

Membership Application

First Name *

Last Name *

Email *



Phone Number *

 (____) ____-____

Birthdate *

Month

Date

Year

Gender *

Allergies *



Occupation *

Marital Status *

Children's names and ages (if applicable)



May we include your information in the membership announcement in the worship guide?* *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Core Beliefs

Our identity as a church body is founded upon what we believe about God, humanity, and salvation. Being a member of Grace Bible Church carries with it the expectation that you will join us in confessing the core beliefs of the Christian faith. The following statements summarize these core beliefs, and affirming them is required for membership.

The Bible is inspired by God and is inerrant; the final authority in faith and life. *

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree

There is one God who exists in three persons – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. *

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree

Jesus Christ is fully God and fully man. *

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree

All of humanity is spiritually lost and without hope apart from God's special intervention. *

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree

The only solution for our spiritually lost state is to be reconciled to God through Jesus Christ, whose death and bodily resurrection make a relationship with God possible. This new relationship with God is a free gift, by grace, and it is offered to all who put their faith in Jesus Christ. It cannot be achieved by good works nor is it given according to race, status, or ability—salvation is by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone. *

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree

The Return of Christ* Jesus Christ will physically return and judge both the living and the dead *

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree

Expanded Beliefs

At Grace Bible Church, agreement with our Core Beliefs is required for membership, as they represent the essential truths that unite all Christians.

We've also included our Full Doctrinal Statement to provide clarity on the broader theological positions held by our elders and teaching leadership. While you don't need to agree with every point to become a member, reviewing it helps identify any areas of difference and promotes transparency as we grow together in unity and truth.

*Please check the following boxes to indicate your agreement with the following doctrines.

The Trinity

We believe in one Triune God eternally existing in three Persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, eternal in being, identical in nature, equal in power, glory, and majesty, and yet distinct in persons, possessing the same attributes and perfections, and worthy of the same worship and obedience. (Deuteronomy 6:4; John 17:3; Second Corinthians 13:14). *

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Unsure

God the Father

We believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things, visible and invisible. We believe that the Father is the sovereign Ruler and Judge over all things Who also loves and cares for all aspects of His creation. We believe that He is the Reconciler of all who come to Him through faith in His Son, Jesus Christ. We believe that He is infinitely holy and yet abounding in grace, all-powerful and yet compassionate, perfectly just and yet patiently merciful. (Genesis 1:1; Exodus 34:6-7; Matthew 5:45; 6:25-33; John 1:12, 18; Romans 8:14-17; First Corinthians 15:24-28; Galatians 4:5; Hebrews 12:5-9). *

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Unsure

God the Son

We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God, became fully man without ceasing to be fully God, having been conceived of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary, in order that He might reveal God and redeem sinful man. We believe that He accomplished our redemption through His death on the cross as a substitutionary and atoning sacrifice. We believe that our redemption and salvation are guaranteed to us by His literal physical resurrection from the dead. We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ is now in heaven exalted to the right hand of the Father where He fulfills the ministry of intercession and advocacy as His people's High Priest. (John 1:1, 14, 18; Luke 1:35; Romans 3:24-26; 4:25; Hebrews 1:3; 12:2; 3:1; 7:23-25; 9:24; First John 2:1, 2). *

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Unsure

God the Holy Spirit

We believe the Holy Spirit is an eternal Person and fully God Who convicts the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment. He also in the present age regenerates believers in Christ, baptizes them into the church, the body of Christ, indwells them permanently, seals them unto the day of redemption, bestows spiritual gifts upon each one, and fills those yielded to Him. We believe that certain spiritual gifts, commonly called "sign gifts," are not normative for the Church today. (John 3:8; 14:16; 15:26, 27; 16:7-15; First Corinthians 12:4-13; 13:8; Ephesians 4:30; 5:18). *

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Unsure

The Scriptures

We believe that God has spoken through the Scriptures, and that the Bible in the original manuscripts is the inspired, infallible, and inerrant Word of God. Of these sixty-six books, we have reliable copies that are our final and sufficient authority for faith and life. The Bible is to be believed in all that it teaches, obeyed in all that it requires, and trusted in all that it promises. (Matthew 5:18; 2 Timothy 3:16-17; Second Peter 1:20, 21). *

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Unsure

The Spiritual Realm

We believe that God created sinless, spiritual beings commonly known as angels. A great company of these angels serve God at His throne and minister to mankind, especially believers. We believe that one of these angels, Satan, sinned through pride and led a host of other angels in rebellion against God. Satan subsequently tempted Adam and Eve to sin leading to their fall. Satan remains today, the enemy of God and of God's people, actively opposing our efforts at godly worship and service. Although Satan was judged at the cross, he temporarily reigns as the ruler of this world— as God allows. Ultimately, Satan will be eternally defeated and eternally condemned. (Psalm 148:2-5; Isaiah 14:12-17; Ezekiel 28:11-19; Ephesians 6:10-12; Second Corinthians 4:4; Hebrews 1:14; First Peter 5:8-9; Revelation 4:5-11; 20:1-3, 10). *

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Unsure

The Purpose and Dignity of Mankind

We believe all people are created in the image of God in order to glorify Him, enjoy His fellowship, represent Him, live in relationship with one another, and rule over the earth. We believe that all people, although marred by sin, are to be treated with love and dignity. We believe that Jesus is the perfect image of God, and we should therefore reflect His image in how we live. We believe that at the resurrection, we will be made like Him in glory. (Genesis 1:26-27; Psalm 8:4-6; Romans 10:12; First Corinthians 12:13; Galatians 3:28; Colossians 1:15; 3:11). *

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Unsure

The Sinfulness of Mankind

We believe that in Adam's sin all of humanity fell into sin, inherited a sinful nature, and became alienated from God. We believe that all people are separated from God because of sin and are therefore deserving of eternal, conscious punishment from God. We believe that God's intervention through Jesus Christ is our only hope for salvation. (Genesis 3:1-24; Romans 3:23; 5:12; Ephesians 2:12). *

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Unsure

The Salvation Offered to Mankind

We believe that salvation is a gift of God in grace and is received by human beings through personal faith in the Lord Jesus Christ whose precious blood was shed for the forgiveness of our sins. We believe that all true believers, once saved, are kept secure in Christ forever. (John 1:12; 10:27-30; Ephesians 1:7; 2:8-9; Romans 8:1, 29, 30, 38-39). *

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Unsure

The Church and Its Ordinances

We believe that the Church, the body and bride of Christ, is made up of all persons in this present age who have become believers by being justified by God's grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone. We believe that God made believers to belong to and be a part of a local church in order to be instructed in the faith, encouraged toward Christlikeness and to please Him through worship. We believe that the local church is to be led by qualified elders and served by qualified deacons. We believe that the Lord Jesus, who is the Head of the Church, instituted the ordinances of baptism and the Lord's Supper which spiritually nourish the believer and are to be observed until His return. (Matthew 28:19, 20; Ephesians 1:22, 23; 5:25-27; First Corinthians 11:23-26; 12:12, 13). *

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Unsure

The Responsibility of the Christian Life

We believe that God commands Christians to love Him supremely and to love others sacrificially. We believe that we are citizens of heaven living in the world but no longer of the world and are new creations in Christ who are called to live markedly distinct and holy lives. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, in obedience to the Word of God, along with the practice of spiritual disciplines, and participation in the fellowship of the Church, the believer is enabled by God to live in conformity to the will of the Father, to become more like our Lord Jesus Christ, and to manifest the fruit of the Spirit. We believe that Christians are ambassadors of Christ, God's image-bearers in a fallen world, and are called to walk in the good works God has prepared for us. It is our responsibility to proclaim the gospel, to make disciples among the nations, and to glorify God in all that we do. (Acts 1:8; Romans 12:1-2; First Corinthians 3:10-17, 10:31; Second Corinthians 5:20; 7:1; Galatians 5:16; Ephesians 2:10; 5:15-21; Philippians 4:8-9; Second Thessalonians 1:11-12; Titus 2:11-14; Hebrews 12:1-2, 14; James 1:27; First Peter 4:11; First

John 3:1-10). *

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Unsure

Marriage and the Christian Home

We believe that marriage was designed by God to be an exclusive lifelong covenantal relationship between one man and one woman. We believe that the ultimate expression of God's design for marriage is between a Christian man and a Christian woman in that their marriage reflects Christ's relationship to the Church. We believe that God has allowed some to serve Him in singleness rather than marriage using them to accomplish His purposes by this ministry. We believe that children are a gift of the Lord and have human life and value from the moment of conception. We believe that parents are responsible to instruct and nurture their children in all matters of life and faith. We believe that children are to honor their parents during their lifetimes. (Genesis 1:26–27; 2:15, 23-24; Matthew 19:4-6; 12:46–50; First Corinthians 7:25–35; Ephesians 5:21-32). *

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Unsure

If you're unsure or disagree, please give more details below.

Spiritual Background

Have you personally placed your trust in Jesus Christ for salvation? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

If yes, please share your testimony of salvation. *Please include the gospel-centered plan of salvation in your answer. *

Upon what Scripture do you base your salvation? *

Are you currently a member of another church? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Have you been baptized since you became a Christian? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Do you have any specific prayer requests or concerns you want to share?

Is there any additional information you want to provide?

Membership Covenant

Submission to the Elders

I acknowledge the authority of the Elders (Hebrews 13:17) and will respect their decisions in accordance with the Constitution of Grace Bible Church. I recognize that this applies to the currently active elders who serve as the spiritual leaders of this body. *

- ☐ Yes

☐ No

Attendance

Will you endeavor to be faithful in attending worship services and other ministries of the church which you will help grow spiritually? *

☐ Yes

☐ No

Attendance

Will you find a ministry to serve the church to the best of your ability?

☐ ABC Classes

☐ Grace Student Ministry

☐ Grace Kids

☐ Young Adults

☐ Women of Grace

☐ Men of Grace

☐ Care Ministry

☐ Local Engagement

☐ Global Engagement

☐ Worship Ministry

Areas of current involvement at Grace

Signature * _____