 35).
- He lived a sinless life (Hebrews 7:26; I Peter 2:22).
- He came into the world to save men from the guilt and condemnation of sin (John 3:16), offering His blood as atonement (I Corinthians 15:3; II Corinthians 5:21) and making it available to all who exercise faith in Him.
- He resurrected from the dead (Matthew 28:6; Luke 24:39; I Corinthians 15:4).
- He is exalted to the right hand of God (Acts 1:9, 11; 2:33; Philippians 2:9-11; Hebrews 1-3).
- His divinity is proved from His titles, His attributes, and His works (John 1:14; Luke 1:26-35; Acts 4:12; Acts 16:31).



- He is presently seated at the right hand of God the Father, interceding for His redeemed.
- We also acknowledge Jesus Christ as Lord over all things in Heaven, and in Earth, and under the Earth (John 1:12-14; I Timothy 3:16; Acts 7:37-38; Philippians 2:9-10; Hebrews 7:25).

Justification

Justification is the legal act whereby God declares the sinner to be innocent of his or her sins. It is not that the sinner is now sinless, but that he/she is "declared" sinless. This declaration of righteousness means the person is justified before God. This justification is based on the shed blood of Jesus, "...having now been justified by His blood..." (Rom. 5:9) where Jesus was crucified, died, buried, and rose again (1 Cor. 15:1-4). God imputed (reckoned to our account) the righteousness of Christ at the same time our sins were imputed to Christ when He was on the cross. That is why it says in 1 Pet. 2:24, "And He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed." Also, 2 Cor. 5:21 says, "He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him." Additionally, we are justified by faith (Rom. 5:1) apart from works of the Law (Rom. 3:28).

Kingdom Citizenship

Sovereign God rules all creation, but He favors those that are in faith relationship with Him. He puts them in His kingdom by grace through faith (1 Chronicles 29:11; Psalms 2: Jeremiah 50:17-20; Daniel 4:17, 25, 32; Haggai 2:21-22; Luke 8:22-36).

All believers are citizens of God's kingdom and commanded to be patriotic toward His Kingdom (Philippians 1:27; 3:20).

Laying on of Hands

We adhere to a simple belief that power or anointing of any other necessary quality can be transmitted from one person touching another. The Levitical priesthood first practiced this (Numbers 8:10-11, 27:22-23). Jesus practiced it as a blessing, (Mark 10:13-16) and He, as well as others, used it for healing (Mark 5:22-23; 16:18; Acts 14:3; 19:11-12; 28:8; Luke 4:40), conferring office (Acts 8:16-18), receiving anointing (I Timothy 4:14) and for ordination (I Timothy 4:14).



We believe in the doctrine of the laying on of hands for:

1. The confirming of believers to commitment and ministry in the local church.
2. The confirming of one's call by God to special ministry in the local church (Acts 13:1-3).
3. The imparting of spiritual gifts (I Timothy 4:14; II Timothy 1:6).
4. The experiencing of the baptism of the Holy Spirit (Acts 8:17-18).
5. The ministry of healing of the sick through the Lord Jesus Christ (Mark 16:16).
6. The blessing and dedicating of children to the Lord (Mark 10:16).

We further believe that, in obedience to the Holy Scriptures, we should lay hands on no man suddenly, but that the laying on of hands confirms a ministry, which is already observable and has been proven (I Timothy 5:22).

Law and the Gospel

The Law is the do's and don'ts of moral behavior. God gave the Law so that people would have a guide to live by and a standard by which they might recognize God's purity and their sinfulness. There are 613 commandments in the Old Testament. They oversee moral, judicial, and religious behavior.

The Law is a reflection of the character of God, because the Law comes forth from the very heart of God. Since it is not possible for us to keep the Law and therefore earn our position with God, we then need the holiness of God given to us ---- because there simply isn't any way for us to attain to the standard of God. Therefore, "...The law was put in charge to lead us to Christ that we might be justified by faith," (Gal. 3:24).

Liberty or Freedom

Liberty or freedom includes privacy and personal responsibility, and is the direct application of God's sovereignty and human volition. The Bible teaches both spiritual freedom and human freedom (John 8:31-36). God created man in His image and man therefore received moral freedom and volition, with the result that he was created to live in freedom—to live with free choice or freedom (Genesis 1:26-31). The exercise of freedom requires free people to grant freedom and privacy to others. Personal responsibility, therefore, goes hand in hand with freedom. Tyranny and slavery often occurred due to the sin nature of man, but God willed for human freedom to predominate. For example, when an Israelite was enslaved, "Every Israelite (man or woman) who had become a slave might not only be redeemed at any time by his relatives but, if this did not take place, was bound to receive his freedom without payment in the seventh year, with a present of cattle and fruits (Exodus 21:2; Deuteronomy 15:12-15). Indeed all slaves of Hebrew descent, with



their children, obtained freedom without ransom in the Jubilee year (Leviticus 25:39–41)." (The New Unger's Bible Dictionary, 1988. 444) The very fact of volition and authority argue for human freedom. The Law of Moses outlines human freedom for Israel, God's priest nation (Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 146:7; 119:45; Isaiah 61:1; 1 Peter 2:16).

Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is a memorial of the covenant made with God through the blood of Christ. It is a continuation of the Passover Feast, which God commanded His covenant people to observe. Those who have made covenant with God through the blood of Christ and have been water baptized are instructed to participate. The church participates in the Lord's Supper as a body or family, with each covenant partner in fellowship adding to the blessedness of the experience (Exodus 11, 12; Mark 14:24; Luke 22:19-20; I Corinthians 10:16; 11:23-26).

Marriage

God created marriage (Gen. 2:22). It is a covenant made between a man and a woman that makes them one (Gen 2:24). The marriage covenant requires the married parties to be faithful, loving, and helpful to each other as long as they both shall live (Mark 10:3-10). Christians are not to marry unbelievers (2 Cor. 6:14-18). Those whom God has directed to be joined together shall, after counseling with the pastor concerning what God requires of them, be joined in Christian marriage (Malachi 2:13-16; Matthew 5:32; 19:5-6,9; Romans 7:2-3; I Corinthians 7:10-11, 15; II Corinthians 6:14; Ephesians 5:22-23).

This church observes the wedding ceremony as holy and unto God. It is a religious ceremony and cannot be conducted in this church without pastoral consideration. Any couple wishing to conduct their wedding ceremony in this church must first submit to pastoral counseling that is approved by this church. The couple must also live a lifestyle that is consistent with this church's doctrinal views.

Millennial Reign of Christ

The second coming of Christ includes the rapture of the saints, which is our blessed hope, and is followed by the visible return of Christ with His saints to reign on the earth for one thousand years (Zechariah 14:5; Matthew 24:27, 30; Revelation 1:7; 19:11-14; 20:1-6). This millennial reign will bring the salvation of the national Israel (Ezekiel 37:21-22; Zephaniah 3:19-20; Romans 11:26-27) and the establishment of universal peace (Isaiah 11:6-7; Psalm 72:3-8; Micah 4:3-4).



Ministry and Distribution

The Bible relates that covenant partners of the Levitical order were to be paid from the tithes and offerings presented (Numbers 18:21-24; Deuteronomy 12:19; 18:1-2) by the people to the men/women of God at the church. The church believes that the Word of God sets forth that the sacerdotal functions to be performed by the Levites are: (a) The care of the sanctuary (Numbers 1:49-53; 18:2-4; I Chronicles 6:48; 23:27-32); (b) The ushers in the temple (I Chronicles 9:17-27, 26:12-19); (c) Treasurers (I Chronicles 26:26-28); (d) Singers (I Chronicles 9:33-34); (e) Instructors in the law (Leviticus 10:10; Ezekiel 44:24); (f) Assistants to the priests (Numbers 3:9; I Chronicles 23:28-32); (g) Secretaries (I Chronicles 2:55; II Chronicles 34:13); (h) Overseers of building and repairing the temple (I Chronicles 23:2-4; Ezra 3:8-9); (i) Inquirers of God (Exodus 28:30, Numbers 27:21, Ezra 2:63, Nehemiah 7:65); (j) Ministers before the ark (I Chronicles 16:4); (k) Musicians (I Chronicles 15:16, 16:42); (l) Protectors of the tabernacle (Numbers 1:53); (m) Ministers of God (Numbers 3:12, 39-49); (n) Prayers (II Chronicles 30:27; I Chronicles 23:30); (o) Teachers (II Chronicles 35:3, Nehemiah 8:9); (p) Praises (II Chronicles 8:14); and (q) Providers of music for worship (II Chronicles 5:12; 7:6; 29:30; 30:15-27).

Therefore all persons participating in the above functions of the Levites in the church shall be candidates for commissioning into the ministry and shall be eligible for receipt of the Levitical distribution from the church. The senior pastor with the counsel of the board of directors shall determine the amount of such distribution.

Missions

Missions are the whole task, endeavor, and program of the Church of Jesus Christ to reach out across geographical and/or cultural boundaries by sending missionaries to evangelize people who have never heard or who have little opportunity to hear the saving gospel.

Music

Music and song are a product of, reflection of, and appreciation of God's word, works, and person inside a believer. Biblical music honors God, teaches and recalls Bible doctrine, and encourages people. Biblical music expresses the thinking, free will, emotion, conscience, and self-consciousness, though it especially joins the learned doctrine in the soul and human spirit with the emotion of the soul and human spirit. In church assembly, the ministry of music prepares the congregation for the ministry of God's Word (Psalm 30:4, Psalm 57:9, Colossians 3:16, 1 Chronicles 15:16; 25:1, Exodus 15:1-18, 1 Samuel 16:23, Acts 16:25, James 5:13).



Nationalism

God planned that people would live in groups called nations. These nations would have similar culture including language, geography, and heritage. Each of these national distinctions provides for a balance of power among nations and protects against a monolithic power over many groups. We can look at Genesis 10 and 11 for the beginnings of human government in the post-flood civilization (Genesis 10:32-11:9; Acts 17:26-27).

New Covenant

This is the new covenant of the Messianic age where the law of God is written upon the hearts of men (Jer. 31:31,33); it was promised in Eden (Gen. 3:15); it was proclaimed to Abraham (Gen. 12:3), and it was fulfilled in Christ (Luke 1:68-79).

New Heavens and New Earth

We, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness" (II Peter 3:13; Revelation 21:22).

Of the World to Come

We believe that the end of this age is rapidly approaching (I Peter 4:7). We believe in "That Blessed Hope" -the personal, imminent return of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (Acts 1:11; I Thessalonians 4:13-18). We believe in the bodily resurrection of the just and of the unjust, the everlasting blessedness of the saved, and the everlasting punishment of the lost without Christ (Acts 24:15; Matthew 24:31-46; Revelation 22:11).

One God

We believe that Scripture teaches there is one and only one true and living God, who is self-existent, and the eternal "I AM," the creator of heaven and earth, and the redeemer of mankind. We believe that He has chosen to reveal Himself as Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, the same in essence, though distinct in personality (Deuteronomy 6:4; Isaiah 43:10-11; Matthew 28:18-19; Luke 3:22). These three are one God, having the same nature, attributes, and perfection and are worthy of the same homage and obedience (Mark 12:29; John 1:14; Acts 5:3, 4; II Corinthians 13:14; Revelation 1:4-6). The mode of His existence, however, is a subject far above the understanding of man. He is the fountain of all perfection and happiness. He is glorified by the whole of creation and is worthy to be loved and served by all intelligence.



He, therefore, is the only proper object of worship (Jeremiah 10:10; Exodus 3:14; Psalms 90:2; Matthew 28:19, 20; Job 11:7; Psalms 19:1, 2; 145:10; 150:6; Exodus 34:14).

Ordinances of the Gospel

- 1. Baptism in Water:** We believe water baptism is commanded of every believer, and a necessary requisite for going on to spiritual maturity. When done in faith, it is the means whereby those who have been justified by faith in the blood of Jesus Christ receive a circumcision of the heart, are made participants in the death and resurrection of Christ and thus are delivered from the dominion and rule of sin. The ordinance of baptism is a burial with Christ, to be observed, whenever physically possible as commanded in the Scriptures by all who have repented and truly believed in their heart on Christ as Savior and Lord. The method of baptism will be by immersion in the Name of Jesus Christ. They declare to the world that they have died with Jesus and that they have also been raised with Him to walk in newness of life. It is the circumcision of the heart by faith and through the working of the Spirit of God. Water baptism is the taking on of a great responsibility, because in it a person makes an everlasting commitment to God (Matthew 28:19-20; Acts 2:38, Acts 10:47-48; Colossians 2:11-12).
- 2. The Lord's Supper:** The Lord's Supper, consisting of the elements, bread and the fruit of the vine, is the symbol expressing our sharing the divine nature of our Lord Jesus Christ, a memorial of His suffering and death, and a prophecy of His second coming. It is enjoined on all believers 'until He comes' (John 6:48, 51, 53-57; Luke 22:19-20; I Corinthians 2:11-12).

Ordination

The Bible relates that those who are chosen by God to a specific work should be recognized by appointment and ordination to the work (Mark 3:13-15; I Chronicles 9:22; II Chronicles 11:15; 23:18; I Corinthians 7:17; Titus 1:5; I Timothy 2:7). Thus are those to be set in order in their function as Levites for the ministry of the work and so those in the church might know and receive those who have a position in the work of the ministry.



Primitive Man and His Fall

Our first parents, in their original state, were upright. They naturally preferred and desired to obey their creator, and had no preference or desire to transgress His will until they were influenced and inclined by Satan to disobey God's commands. Previous to this, the only tendency of their nature was to do righteousness. In consequence of their first transgression, the state under which the posterity of Adam came into the world is so different from that of Adam that they have not that righteousness and purity which Adam had before the fall; they are not willing to obey God but are inclined to do evil. Hence, none, by virtue of any natural goodness and mere work of their own, can become the children of God (Genesis 1:26-31; 3: 1-7; Ecclesiastes 7:29; Psalms 51:5; John 6: 44; Romans 5:12-21; I Corinthians 2:14).

Promise of the Father

All believers are entitled to, and should ardently expect and earnestly seek the Promise of the Father, the baptism in the Holy Ghost and fire, according to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ. This was the normal experience in the early Christian church. With it come the endowment of power for life and service, and the bestowment of the gifts and their uses in the work of the ministry (Luke 24:49; Acts 1:4-5; I Corinthians 12:1-31). This wonderful experience is distinct from and subsequent to the experience of the new birth (Acts 2:38; 10:44-46; 11:14-16; 15:7-8).

Repentance

Repentance means to decide to turn from one's sin; it is not a condition of salvation; faith in Christ as Savior is the only condition for salvation (John 3:16; Acts 16:31; Ephesians 2:8-9).

Responsibility of the Believer

We believe that it is essential that each believer lay a foundation of Biblical truth and experience upon which he/she builds his/her life. These foundation stones are: repentance from dead works, faith toward God, doctrine of baptisms, laying on of hands, resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment, all of which are prerequisites to going on to perfection (spiritual maturity) (Hebrews 6:1-2).



We believe each Christian is called and chosen in God to be a priest unto God to offer up the sacrifice of praise (the fruit of the lips), to give of their time, strength, and material possessions to the service of the Lord. All believers have been purchased with the blood of Jesus Christ and are no longer their own, but belong to the Father to be used for His glory; and as possessions of the Lord, must give themselves to serving Him, finding their place in the church, His body, and making themselves available by being present when the church comes together, that they might be able to minister their gifts and talents for the building up of the Body of Christ (John 15:16; Ephesians 1:4-5; I Corinthians 6:20; 12:18; Hebrews 13:15; I Peter 2:5,9). We believe that the whole purpose of man is to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever. Therefore, we believe in the act of praising and worshipping God with one's total being as set forth in the Holy Scriptures. We also believe that praising God is a form of spiritual warfare (Psalms 149; 150; Mark 12:29-31; Ephesians 5:18-21).

Salvation of Man

Man's only hope of redemption is through the shed blood of Jesus Christ, the only Son of God. Salvation is received through repentance toward God and faith toward the Lord Jesus Christ. By the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, being justified by grace through faith, man becomes an heir of God according to the hope of eternal life. The inward evidence of salvation is direct witness of the Spirit and the outward evidence to all men of a life of righteousness and true holiness (Luke 24:47; John 3:3; Romans 10:13-15; Ephesians 2:8; Titus 2:11; 3:5-7; Romans 8:16; Ephesians 4:24; Titus 2:12).

Salvation is an inclusive word, which gathers into itself all the redemptive acts and processes, i.e., justification, redemption, deliverance, imputation, sanctification, glorification, etc. The Hebrew and Greek words for salvation imply the ideas of deliverance, safety, preservation, healing, and soundness. Salvation is by grace through faith, is a free gift, and wholly without human works (Romans 3:27-28, 4:1-8, 6:23, Ephesians 2:8). Salvation is in these three tenses:

- 1. Condition of Salvation** - The grace of God, which brings salvation, hath appeared to all men, through the preaching of repentance toward God and faith toward the Lord Jesus Christ; man is saved by the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Ghost, and, being justified by grace through faith, he becomes an heir of God according to the hope of eternal life (Romans 10:13-15; Luke 24:47; Titus 2:11; 3:5-7; Ephesians 2:8-9).



- 2. Evidences of Salvation** - The inward evidence to the believer, of his salvation, is the direct witness of the Spirit (Romans 8:16). The outward evidence to all men is a life of unconditional love, righteousness, and true holiness, demonstrated by the fruit of the Spirit (John 13:35; Galatians 5:22-23; Ephesians 4:24).
- 3. Final Result of Salvation** - The spirit of the believer who dies in Christ immediately goes to be with the Lord (Ecclesiastes 12:7; Luke 23:42-43; II Corinthians 5:8).

Sanctification

Sanctification is the process by which, according to the will of God, we become partakers of His holiness; that it is begun at regeneration; and that it is carried on in the hearts of believers by the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in the continual use of the appointed means, especially the Word of God, self-examination, self-denial, watchfulness, and prayer (I Thessalonians 4:3; I John 2:29; Romans 8:5; Philippians 2:12-13). Sanctification is an act of separation from that which is evil, and a dedication unto God (Romans 12:1-2; I Thessalonians 5:23; Hebrews 13:12). The Scriptures teach a life of "holiness without which no man shall see the Lord" (Hebrews 12:14). By the power of the Holy Ghost we are able to obey the command: "Be ye Holy, for I am Holy" (I Peter 1:15, 16). Sanctification is realized in the believer by recognizing his identification with Christ in His death and resurrection and by faith reckoning daily upon the fact of that union, and by offering every faculty continually to the dominion of the Holy Spirit (Romans 6: 1-11, 13; 8: 1-2, 13; Galatians 2:20; Philippians 12:12-13; I Peter 15).

Scientific Accuracies in the Bible

Science is merely that branch of discovery that categorizes, discovers, and utilizes the knowledge woven into the fabric of the universe by a Sovereign, All Powerful, and Omniscient, Creator. Science is not the end of all things, but merely one of the means by which man may glorify God. This is because God is the creator of all that is. He has hidden the treasures of his glorious glory in the very universe in which we exist. The power in the atom, momentum, energy, mass, time, etc. are all creations of God and, therefore, under his authority. The more the Christian learns of these things, the more he can glorify God. Science must be subservient to Him, not the other way around. Science is not God's replacement. This is not to say that the Bible is vindicated by science; rather, it is science that is vindicated by the Bible (Genesis 7:11, 15:5, , 8:22, 28; Isaiah 40:22; Job 26:7--8; 2 Samuel 22:16; Psalm 8:1,3,6,8, 102:25--26; Ecclesiastes 1:6--7).



Smoking

The Bible commands us not to allow our bodies to become "mastered" by anything. Smoking is undeniably strongly addictive. Scripture teaches us to care for our bodies, "Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body". Smoking is undoubtedly very bad for your health. Smoking has been proven to damage the lungs and the heart (1 Corinthians 6:12, 6:19-20).

Spirituality

The ministry of the Holy Spirit emphasizes function in our lives. One needs the Holy Spirit to live correctly. A believer is either spiritual or carnal. Personal sin takes one out of spirituality and into carnality. Confession of sin changes one from living by the flesh and puts one into living by the Holy Spirit. We continue on living by the Holy Spirit by faith. Spirituality is attained through a believer's walk with the Spirit, by not grieving the Spirit, and by quenching not the Spirit (1 Thessalonians 5:19; Ephesians 4:30; Galatians 5:16-6:1, 1 John 1).

Spiritual Growth

Spiritual growth refers to the progressive advancement in the biblical faith. This depends on the ministry of the Holy Spirit, fellowship, learning God's Word, faith, testing, and application (Ephesians 4:12, 14, 15; 2 Peter 3:14-18, 1 Peter 2:2, Hebrews 5:11-6:6).

The Church & The Body of Christ

The Church is the Body of Christ, the habitation of God through the Spirit, with divine appointments for the fulfillment of her great commission. Each believer, born of the Spirit, is an integral part of the general church, which is written in heaven (Ephesians 1:22-23; 2:22, Hebrews 12:23).



The Church and the Ministry

We believe that all who are united by the new birth to Jesus Christ are covenant partners of the Universal Church, the Body of Christ. We also believe that the local congregation of Christian believers is divinely instituted and is the chosen instrument of God for the furtherance of God's work here on Earth. While appreciating the work of para church groups, we believe that the local church is God's chosen vehicle for world evangelization and the nurture of Christians. We further believe in the spiritual unity of all believers and in working together with others who believe in salvation through the shed blood of Jesus Christ for the causes of evangelism, missions, and benevolence (Matthew 16:16-18; John 17:21; Ephesians 1:20-23; 4:3-10; Colossians 3:14-15). The church is the Body of Christ, the habitation of God through the Spirit, with divine appointments for the fulfillment of her great commission and purpose. Each believer, born of the Spirit, is an integral part of the Church of the Firstborn, whose name is written in heaven in the Lamb's Book of Life. As such, the Bible reveals that we are covenant partners one of another and the basis of our fellowship is in Christ in the power of the Spirit (Ephesians 1:22; 2:19-22; Hebrews 12:23).

A divinely called and scripturally ordained ministry has been provided by our Lord for the three-fold purpose of leading the church in: (1) Evangelization of the world, (2) Worship of God, and (3) Building a body of saints being perfected in the image of His Son (I Chronicles 16:29; Matthew 28:19-20; Mark 16:15-20; Luke 14:23; John 4:23-24; Ephesians 4:11-16; Colossians 1:28).

The Holy Spirit

The Scriptures ascribe to the Holy Spirit the acts and attributes of an intelligent being. He guides, knows, moves, gives information, commands, forbids, sends forth, reproves, as the instrumental segment of the God Head in the liberal dispersion of spiritual gifts, and can be sinned against (John 16:13; I Corinthians 2:11; Genesis 1:2; Acts 10:19; 13:2; 16:6; 13:4; John 16:8; Mark 3:29; Acts 7:51; Ephesians 4:30; I Corinthians 12).

The works of God are ascribed to the Holy Spirit; creation; inspiration, giving of life, and sanctification (Job 33:4; II Peter 1:21; I Peter 3:18; I Corinthians 6:11).



Tithing, Offerings, and Alms

Both the Old and New Testament Scriptures teach tithing as God's financial plan for the support of His work. These are to be practiced continually by all believers and are outward expressions of the unity of the church, the Body of Christ, as it joins together in support of the work of the Lord (Malachi 3:8-10; I Corinthians 16:2; Genesis 28:22; Matthew 23:23; Deuteronomy 26; 14:28-29; 15:7-11; Numbers 18:8-11; Ezekiel 44; Proverbs 14:21; 29:7; Luke 11:41; 12:33).

Total Prosperity of God

We believe that the gospel of the kingdom is God's absolute answer to man's total need and total prosperity NOW:

1. **Spiritually:** John 3:3,11; II Corinthians 5:17-21; Romans 10:9-10
2. **Mentally:** II Timothy 1:7; Romans 12:2; Isaiah 26:3
3. **Physically:** Isaiah 53:4-5; Matthew 8:17; I Peter 2:24
4. **Financially:** 3 John 2; Malachi 3:10-11; Luke 6:38; II Corinthians 9:6-10; Deuteronomy 28:1-14
5. **Socially:** Proverbs 3:4; I Samuel 2:26; Romans 14:18; II Corinthians 8:21

Volition

God gave mankind volition, the right and ability to make choices, good and bad (Genesis 2:16-17; Isaiah 1:16-20; Luke 6:27; John 17:17; Acts 17:27, 30).



Tithing

The Christian steward is a joyous giver. Just as God is a giving Being and Christ is a self-giving Savior, so His followers give to express their new nature and life in Christ and to provide the means for fulfilling Christian purposes. The give of both self and possessions.

Believer's tithing and offering is based on the heart in a committed relationship with Christ. True tithes and offering is based on Abraham (Genesis 14:20) and Jacob (Genesis 28:18 – 22)

Tithing is part of the covenant responsibility we have as being in the Kingdom of God.

There is no law that requires us to tithe. As Abraham (Genesis 14:20) and Jacob (Genesis 28:18 – 22) tithed from their heart because of God's blessings, protection and purpose. In the Old Testament, this a structured pattern of behavior in relationships and honoring. This was a voluntary act

We have covenant responsibilities of tithing because of our relationship with Christ, just as we do in a marriage, taking care of our children, partners (husband and wife), giving to our parents, etc. It is a partnership. We partner with God in His agenda in saving mankind from sin and support His agenda by tithing and offering. Tithing supports God's house, His full time workers, and supplies that is needed to carry out His will in the earth. Without this commitment of funding God's work in the earth, God's agenda will be hindered, but never stopped. This is explained in the Old Testament application and show in the New Testament.



Old Testament

Genesis 13:18 – 20, Numbers 18: 20 – 32, Deuteronomy 14: 22 – 29

“And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the tree, is the Lord’s. It is holy to the Lord” (Lev.27:30).	Seed and fruit.
“And concerning the tithe of the herd or the flock, of whatever passes under the rod, the tenth one shall be holy to the Lord” (Lev. 27:32).	Herd and flock.
“You may not eat within your gates the tithe of your grain or your new wine or your oil...” (Deut. 12:17).	Grain, new wine, and oil.
“...The tithe of your grain and your new wine and your oil...” (Deut. 14:23).	Grain, new wine, and oil.

New Testament

I Timothy 5:18, I Corinthians, 16:2, Hebrews 7: 3 – 10

For ^t the scripture saith, ^u Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn. And, ^l The labourer <i>is</i> worthy of his reward. I Timothy 5:18	The laborer deserves his wages.”
Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come. 1 Corinthians 16:2	Tithed based on how God has prospered you
“And verily they that are of the sons of Levi, who receive the office of the priesthood, have a commandment to take tithes of the people according to the law, that is, of their brethren, though they come out of the loins of Abraham.” Hebrews 7: 3 - 10	Tithed giving was based on Abraham giving of tenth based on his heart.



How much should one give? Based on Abraham heart, a tenth should be a covenant responsibility.

The Old Testament tithe law required tenth percent of animal and agricultural produce. The giving of alms, first fruits, sacrifices, and vow and freewill offerings was also prominent in the Old Testament.

Offerings

Offerings are sacrifice giving as a part of worship. This giving is purpose from the heart, There is no amount attached to it unlike the covenant tithing. Everyone determines in there heart what to give. All offering are not money, so offering is giving someone something they need or desire.

There several type of offerings.

- **Daily offerings** – Giving to a need or helping someone or ministry on a daily bases
- **Offering of Obedience** – Giving is determined by the Holy Spirit and in your obedience you give
- **Widow's Offerings** – Giving to widows that are in need.
- **Mission Offerings** – Giving to missions that are preaching the gospel in foreign lands and locally, and outreach functions.
- **Sacrificial Offerings** – Giving to mission or ministry as God direct you. This offering as directed by God replaces something you need to do for yourself

Other Givings

Alms

Alms giving is the act of donating money or goods to the poor or performing other acts of charity. The root of the word “alms” can be found in ancient Latin and Greek words meaning mercy and pity. (Luke 3:11 ; 6:30 ; Matthew 6:1 ; Acts 9:36 ; Acts 10:2 Acts 10:4



Sowing a Seed

To sow a seed simply means to plant it. The word of God uses this as a metaphor to describe the concept of working to achieve something positive.

The concept of sowing into something that will grow until you are able to harvest it. The seed grow and form until it bear fruit.

Example 1: If God has called you into a Healing ministry and see someone that you desire a healing ministry similar. You must sow into that ministry and see that ministry and observe that ministry. Overtime, due to the sowing and applying yourself to the ministry, you will begin to operate similarly in that ministry

Example 2: If you desire a home of your desire that is connected to the Kingdom purpose. You begin to sow into others that need or desire a home. The seed that you sow will begin to manifest with opportunities and connections that would get you that home.



Church Organizational Structure

The structure of the church is based on the relationship of the pastor with the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit communicates and provide guidance to the church through the pastor.

The foundational organization chart noted on the next pate is intended to display this relationship. You will notice that the matters of the church are broken down to two categories; spiritual matters and temporal matters.

Spiritual Matters includes the teaching and preaching of God's word through sermons, bible study, workshops, and evangelism.. It also includes how members of the church should conduct themselves in fellowship and the resolutions of issues based on biblical concepts. Spiritual Matters are handle through the pastor and the following organizations:



FIVE FOLD MINISTRY STRUCTURE



AND HE GAVE SOME, APOSTLES; AND SOME, PROPHETS; AND SOME, EVANGELISTS; AND SOME, PASTORS AND TEACHERS; FOR THE PERFECTING OF THE SAINTS, FOR THE WORK OF THE MINISTRY, FOR THE EDIFYING OF THE BODY OF CHRIST: TILL WE ALL COME IN THE UNITY OF THE FAITH, AND OF THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE SON OF GOD, UNTO A PERFECT MAN, UNTO THE MEASURE OF THE STATURE OF THE FULNESS OF CHRIST: EPH 4:11 - 13

Five Fold Ministry Structure

The concept of the five-fold ministry comes from Ephesians 4:11, "It was he who gave some to be (1) apostles, some to be (2) prophets, some to be (3) evangelists, and some to be (4) pastors and (5) teachers." Ephesians 4:12-13 tells us that the purpose of the five-fold ministry is, "to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ."

This structure is based on Jesus Christ as the Chief Cornerstone. This identifies the purpose these gifts to the body exist.

Consuming Fire Christian Center Organization

The foundation for the orderly functioning of the church is found in 1 Corinthians 14:40, *"Let all things be done decently and in order."* These words conclude a lengthy exhortation from the Apostle Paul to a congregation with more disorder than order. Paul recognized that the church can only function well when managed in an orderly fashion. This realization prompted him to ordain elders whenever new churches were established. The church of the Lord Jesus Christ must function in an orderly fashion, for God is a God of order. Paul emphasizes this when he writes in the same chapter, *"For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints"* ([1 Corinthians 14:33](#)).



Church Administration

The administrative staff has the responsibility of the day-to-day operation of the church.

This includes but is not limited to:

- Answering and routing all incoming phone calls
- Setting up appointments with the pastoral staff
- Reservation of meeting rooms
- Preparation of all printed material for the church
- Coordinating Ministries of the Church Scheduling
- Reserving the church for weddings
- Coordinating funeral arrangements
- Running standard reports for the church staff and ministries

Normal Office Hours

10 am to 4 pm: Weekly - Tuesday – Friday (Holidays the office will be Closed)

Pastoral Counseling by Appointments only

10 am to 4 pm: Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday

Professional Counseling Services

11 am to 5 pm: Tuesday through Friday



Ministry Contact Information

Telephone:	(734) 266-2293
Fax:	(734) 266-2297
Prayer Line:	(734) 879-0632
General Email:	fire@consumingfirecc.org
Pastor Email:	pastor@consumingfirecc.org
Co-Pastor Email:	ladybfire@consumingfirecc.org
Professional Counseling Email:	counseling@consumingfirecc.org
Website:	http://www.consumingfirecc.org
Deacon Board	deacon@consumingfirecc.org
Eldership Board	elder@consumingfirecc.org
Administrators	admin@consumingfirecc.org

Service times

Sunday	Morning RHEMA	9:45 am
Sunday	Upper Room Prayer	10:30 am
Sunday	Morning Worship	11 am
Tuesday	Intercessory Prayer	6:45 – 7:45 pm
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adult RHEMA Bible Study• Youth RHEMA Bible Study	6:45 – 8 pm
Friday (Every other Week)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Marriage and Family• The Wait Ministry (Singles)	7 – 9 pm



Church Policies And Procedures

Accepting Member

- Accepting Jesus Christ as your Personal Savior – Confession of Faith
- Letter – From another church
- Experience – From another church
- Watch Care - interim church for members in Metro Detroit area (e.g. college students)

Extending Of Fellowship

(Formality granting all rights and privileges of any other member)

Dismissing Member

- Letter – To another church
- Exclusion – To withdraw right hand of fellowship for reasons unrepentance sins that affect the membership - **Matthew 18:15-17**
- Sowing Discord among the membership **Proverbs 6:19**
- Death

Church Hurt

Church hurt always appear to be a major issue of church today. If you are experiencing church hurt, there needs to be dialogue to bring it out in the open. Many times, church hurt a difference respective or a lack of knowledge about a circumstance or issue.

Bring the Church hurt to the pastor and any witness that you may have and let us the discuss the issues and try to resolve. **Matthew 18:15-17**



Restoration

To be admitted again to fellowship, an excluded member must acknowledge the justice of his exclusion and give evidence of his repentance by assurance of discontinuance of his offense, and having thus vindicated the church's action may apply for restoration to membership. The church should always be willing and even anxious to forgive and restore an excluded member who has repented (Galatians 6:1).

Duty Of The Church

The church should consider that each member is a soul entrusted to it for protection, development, and preparation for the Kingdom of Heaven. The church, therefore, is in duty bound to furnish the best possible public instruction in the gospel, and the best training for service; to exercise a tender, loving, patient watch care over the member, and to use the utmost diligence and effort for his enlightenment, sanctification, and usefulness, with the view that he attains perfection in Christ Jesus. If it should happen that a member departs from the faith of the church or violates the New Testament standard of conduct that has affected others, it is both the privilege and the duty of the church to place him/ her under discipline and deal with him according to the laws Christ has given in the New Testament

Duty Of The Member

Every member is required to fulfill, to the extent of his ability, all of the covenanted obligations he assumed on becoming a member. The church, thereby, is entitled to the service thus promised, together with every member's good will, sympathy, influence, and finances for the advancement of the cause of Christ within the local body of Baptized believers known as Consuming Fire Christian Center.

Eldership Board

- The board is responsible for working to promote peace, unity, teamwork and cooperation among church groups and members
- The board with the Deacon board is responsible for visiting as well as commune the sick
- The board oversee the needs of the ministries of the church by serving as liaisons to the various ministries



Board Of Deacons

- The board is responsible for working to promote peace, unity, teamwork and cooperation among church groups and members
- The board with the Eldership Board is responsible for visiting as well as commune the sick
- The board oversee the opening and closing of the church facilities
- The board is responsible for maintaining and the management all church's property and the supervision of the Maintenance Supervisor.

Board Of Trustees and Finance Department

- Receives and disburses all church finances.
- Prepares the budget.
- Conduct monthly Reporting on Finances
- Administers all vouchers.
- Supervise all purchases and supplies
- Sets policy on decorum in the church building
- Perform all corporate matters subject to state and federal statutes or other function delegated to it by the conference.
- Responsible for mortgaging and selling all real and/personal property of the church
- Responsible for ensuring that the church adheres to and complies with section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future US Internal Revenue law.

Church Administrator(s)

The church administrator(s) purpose is to administrate the church as directed by the Pastor. The administrator(s) will oversee the following area of the ministry:

- The Ministers
- The Departments
- The Congregation and outreach
- The Maintenance of the Church



Illness

Consuming Fire Christian Center is a caring church, concerned about all of our members including those who are sick. Please notify the church office when you or family members are ill. You will be lifted in prayer and receive visitation.

Please note that the church office can only accept information from relatives of the sick member.

Death

The death of a church member or the death of a member of the immediate family of the church should be quickly brought to the attention of the church office. The Pastor, Deacons and Bereavement ministry will be promptly notified. Pastoral contact will follow.

Please note that the church office can only accept notification from relatives of the deceased.

Meetings

All meetings requiring church accommodations must be cleared through the church office and / or the calendar committee. This will enable us to prepare the area needed for your meeting and have the necessary doors unlocked, etc.

Special Activities/Programs

The church planning council's calendar committee must approve the dates for all activities and programs.

All activities should be planned at the beginning of each Calendar Year and/ or a least two month ahead of time.

Grievances And Concerns

Grievances and other church related concerns should be brought to the Eldership Board. All conference agenda items must also be presented to the Eldership Board.



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Church Handbook

All members are encouraged to obtain a copy of the official Consuming Fire Christian Center Handbook by contacting the office



Church Decorum - Worship Do's And Don'ts

"O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness."

Psalms 96:9

Christian Character

- **DO** greet fellow worshippers in Christian love
- **DO** greet our visitors with Love and kindness
- **DO** sit in an attitude of reverence during scripture reading, prayer and worship

Sanctuary

- **DO** leave church pews, choir stand and church alter neat and orderly
- **DO** respect the authority of the Ushers and their direction
- **DO** turn silence or turn off your mobile devices prior to entering the sanctuary for worship services unless using for referencing the Bible
- **DON'T** distract others from the spirit of worshipping in the sanctuary
- **DON'T** distract others from the spirit of worship by unnecessary walking
- **DON'T** disrespect the sanctuary or allow children to play on the alter, or pulpit areas
- **DON'T** walk upon the pulpit area
- **DON'T** eat or drink in the sanctuary
- **DON'T Sell any items in the Sanctuary (special quests can only sell their products after service in designated place)**
- **DON'T** forget that Jesus said, *"My house shall be called of all nations, a house of prayer"* Mark 11:17

Bathrooms

Please clean up after using the bathroom, toilet tissue, paper the waste receptacles.

Please notify one of the Deacon if supplies are running out of the bathroom

If any accident happens, please let a deacon or deaconess know as soon as possible



Dinner room

No one is allowed in kitchen unless they have permission from the overseer of the kitchen. Eating utensils, coffee, tea and etc. will be available in the designated area of the dining room.

We are asking everyone to clean up after yourself and family, if you bring or have your meal in the dinner area.

Pastoral Services to the congregation

Pastoral will provide the following services for all members of the congregation for no charge. Our pastor believes that members of CFCC are entitled to these services as part of their giving in tithes and offering.

- Counseling (pre-marriage counselor or grief counseling) – These services may be referred to a counseling professional for additional counseling. All counseling is done by appointment only.
- Marriages and Vow renewals
- Funerals and Memorial Services
- Baby Dedication
- Hospital visitation
- Home dedications

Non-members may incur a fee.

Selling Items in the Church

While services are being conducted, there should not be setup or selling items in any part of the church building. Setup can be done before or after services in the basement area.

Selling items can be done after services up until the church is closing up. All sales must be approved by the Deacon board and designee.

- Non-member
- Selling Form submitting
- Marketing



CFCC Dress Conduct

CFCC does not have a dress code. We believe that every believer should be led by the Holy Spirit in their dress. However, **due to our ongoing streaming services and ministries online** and assisting in the mature of new believers, we have to address dress. Our presentation through outline platforms should be appropriate and represent Christ and His Kingdom. The bible states that we should dress modest (I Timothy 2:9). This applies to both men and woman

Ministers of CFCC

Ministers should dress conservatively and modestly. Clothing that is too casual or flamboyant can distract the congregation from where their focus. Clothing for both men and women should fit comfortably and not be form-fitting or tight. For weekday liturgies, a more casual dress code is acceptable but should still stick to the general guidelines of modest.

When ministering the Word of God in the House of God, ensure that for both men and women not your apparel is not tight or form fitting. Low cut blouses, and spaghetti straps is not appropriate for ministering to God's people in the House of God.

We ask that everyone that is ministering in capacity in ministry look professionally and modestly dress.

Guidelines at the Altar

The altar can become an unpredictable and sometime a dangerous place. There are times that people vomit, spit, passing gas, hit or fight you, pull at you or hold you. For this reason, you dress should be always appropriate to work the altar. Earrings should be studs, appropriate pants (Not tight), longer skirts and longer tops/ blouses should be worn. This is just in case, you must get on the floor and minister to people on your knees, etc. be mindful of the size of jewelry.



Guideline for Worship and Music Teams

The Worship is viewed on several streaming platforms along with the congregation attending. It is important their focus is on Christ and their worship to Him.

1. No Cracks, Top or Bottom

Avoid wearing clothing that reveals cleavage, lines, low-cut blouses and form fitting clothing. Muscles shirts, pants, low cut dresses that reveal underwear. This applies to both men and women.

2. Knee-Length or Longer

Skirts, shorts, and dresses should be knee-length or longer. This help to avoid underclothes being reveal if the Presence become strength and we are overtaking with the power of God.

3. Be Relevant

Don't dress like you are in the 70, 80, or 90. Dress appropriate for your age while staying relevant, it will help the older generation connect with the younger generation. Just stay modest in your dress to ministry to God's people.

4. Stay Flexible

Musicians and singer are their own special breed, dress on who God create you to be but be mindful of what you wear and how it affects people you are leading into the present of God.

Coffee and Tea Station

CFCC will provide coffee and tea to be served to the membership and any visitors at the Coffee and tea station. All the related condiments, cream, sugar, honey and etc. will be provided. Freshly brewed coffee with be service on Sunday immediately after service.

Please clean-up after getting your coffee or tea and place all used items in the garage and wipe the area used.



Use of the Kitchen

- Use and access to the Kitchen must approved by Deacon or designed person that is head of the Kitchen (No keys to access the kitchen will be given out unless approved by the Deacon Board and Designed person).
- Each group using the kitchen facilities is to be responsible for thoroughly cleaning and returning all equipment to its proper place.
- If outside caterer is involved for a church sponsored event, the sponsoring group should contact the kitchen committee prior to event for instruction on use of appliances.
- The coffee pot must be emptied and thoroughly washed after each use.
- All food and drink left over should be disposed of. Please do not leave any of it in the refrigerator unless special arrangements have been made for its use later. Please label all food items with date and name.
- No food or drink may be served in the sanctuary.
- All sinks need to be thoroughly cleaned & no food particles left in the sink drain stopper. (Please clean sinks with bleach or cleaner that is sanitary)
- Floors need to be swept, and if necessary mopped due to spills.
- If using dishes, they must be washed in the dish machine or hand washed, allowed to dry and stored in their proper places.
- Regular metal flatware should be washed, allowed to dry and stored in the proper silverware containers in the pantry.
- Place all used/wet dish towels in the bin by the hand washing sink for laundry service pickup. DO NOT leave any towels on counters, draped over sinks, or elsewhere in the kitchen areas.
- Microwaves may be moved off counters to a cart if additional space is needed for food preparation.
- If the kitchen is found messy, please report it to the office.
- Clean any spills in the refrigerator.
- Take garbage to the dumpster and put a new plastic bag in the garbage can

Use and Rental of Church Facilities

Members of Consuming Fire Christian Center and their families living in the same household can request use of Dining room facilities for Weddings, repasts, birthday parties, celebration events for no charge. However, if gas and electric appliances are used, the cost for usage of the utilities service will be charges. The usage will be based on the current utilities (gas, electrical and water) rates. CFCC believe that tithed giving members have a right to use the facilities at no cost. However, there is fee of cleanup, use of certain requested equipment and its operations, and security. All requests should be submitted asap, so that it can be scheduled and avoid scheduling conflict.



Please attached CFCC Facility Reservation Request and Agreement form from the Office.

The designee and Deacon board will approve all requests for use of the facility. Priority is designated to official church functions and needs.

Policies and Instructions:

1. Alcohol, Cursing & Smoking Policy: No alcohol may be served in church facilities. No cursing and smoking are allowed within the church buildings.
2. Groups are restricted to only those areas of the facility that the group has reserved.
3. Food and beverages should remain within the fellowship hall or approved areas.
4. Church equipment, such as tables and chairs, must be returned to original placement, unless arranged otherwise prior to the event.
5. Round tables, tablecloths, and curtains will not be loaned out or leave the church campus. If tablecloths are used, they must be cleaned (laundered) and returned to the church within one week.
6. All lights must be turned off, gas to stoves, etc. must be turn off and doors locked upon departure.
7. Clean-up is the responsibility of the group. If the facilities are not cleaned up adequately a \$150 (*subject to change*) cleaning fee may be assessed. Normal fee for cleanup is \$150 (*subject to change*) per event (*This is fee paid to person that has to clean-up after event*)
8. Abusive or foul language, violent behavior, and drug or alcohol abuse are strictly prohibited while using church facilities. Any person exhibiting such behavior will be required to leave the premise.
9. Any person or group must sign the "CFCC Facility Reservation Request and Agreement form" form prior to reservation of church facilities.
10. There is a standard \$250 deposit fee for rental of the facility. For members the deposit will be returned after the event. The non-members the deposit will be returned after the all applicable fee are paid.
11. Use of the facility for ministries not related to CFCC and non-members will be assess based on usage as follows:
 - a. Any use of the sanctuary for ministry events not related to CFCC, the cost will compensate the individuals involved in setup and break down (If need) as well as the hiring of a media team representative to be present at the event rehearsal and service. *Audio and visual equipment may not be used or moved by anyone outside of the church's media team. Depending on the event and what is required a deposit may be required.*
 - b. For non-members, the event will be assessed based on the required needs and total cost provided, which may include a deposit.



12. Mandatory “facilities walk and talk” must be scheduled two weeks prior to the event. The church members and event planners must be present to talk through the staff their responsibilities and to communicate clearly their requested plans (i.e. wedding setup details, etc.)

ADDITIONS COMING SOON