

Good News Fellowship Church Community Covenant

The Good News Fellowship, Church of the Mennonite Brethren, Doctrinal Statement shall be the Confession of Faith of The Church. The Church accepts the Holy Bible as the supreme and final authority in all matters of faith and conduct. All staff, Members, and those exercising ministry in and through The Church pledge to be subject to the standards and requirements it sets forth, which are expressed in The Church's bylaws and policies. They will also be in agreement with the Church's Community Covenant:

- I acknowledge Jesus Christ as my Savior and submit to Him as Lord over all my life.
- I acknowledge the Bible as the inspired Word of God and as my ultimate guide in faith and conduct.
- I accept and agree with our Confession of Faith.
- I agree to follow the biblically defined ethical and moral standards set by this community and will uphold them in conversation, work, teaching and lifestyle.
- I specifically affirm both singleness and marriage as biblically approved lifestyles. I acknowledge that biblically defined marriage is an exclusive life partnership between a man and a woman. Sexual union is strictly reserved for marriage and celibacy is required of the unmarried. I affirm that a lifestyle that practices sexual activity outside of biblically defined marriage is a violation of this community's standards and cause for refusal or removal from Membership, service and/or staff employment.
- I understand that The Church is a voluntary organization and that it accomplishes its mission and work through the mutual exercise of the gifts, talents, abilities and resources of those who identify with it (Eph. 4). Therefore, I will seek to strengthen and edify this community, support the leadership, and help to carry out its mission through my willing, voluntary service as a living, joyful act of worship to God (Rom. 12:1-2).