

Gehman Mennonite Church Covenant

As a member of the Gehman Congregation, I affirm that Jesus Christ is my Saviour and Lord. I desire to live out His teachings in my daily life, I accept the doctrines of the Word of God as set forth and interpreted by the Mennonite Church in the Mennonite Confession of Faith.

1. I believe in one eternally existent, infinite God, Sovereign of the universe; that He alone is God, creative and administrative, holy in nature, attributes, and purpose; that He as God is triune in essential being - Father, Son and Holy Spirit and that the Bible is God's Inspired Word.
2. I believe as a church family we need to lovingly support and pray for one another, to give counsel, to meet and care for physical and spiritual needs, to affirm and encourage one another, and otherwise cultivate meaningful relationships.
3. It is my intention as God enables me to attend as regularly as possible the regular meetings of this congregation, to be faithful in my personal devotions and in witnessing to others by word and deed.
4. I will contribute, whether single or married, to the stability of marriage and homes, by avoiding sexual immorality of every kind, by respecting the Biblical order of authority in homes where I live or fellowship, and by upholding God's standards for man/woman relationships, recognizing that God intends marriage to be a covenant between one man and one woman for life, and only in the Lord. Singleness is a worthy lifestyle and I respect and affirm those who choose this way of life under God.
5. I believe that it is the will of God for His children to follow the way of Christian love. The teaching of Jesus asks us not to resist evildoers, but to renounce all violence in human relations. I will in no way knowingly cheapen, injure or destroy human life born or unborn which is sacred.
6. I join this congregation in the joyful anticipation of the personal return of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is coming again and will raise the dead, sit in judgment, reward the faithful and bring in God's everlasting kingdom. Therefore, I will "lay up for myself treasures in heaven" and contribute financially as God enables me.
7. I commit myself to practicing a lifestyle consistent to New Testament teaching. I will attempt to live a simple life guided by Christ's example. To the best of my ability I will live in harmony with this congregation.

Name

Date

Acknowledged

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