

## **Emmanuel Baptist Church Covenant Potsdam, NY**

Having been led by the Holy Spirit of God to receive Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior, and to show our obedience and identification with Him by being baptized, and also having been led by His Spirit to this part of the Body of Christ, we do now before God and in the presence of this assembly of believers, most joyfully and solemnly enter into covenant with members of the part of the body known as Emmanuel Baptist Church in Potsdam, New York.

We affirm God's eternal covenant with us and our insoluble covenant with Him through Jesus Christ. We understand that our part of the covenant is to love Him with all our heart, soul, mind and strength, and that this is expressed by continuing trust in His promises and obedience to His commandments. Our purpose both collectively and individually is to minister to Him in worship by offering to Him those spiritual sacrifices which are acceptable to Him.

Being children of God, we realize our responsibility to each other as members of the same spiritual family. In joyful and solemn covenant with this Church fellowship, we commit ourselves to love and be devoted to each other, and to seek to carry out the mutual responsibilities we have toward each other as the Scriptures teach.

We covenant to seek to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to forsake sin, to regularly and cheerfully give of ourselves and of God's spiritual and material gifts to us for the building up of the body, to lovingly and prayerfully lead all those committed to our care, and submit to all God appoints over us.

By our godly lifestyle and through our verbal witness, we commit ourselves to be Christ's witness to the world and to manifest God's glory to those who are lost.

We accept the Affirmation of Faith as stated, as our basis of belief.

As God is our witness, to this we commit ourselves both collectively and individually, admitting our total dependence on the Holy Spirit for our fulfillment of this covenant.