

THE CHURCH COVENANT

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF TOPEKA

The church accepts the New Testament as the basis of doctrine and practice. As a summary of principles for Christian conduct among its members, it adopts the following covenant:

We believe in God the Father, and commit ourselves as baptized believers to his Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Influenced by His Holy Spirit, and instructed by the scriptures, we consecrate ourselves to his service and unite with one another as his in this covenant.

We will consistently seek to grow as Christians, making prayer and God's love the essence of our daily living. Desiring to live together in his love, we will abstain from actions which are harmful or destructive to any person, and we will help one another to think, speak, and act as Christians. We will share each other's joys and try with tenderness and sympathy to bear one another's burdens and sorrows.

We will strive to be responsible church members through faithful attendance, study, and giving of personal and financial resources. Committed to experiencing, living out, and sharing Jesus Christ with the world, we will enter into mission, at home and abroad, with vision and enthusiasm.

As members of First Baptist Church of Topeka, we are joined in fellowship with Christians around the world. We will, therefore, when moving from this area, unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant.