

# THE WOODBRIDGE FAMILY COMMITMENT PROMISE

Having received Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior and been baptized, I now feel led by the Holy Spirit to unite with the Woodbridge church family. In doing so, I commit myself to God and to the other family members to do the following:

## 1. I WILL ENTER THE PASSION OF MY CHURCH:

- i. By loving the Lord Jesus Christ with all of my heart, soul, mind, and strength.
- ii. By pursuing the attitude of daily surrendering to Him the throne of my life.
- iii. By worshiping the Lord in private and corporate worship with truthfulness and authenticity.

*Jesus answered, "The foremost is, 'HEAR, O ISRAEL! THE LORD OUR GOD IS ONE LORD; AND YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND, AND WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH.' "The second is this, 'YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.' There is no other commandment greater than these." (Mark 12:29-31 NASB)*

*"Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. "Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and YOU WILL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS. "For My yoke is easy and My burden is light." (Mt 11:28-30 NASB)*

*"But an hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers. (John 4:23 NASB)*

## 2. I WILL PROTECT THE UNITY OF MY CHURCH:

- i. By acting in love towards one another
- ii. By refusing to gossip
- iii. By forgiving one another
- iv. By honoring and following the leaders of the church

*"Now you can have sincere love for each other as brothers and sisters because you were cleansed from your sins when you accepted the truth of the Good News. So see to it that you really do love each other intensely with all your hearts." (1 Peter 1:22 NLT)*

*"Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, so that it will give grace to those who hear." (Eph. 4:29 NASB)*

*"Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you. (Eph. 4:29 NASB)*

*"Now we ask you, brothers, to respect those who work hard among you, who are over you in the Lord and who admonish you. Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work. Live in peace with each other." (1 Thess. 5:12-13 NIV)*

*"Obey your spiritual leaders and do what they say. Their work is to watch over your souls, and they know they are accountable to God. Give them reason to do this joyfully and not with sorrow. That would certainly not be for your benefit." (Heb. 13:17 NLT)*

**3. I WILL SHARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF MY CHURCH:**

- i. By praying for it's growth
- ii. By inviting the unchurched to attend
- iii. By warmly welcoming those who visit

*"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer...praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved." (Acts 2:42,47 NIV)*

*"And the master said to the slave, 'Go out into the highways and along the hedges, and compel them to come in, so that my house may be filled. (Luke 14:23 NASB)*

*"So warmly welcome each other into the church, just as Christ has warmly welcomed you; then God will be glorified." (Rom. 15:17 LB)*

**4. I WILL SUPPORT THE TESTIMONY OF MY CHURCH:**

- i. By attending faithfully
- ii. By living a Godly life
- iii. By giving regularly

*"Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another and all the more as you see the Day approaching." (Heb 11:25 NIV)*

*"Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ..." (Phil 1:27)*

*"On every Lord's Day, each of you should put aside some amount of money in relation to what you have earned and save it for this offering." (1 Cor. 16:2 NLT)*

**5. I WILL SERVE THE MINISTRY OF MY CHURCH:**

- i. By discovering my gifts and talents
- ii. By being equipped to serve by my leaders
- iii. By developing a servant's heart

*"God has given gifts to each of you from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Manage them well so that God's generosity can flow through you." (1 Peter 4:10 NLT)*

*"It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up" (Eph 4:11-12 NIV)*

*"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus" (Phil 2:3-5 NIV)*

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