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### **NRCF** Welcome Packet

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Thank you for joining us at Narrow Road Christian Fellowship (NRCF). Anyone who meets and adheres to the following criteria is considered a member in this church:

- 1. Age eighteen (18) or older.
- 2. Confess that Jesus Christ as his or her Lord and Savior.
- 3. Agree to submit to the teaching of Scripture as expressed in the "Statement of Faith". (See Attachment 2)
- 4. Submit to the authority of the inherent Word of God.
- 5. Submit a church contact information form (see Attachment 1) to be added to the Church's membership database (if not already provided).
- 6. Must be listed in the membership database for a minimum of six months (This criteria has been waived for 2024).

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### ATTACHMENT 1 - MEMBER CONTACT INFORMATION FORM

Please fill out this form to provide your contact information.

Note, this information is only used by church staff and is never provided to any third-party companies or organizations.

Formal first			
name:	Last name:	Gender (M/F):	
Preferred first name:	Primary phone#	Marital Status:	
Email:		s this email individual or family?	
Would you like to receive church	h emails (Y/N)?	Are you 18 or older (Y/N):	
Street address City, State, Zip			
Have you ever been baptized?	Date, if k	known:	
(optional) If married, spouse's fi (Please fill out a separate co			
Optionally list any children liv	ing with you:		
Name:	Gender (M/F):	Birthday:	
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#### **ATTACHMENT 2 - STATEMENT OF FAITH**

Narrow Road Christian Fellowship is traditional and conservative in our theological beliefs. The Holy Bible is the inspired Word of God and the basis for our statement of faith. In obedience to Jesus Christ, our focus is making disciples, followers of Jesus Christ. We do this by following the early churches commitment to Bible teaching, Prayer, fellowship, and the breaking of Bread (Acts 2:42). This is all done by the power of the Holy Spirit and His work through His people. The following comprise the Scriptural beliefs of Narrow Road Christian Fellowship and its members:

- About the Bible: We believe the Bible to be inspired, the only infallible, authoritative Word of God and inerrant in the original writings. It was written by human authors under the supernatural guidance of the Holy Spirit. It is the supreme source of truth for Christian beliefs and living. (2 Tim 1:13; 2 Tim 3:16-17; 2 Peter. 1:20-21; Psalm 119:11,105,160; Pr. 30:5-6)
- <u>About God:</u> We believe there is one God, the uncreated Creator, eternally existent in three persons Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. These three are co-equal in power and glory and are one God. (Gen. 1:1; Psalm 90:2; Deut 6:4; Matt. 28:19; Acts 17:24-28; 1 Peter 1:2; 2 Cor. 13:14)
- About Jesus Christ: We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, His virgin birth, His vicarious, propitious, and atoning death through His shed blood, His bodily resurrection, His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and His future, imminent, personal return in power and great glory at the end of the age. (John 3:16; Matt. 1:22-23; Isaiah 9:6; Isaiah 53:5-6; John 1:1-5,14; Heb. 4:14-15; Rom. 8:34; Eph. 1:7; 1 Cor. 15:3-4; Rom. 1:3-4; Acts 1:9-11; 1 Tim. 6:14-15)
- About the Holy Spirit: We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Third Person of the Godhead, who came forth to convict the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment and to regenerate, sanctify and empower all who believe in Christ for ministry, service, and witness. We believe the Holy Spirit indwells every believer in Jesus Christ and that He is our abiding Helper, Teacher, and Guide. We believe in the present-day ministry of the Holy Spirit, as recorded throughout the New Testament, which includes the exercise of all the biblical gifts of the Holy Spirit in the Church. (Matt. 3:11; John 3:3-8, 14:16-17, 16:7-15; Acts 1:8; Rom. 8:5-11; 1 Cor. 2:9-14, 3:16-17, 12:4-13; 2 Cor. 1:21-22; Eph. 1:13-14)

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- <u>About Mankind:</u> We believe all people are sinners by nature and by choice and, therefore, are under condemnation. We believe God, by the Holy Spirit, regenerates and forgives those who repent of their sins and confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. We believe that through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit God, enables said believers to live godly lives. (Gen. 1:26-27; Psalm 8:3-6; Is. 53:5-6; Rom. 3:21-26, 5:12-21, 6:23; Eph. 2:1-10)
- About Salvation: Jesus Christ came to reconcile us with God. He lived a life without sin and willingly died on the cross to pay the penalty for our transgressions. God raised him from the dead and now, by grace, offers, as a free gift, eternal life to all who follow Christ, by faith, as their Lord and Savior. That is why salvation can be found in Christ alone. (John 1:12-13, 6:37-40, 10:25-30, 14:6; Rom. 5:1, 6:23, 8:1-17,31-39, 10:9-10; Eph. 1:7, 2:8-10; 1 Pet. 1:18-19; Titus 3:3-7; 1 John 1:7,9)
- <u>About Resurrection</u>: We believe in the bodily resurrection of both the saved and the unsaved—those who are saved unto the resurrection of life and those who are unsaved unto the resurrection of damnation. (1 Peter 1:3, 1 Thes 4:14, Rom 8:11, John 11:25-26, John 6:40, Isaiah 26:19, Dan 12:2, Job 19:25-26)
- About the Body of Christ: We believe in the spiritual unity of all true believers in our Lord Jesus Christ—called the Body of Christ. (Rom 12:5, 1 Cor 10:17, 1 Cor 12:25, 1 Cor 12:27, Eph 4:15-16)
- <u>About Baptism:</u> We believe that baptism is an outward sign of your inward profession. We practice baptism by immersion under water the way Jesus was baptized and the way the Bible commands. (Matt. 3:13, Mark 16:16, Col. 2:12)

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#### **ATTACHMENT 3 – DUTIES OF MEMBERS**

As members of this church we recognize our obligation to honor, serve, worship, praise and glorify the Lord Jesus Christ in all that we say and do (1 Corinthians 10:31). Jesus Christ is the head of the church and, therefore, its Lord and Lawgiver (Ephesians 1:22; Isaiah 33:22). Those who truly love Him will endeavor to keep His commandments (John 14:15). In His Holy Word our Lord calls believers to perform certain duties toward one another. Some of these duties are:

- A. To love one another sincerely in deed and truth (John 13:34, 35; Romans 12:9; 13:8–10; 1 John 3:18).
- B. To labor to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Ephesians 4:3).
- C. To work for the edification and spiritual benefit of the whole body so that we all may grow to spiritual maturity as a holy temple in and for the Lord (1 Corinthians 14:12, 26; Ephesians 4:12, 29; 2:21, 22).
- D. To watch over one another for good (Philippians 2:3,4).
- E. To pray with and for one another (James 5:16).
- F. Not to neglect the assembling of ourselves together, for the celebrating of divine worship, and thereby to promote one another's spiritual benefit (Hebrews 10:25; Acts 2:42).
- G. To contend unanimously for the faith and truth once delivered to the saints, in the purity thereof, according to the Holy Scripture (Psalm 93:5; Zechariah 14:2; 1 Corinthians 14:33–40; 11:2).
- H. All members who have cause to believe that the Church is involved in any activity or transaction that is in violation of the law to report that belief to the Senior Pastor or a member of the Board of Directors. All such reports will be thoroughly investigated by the Board of Directors. The reporting member shall not be subject to retaliation for making a good faith report. The Board of Directors shall take any remedial or other corrective action that is appropriate for any reported violation that is found to be valid or accurate.

The above duties, when faithfully performed by every member, will have a positive, formative effect upon the whole assembly. With the blessing of the Holy Spirit we will all be enabled to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

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#### ATTACHMENT 4 - PRIVILEGES OF MEMBERS

- A. The ordinance of Baptism in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost as commanded in the Scriptures, shall be administered to all those who have believed on the Lord Jesus Christ to the saving of their souls and who give clear evidence of their fruit (Matthew 28:19, Colossians 2:12).
- B. The ordinance of the Lord's Supper shall be observed regularly as a part of public worship, as commanded by the Lord (Luke 22:19, 20; I Corinthians 11:23-26).
- C. Infants and small children may be dedicated to the Lord in the church upon the request of the parents or guardians (Mark 10:13-16; Luke 18:15, 16).
- D. The ministration of laying on of hands accompanied with the anointing with oil, for the healing of the sick, shall be granted as a request is made and the need may require (Mark 16:18; James 5:14).
- E. Every member of the church who meets the established criteria is eligible for consideration as a candidate for the Board of Directors in the church.