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MEMBERSHIP PACKET



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Giving Light's core values include bravery, covenant, and influence. It is a part of our DNA and culture to love deeply and from the heart. We are in covenant relationship with people around the world and we do not take lightly this bond that transcends geographical location—we celebrate those who stand at arms with us and are deeply committed to our success, as we are theirs.

There is, however, also a local expression of our heartbeat that thrives in a community of believers who worship together under one roof on a regular basis. These are ones who do not only consider themselves family from afar, but are intimately invested on a local level.

The purpose of our membership is to express your heart to be an active partner with the people and the vision of the local expression of Giving Light. It is a public declaration of our unified goals—to equip people to discover identity and activate purpose for Kingdom impact. It is a commitment to one another on the ground level and to our values and vision as a whole.

In October 2014, Prophetess Tinell Dickens prophesied over this church body, "Be as one. Be as one. Be as one." We believe that in this opportunity to either renew your commitment to this body or to do so for the first time that it is a public profession that will not only release a greater ability to flow as one in vision, but also release the blessing and life that is commanded by God where there is unity (Ps. 133). This is not a religious practice, but rather a testimony and a banner of commitment and celebration of being partnered together for such a time as this.

What we can do alone is not near as great as what we can do together—many members a part of one body. We welcome you, either as someone who already functions as a member, but would like to officially express it, or as someone acting as a member for the first time, to join with us in relationship, in service, and in heart.

We are excited for what God has in store for us, individually and together, as we walk in even greater unity and partnership for Kingdom influence. We believe that the best is yet to come as we stand united in the greatest days in history.

If God is so leading you, we welcome you to partner with us in this way. In a day and age where commitments are fleeting and sacrifice conditional, we want to represent a Kingdom model—those who love deeply, serve humbly, and rule justly with one voice under one King. We believe that in this unified and supportive culture, the vision will not only continue to grow, but to thrive like never before.



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As a member of Giving Light you are entering an opportunity to be integrated into a community of believers where we honor, challenge, validate, defend, and care for one another through deep relationships of the heart. We value the Church as one body with many members, recognizing that we all have a unique part to play. Just as we celebrate the calling and vision of others, we also embrace the distinct purpose that we have as a culture that is called to equip all ages to discover identity and activate purpose for local and global impact. Our passion is to partner with those who connect to that purpose, to strengthen one another in the Lord so that we can impact our world for the Kingdom of God.

Please review this packet with your mind and with your heart. If who we are resonates with who you are, we would love for you to be a part of our family. As you step through our doors, we pray that through every hug, "hello," worship encounter, message, training, and testimony, you would simply and deeply know, "I am home."



Requirements for Membership

All membership applications are reviewed by the Board of Trustees and voted upon for approval.

- Must give clear evidence of your new birth in Christ (i.e. testimony of your salvation experience).
- Must live a consistent Christian lifestyle.
- Must be faithfully in attendance for at least three months.
- Must worship at Giving Light on a regular basis.
- Must regularly support Giving Light financially through your giving.
- Must subscribe to Giving Light's tenants of faith, vision, and values.
- Must maintain our culture of working together in love, unity, and trust (this includes speaking good of others without gossip or negative speech both inside and outside the church building).
- If you have recently accepted salvation, new believer's classes must be attended.

Note: After three consecutive months of missed attendance, the Board may vote to remove any member.



Tenants of Faith: What we Believe

Giving Light Christian Fellowship is a Prophetic Apostolic church that believes these truths:

We Believe that The Bible is the inspired Word of God and the revealed will of God (II Tim. 3:15-17; I Peter 1:23-25; Heb. 4:12).

We Believe that there is one true Godhead comprised of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. All are coequal and coeternal (Matt. 28:19; I John 5:7). Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh, is the second member of the Godhead (Is. 9:6; John 1:1, 14).

We Believe that man was created in God's image. By voluntary transgression he fell and his only hope of redemption is in Jesus Christ, the Son of God (Gen. 1:26-31, 3:1-7; Rom. 5:12-21).

We Believe in salvation through the redemptive work of the shed blood of Jesus. Christ became sin and sickness, providing both salvation and healing for all mankind (Ps.103:3). This salvation comes by believing in your heart that God raised Jesus from the dead and confessing with your mouth, Jesus is Lord! (Rom. 3:24, 10:8-10; Eph. 2:8).

We Believe that the inward evidence to the believer is the direct witness of the Spirit (Rom. 8:16). The outward evidence to all men is a life of true holiness and love. (I John 3:23; John 13:35).

We Believe that Salvation is by faith in Jesus Christ and not by human works; however our works are evidence of our faith and will determine our rewards in eternity (Acts 16:3; Rom. 10:9-10, 14:10-12; II Cor. 5:10; Eph. 2:8-9; Titus 3:5-7; James 2:18).

We Believe that baptism in water is a declaration to the world that a believer has died with Christ and that they have been raised with Him to walk in newness of life (Matt. 28:19; Acts 10:47-48; Rom. 6:4).

We Believe that all believers are entitled to and should ardently expect and earnestly seek, the promise of the Father, the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, according to the command of Jesus Christ. With this comes the endowment of power for life and service, the bestowment of gifts and their uses in the work of the ministry. This experience is distinct from and subsequent to the experience of the new birth (Luke 24:49; Acts 1:4-8, 2:38-39, 10:44-46, 11:14-16, 15:7-9; I Cor. 12:1-31).

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We Believe in the celebration of the Lord's Supper by eating of the bread and drinking of the cup is a remembrance of Jesus (I Cor. 11:24-30). We call this practice, "communion."

We Believe in the evidence of the baptism in the Holy Spirit: the full consummation of the baptism of believers in the Holy Spirit is evidenced by the initial physical sign of speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance and by the subsequent manifestation of spiritual power in public testimony and service (Acts 2:4, 10:44-46, 19:2,6, 1:8).

We Believe that the Church is the Body of Christ and that each believer is an integral part (Eph. 1:22, 2:19-22; Heb. 12:23).

We Believe in total prosperity: spiritually, mentally, physically, financially, and socially (John 3:3, 11; II Cor. 5:17-21; Rom. 10:9-10; II Tim. 1:7; Rom. 12:2; Is. 26:3; Is. 53:4,5; Matt. 8:17; I Peter 2:24; III John 1:2; Mal. 3:10-11; Luke 6:38; II Cor. 9: 6-10 Deut. 28:1-14; Prov. 3:4).

We Believe in the blessed hope that Jesus is coming again to gather all His Saints to Heaven (I Cor. 15:51-52; I Thess. 4:16-17; II Thess. 2:1).

We Believe that those who have not accepted the redemptive work of Jesus Christ will suffer eternal separation from the Godhead (Rev. 19:20, 20:10-15).

We Believe in the millennial reign of Jesus: The return of our Lord Jesus Christ with His Saints from Heaven to rule and reign for one thousand years on earth as the Scripture promised (Rom. 11:25, 27; II Thess. 1:7; Rev. 19:11-16, 20:1-7) After this, there will be a new heaven and a new earth (Rev. 21).

We Believe in fostering a Kingdom culture that thrives through love, trust, honor, and unity. Gossip, dissension and criticism are not a part of our community, therefore, we believe in accountability and loving correction to support our covenant values of healthy, life-giving relationship (Matt. 18:15-18; 1 Tim. 5:19-20; 2 Tim. 4:1-2; Titus 1:12-13; Titus 2:13-15; Rev. 3:19).

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Our Purpose and Core Values

Purpose Statement:

Equipping all ages to discover identity and activate purpose for local and global Kingdom impact.

Core Values:

A person's values are the true motivation behind what they do. At Giving Light, we have a defined set of values that you will find woven through every part of our unique expression. Our passion is to see shared values connect and for great partnerships to be formed. This collaboration creates an atmosphere where mutual validation and growth are fostered, as well as an empowering culture where personal purpose is activated and corporate vision fulfilled.

Covenant

Giving Light is a living family organism where relationship matters. We believe in cultivating and demonstrating the exchange of healthy life. We honor, challenge, validate, defend, and care for one another through deep relationships of the heart. These ties transcend geographical location, but bind through a deep commitment to one another's success.

Bravery

We are passionately committed to and demonstrating the Word, presence, and power of God. Because of this, we courageously and continually pursue Him to partner with what He is doing. Our mission is to pioneer and build platforms for God's Kingdom to be established on the earth. This passion creates a prophetic apostolic environment where faith is increased and the supernatural released. We believe in a God of the impossible and we will boldly go where He leads.

Influence

We firmly believe in the training and activation of every believer to establish the Kingdom of God wherever they go. Our hope is that Giving Light's equipping culture becomes a breeding ground for purpose, creativity, and strategy to be revealed, developed, and fulfilled. As this takes place, our goal is to see people of all ages continue to cultivate and activate what they receive—to be a righteous influence in every area of society and to see lives and cultures positively transformed.

Application for Membership to Giving Light Christian Fellowship

Note: Must be 16 years or older to apply for membership.

Name: _____ Birthdate: _____

Marital Status: single dating engaged married divorced separated widowed

If married, name of spouse: _____ Anniversary date: _____

Will your spouse be attending Giving Light with you? yes no

If no, please explain: _____

Name(s) and age(s) of children (if applicable):

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Will your children be attending Giving Light with you? yes no

If no, please explain

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Primary Phone Number: _____ Secondary Phone Number: _____

Email Address(es): _____

Note: Giving Light uses email to keep members informed on upcoming events, activities, news, updates, etc.

Are you on Facebook? yes no

Note: We have a closed Facebook group specifically for those who regularly attend Giving Light. This group is used to share testimonies, prayer requests, updates, and more. You will be added to the group upon your application's approval.

Age of salvation: _____ Age of water baptism: _____ Age of baptism in Holy Spirit: _____

If you have not been baptized in either water or in the Holy Spirit, would you like to be? yes no

By my signature below, I am stating that I want to be a member of Giving Light Christian Fellowship. I am acknowledging that I am agreement with the tenants of faith, vision, values, and membership requirements for Giving Light as well as expressing my desire to be an integrated part of this church family to worship, connect, grow, and support this living culture.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

