

PETITION FOR MEMBERSHIP

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF WEYMOUTH • 781-335-6232 • 40 WEST STREET, SOUTH WEYMOUTH, MA. 02190

GENERAL INFORMATION

Today's Date ____/____/____

Single Married Divorced Widow

Name _____ Birth Date ____/____/____
First Middle Last

Address _____

City, State, ZIP _____

Home Phone (____) _____ Work Phone (____) _____

Cell Phone (____) _____ Email _____

Occupation/Employment _____

Business address: _____

Church and address to which you last belonged: _____

What is the denomination of this church? _____

Who is this church's present pastor? _____

When did you last regularly attend this church? _____

How long were you a member of this church? _____

Where you in good standing with the church? Explain _____

Telephone number of the church or its pastor (____) _____

<input type="checkbox"/> Intervw _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Class _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Elders _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Added _____
<u>Office Use Only</u>

SPIRITUAL BACKGROUND

Please write out a brief description of your conversion to Christ (if you are unsure, please talk with one of the pastor's or elders.) _____

What evidence do you see which would give you assurance that you are truly a child of God? _____

Have you been Scripturally immersed following your conversion? Yes No

If so, what was the approximate date of your Baptism? _____

What is the name of the church in which you were baptized? _____

What is the name of the pastor who performed the baptism? _____

If you have not been Scripturally immersed following your conversion, do you now wish to be baptized in obedience to Christ's instructions? Yes No

How would you describe your present spiritual condition? Please be specific. _____

What, if any, is your pattern for personal intake of the Word of God and prayer? _____

Do you have regular family worship in your home? Yes No Is yes, what do you do?_____

Are there habits or issues related to your walk with God that you would like to talk about privately?_____

If known, what are your spiritual gifts?_____

In What area(s) of ministry at First Baptist Church would you like to serve?_____

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Membership Covenant

God, by His grace alone, has led me to repent of my sin and believe on Jesus Christ, trusting Him alone as my Lord and Savior. As one who has been baptized as a believer in Christ, I desire to unite with this church family. Therefore, I enter into a covenantal relationship with the members of this church. In humble reliance on the Holy Spirit, I endeavor to do the following:

- To faithfully attend and participate in the regular worship services of the church.¹
- To diligently guard the truth, upholding the standard of sound words recorded in Scripture.²
- To wholeheartedly support, love, and care for the church's members and ministries, offering my prayers,³ my financial gifts,⁴ and my humble service.⁵
- To boldly witness for the Lord Jesus Christ, living a transformed life and sharing the gospel as God gives opportunity.⁶
- To actively pursue personal holiness before God in accordance with His Word and in the power of the Holy Spirit.⁷
- To diligently promote and guard the unity of the church, loving others as Christ has loved us, and being a peacemaker with all in the body of Christ.⁸
- To respectfully follow the leaders of this church, esteeming them in love and submitting to and supporting their leadership.⁹
- To humbly submit to the church's discipline, graciously repenting when approached about personal sin, and lovingly restoring others who become entangled in sin.¹⁰

Signature

Date

¹ Acts 2:42; Hebrews 10:24-25

² 1 Tim. 3:15; 6:3-4, 20; 2 Tim. 1:13-14; 2:14-15, 24-26; 4:3-5; Jude 3

³ Eph. 1:15-20; 3:14-21; Phil. 1:3-6, 9-11; Col. 1:3-12, 4:2-4; 1 Thess. 1:2-4; 5:17

⁴ 1 Cor. 16:2; 2 Cor. 8:1-7; 9:6-7; 1 Tim. 5:17-18; 6:17-19

⁵ Rom. 12:1-8; 1 Cor. 12-13; Eph. 4:11-16; 1 Pet. 4:10-11

⁶ Matt. 4:19; 5:16; 28:18-20; Acts 1:8; 5:42; 1 Pet. 3:15

⁷ Rom. 12:9; 2 Cor. 7:1; Gal. 2:20; 5:16-26; Eph. 5:1-21; 1 Thess. 4:1-8; 1 Peter 1:15-16

⁸ Matt. 5:9; John 13:34-35; Rom. 12:18-21; 14:19; Eph. 4:1-6, 29-32; Phil. 2:1-5, 14

⁹ 1 Thess. 5:12-13; 1 Tim. 5:17-21; Heb. 13:7, 17

¹⁰ Matt. 18:15-20; 1 Cor. 5:6-13; Gal. 6:1-6; 1 Thess. 5:14-15; 2 Thess. 3:5-6

DOCTRINAL STATEMENT
First Baptist Church of Weymouth
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1. We believe that the Bible is God's Word, that it was written by men divinely and uniquely inspired, that it is absolutely trustworthy and has supreme authority in all matters of faith and conduct.
2. We believe in the unity of the Godhead, externally existing in Three Persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
3. We believe in God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth, perfect in holiness, infinite in wisdom, measureless in power. We rejoice that He concerns Himself in the affairs of men, that He hears and answers prayer and that He saves from sin and death all who come to Him through Jesus Christ.
4. We Believe in Jesus Christ, God's only-begotten Son, conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, sinless in His life, making atonement for the sin of the world by His death on the Cross. We believe in His bodily resurrection, His ascension into heaven, His high priestly intercession for His people and His personal, visible return to the world according to His promise.
5. We believe in the Holy Spirit, who came forth from God to convince the world of sin, of righteousness and of judgment, and to regenerate, sanctify and comfort those who believe in Jesus Christ.
6. We believe that all men by nature and by choice are sinners, but that "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." We believe, therefore, that those who accept Christ as their Lord and Savior will rejoice forever in God's presence and those who refuse to accept Christ as Lord and Savior will be forever separated from God and suffer eternal torment in hell.
7. We believe in the church—a living, spiritual body of which Christ is the Head and of which all regenerated people are members. We believe that a visible church is a company of believers in Jesus Christ, buried with Him in baptism and associated for worship, work and fellowship. We believe that to these visible churches were committed, for observance "till He come", the ordinances of baptism and the Lord's Supper; and that God has laid upon these churches the task of persuading a lost world to accept Jesus Christ as Savior and to enthrone Him as Lord and Master. We believe that human betterment and social improvement are essential products of the Gospel.
8. We believe every human being is responsible to God alone in all matters of faith.
9. We believe that each church is independent and autonomous, and must be free from interference by any ecclesiastical or political authority; that therefore, Church and State must be kept separate as having different functions, each fulfilling its duties free from dictation or patronage of the other.