

One Hope Church Partnership Covenant



Leaders' Covenant Promise

With the help of the Holy Spirit, the Elders and Pastors of One Hope Church commit:

TO BE QUALIFIED

We will meet the criteria assigned to us in the Scriptures, and will live exemplary lives while joining with you to fulfill the duties of a church Partner.

(1 Tim. 3:1-13, 4:12, 5:17-22; Titus 1:5-9; 1 Peter 5:1-4; 1 Cor. 11; Philip. 3:17)

TO KNOW YOU

We will lovingly listen to you, care for you and seek your growth in Christ.

(Heb. 13:17; 1 Thess. 5:12)

TO TEACH

We will provide biblical teaching and counsel from the whole span of the Scriptures.

(Gal. 6:6; 1 Tim. 5:17-18; Acts 20:27-28)

TO EQUIP

We will do all we can to equip you and the other Partners of the church for the work of ministry.

(Ephesians 4:11-16)

TO PRAY

We will pray for you regularly and help you in times of need as your needs are made known.

(Acts 2:42-47, 4:32-35; James 2:14-17, 5:14)

TO PROTECT

We will protect the church by exercising church discipline when necessary and strive to maintain doctrinal purity in the church.

(Matt. 18:15-20; 1 Cor. 5; Gal.6:1)

TO LEAD

We will lead the church by seeking God's will for our church family to the best of our ability through the study of the Scriptures and following of the Holy Spirit.

(Acts 20:28; 1 Peter 5:1-5)

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Partner's Covenant Promise

Having confessed to being a baptized Christian (or intending to be baptized as soon as possible), being in full alignment with the purpose, mission, vision, values, and biblical convictions of One Hope Church (as outlined in the Bylaws), with the guiding help of the Holy Spirit, I commit:

TO SUBMIT TO THE SCRIPTURES

- I will acknowledge and uphold the Scriptures as the ultimate authority on all issues.

TO BELONG TO THE FAMILY

- I will gather with my church family and will make it a top priority in my schedule.
- I will love, serve and encourage my church family.
- I will strive to share my needs, struggles, and concerns with my church brothers and sisters.
- I will have relationships with brothers and sisters in Christ from other churches, but I will not hold Partnership / Membership, consistently serve, regularly attend, or function in a leadership position within another local church family.
- I will preserve unity in the church and follow biblical procedures of peacemaking when conflict arises.
- I will pray for our church's leaders, submit to the authority of the church leaders as outlined in the scriptures, and submit myself to church discipline if the need should ever arise.
- I will take seriously the responsibility of Christian freedom, especially actions or situations that could present a stumbling block for anyone else.
- I will strive to stay informed and connected and attend scheduled Partner Meetings / Events.

TO GROW AS A DISCIPLE

- I will regularly read my Bible.
- I will regularly pray and seek God's will for my life.
- I will live intentionally in community with others and seek to be known.
- I will pursue personal holiness and purity as an act of obedience and worship of Jesus.

TO JOIN THE MISSION

- I will discover, develop and contribute my gifts and skills for the good of the church.
- I will give my time, abilities, finances, and other resources to support the mission.
- I will make the mission part of my personal life, work, and relationships.

LEADER NAME (PRINT)

LEADER SIGNATURE

DATE

PARTNER NAME (PRINT)

PARTNER SIGNATURE

DATE