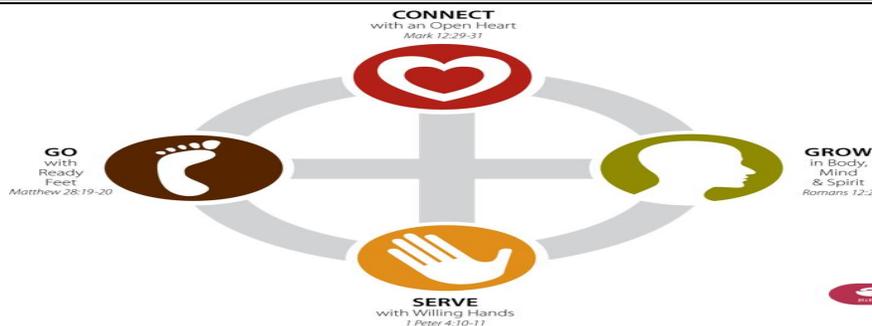


CONNECT WITH GOD'S FAMILY ONLINE QUESTIONNAIRE FOR MEMBERSHIP AT MORNINGSTAR COMMUNITY CHURCH



Hi! So you have decided to join us? Great. Membership at Morningstar Community Church requires that you complete 5 steps: **What are the personal requirements for membership @ MorningStar?**

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For those of you who choose to complete the Connect class course online you must download the Workbook or ask for a copy from the church office. The material is designed to be completed as you use your bible. Don't panic, there is an answer key to assist your study. Then you "must" complete this questionnaire, sign a church covenant, and email it to brogrady@aol.com.

QUESTIONNAIRE MUST BE COMPLETED BY FILLING IN THE BLANKS

"...You are a member of God's very own family...and you belong in God's household with every other Christian." Eph. 2:19 (LB)

Key Truths:

1. The church is.....
2. God expects you to be of a church family.

The Goal of This Class: I will commit myself to _____ and to the
family.

WHY AM I HERE?

1. **GOD MADE ME TOME!**

God says, *“I have loved you with an everlasting love!”* Jer. 31:3

2. **WE WERE CREATED TOA PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD AND TO MANAGE ALL OF THE REST OF GOD’S CREATION! THIS MAKES US SPECIAL!**

WHAT DOES GOD WANT ME TO DO?

List the 4 things God wants me to do to solve my sin problem.

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____

WHY SHOULD I BE BAPTIZED? LIST THE 3 REASONS

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

BAPTISM ILLUSTRATES _____

Baptism doesn’t make you a believer — it shows that **you** _____.

The word baptize means _____.

Who should be baptized? _____

How often do we participate in the Lord’s Supper? _____

WHAT IS THE LORD’S SUPPER? (1 COR. 11:23-26)

1. **IT IS A..... ACT. (vs. 23)**
2. **IT IS A..... (vs. 24)**
3. **IT IS A.....(vs. 25)**

4. IT IS A..... OF FAITH. (vs. 26)

OUR PURPOSE: “AS A KINGDOM FIRST CHURCH WE BELIEVE A GREAT COMMITMENT TO THE GREAT.....AND THE GREAT.....WILL GROW A GREAT CHURCH!”

LIST THE 2 BIBLE REFERENCES WE DRAW OUR PURPOSE FROM.

1. _____ 2. _____

MORNINGSTAR COMMUNITY CHURCH EXISTS:

- 1. To..... God’s Presence (Worship)
- 2. To..... God’s Love (Ministry)
- 3. To..... God’s Word (Evangelism)
- 4. To..... God’s Family (Fellowship)
- 5. To..... God’s People (Discipleship)

What We Believe

In essential beliefs — we have _____.

In non-essential beliefs — we have _____.

In all our beliefs — we show _____.

What do we believe about the

a) Bible _____

b)Salvation _____

c) Christ _____

d) Eternal Security _____

Our Lifestyle Statement is based upon an acrostic. What is the word that reflects what we do? _____

THE MORNINGSTAR STRATEGY

(Paul) “I have been all things to all sorts of people that by every possible means I might win some to God. I do all of this for the sake of the Good News.” 1 Corinthians 9:22-23 (Ph)

In our strategy section we listed 5 circles of people. In each circle there is a group of people that represent our strategy for growing this church. List those 5 people groups.

- 1) _____ 2) _____
 3) _____ 4) _____
 5) _____

HOW OUR CHURCH IS STRUCTURED

The structure of the church should *not* be determined by culture, business practices, or even denominational traditions.

THE NATURE OF THE CHURCH DETERMINES ITS STRUCTURE.

THE CHURCH IS A

A top priority in a fellowship is _____ and _____ .

A GOOD STRUCTURE PROMOTES UNITY AND DOWNPLAYS _____ .

Congregational voting tends to _____ ! At MorningStar, the members vote on four things. List those four things.

- 1) _____ 2) _____
 3) _____ 4) _____

THE CHURCH IS A

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**WE OPERATE ON THE BASIS OF.....MORE
 THAN.....**

THE CHURCH IS A

THEREFORE, WE FUNCTION ON THE BASIS OF _____

OUR STRUCTURE

- **THE PEOPLE ARE THE “**
- **THE PASTORS ARE THE “**

THE CHURCH IS A

THEREFORE, IT IS CARED FOR AND LED BY

We are associated with the _____ Convention

WHAT IS EXPECTED OF ME AS A MEMBER?

At MorningStar Community Church we never ask our members to do more than the Bible clearly teaches. We only expect our members to do what the Bible expects every Christian to do. These responsibilities are spelled out in the Membership Covenant.

THE MORNINGSTAR COMMUNITY CHURCH MEMBERSHIP COVENANT

“Having received Christ as my Lord and Savior and been baptized (or agree to be baptized), and being in agreement with MorningStar’s statements, strategy and structure, I now feel led by the Holy Spirit to unite with/ reaffirm my commitment to this Community Of Faith. In doing so, I commit myself to God and to the other members to do the following:

I. I WILL PROTECT THE UNITY OF MY CHURCH

...By acting in love toward other members
...By refusing to gossip
...By following the leaders

“So let us concentrate on the things which make for harmony, and on the growth of our fellowship together.” Rom. 15:19 (Ph)

“Live in complete harmony with each other — each with the attitude of Christ toward each other.” Rom 15:5 (LB)

“Have a sincere love for your fellow believers, love one another earnestly with all your hearts.” 1 Peter 1:22 (GN)

“Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of our mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs...” Eph. 4:29

“Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give an account. Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be no advantage to you.” Heb. 13:17

II. I WILL SHARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF MY CHURCH

- ...By praying for its growth**
- ...By inviting the unchurched to attend**
- ...By warmly welcoming those who visit**

“To the church...we always thank God for you and pray for you constantly.” 1 Thess. 1:2

“Go out into the country...and urge anyone you find to come in, so that My House will be full.”
Luke 14:23 (LB)

“So, warmly welcome each other into the church, just as Christ has warmly welcomed you; then God will be glorified.” Rom. 15:7 (LB)

III. I WILL SERVE THE MINISTRY OF MY CHURCH

- ...By discovering my gifts and talents**
- ...By being equipped to serve by my pastors**
- ...By developing a servant’s heart**

“Serve one another with the particular gifts God has given each of you...” 1 Peter 4:10 (Ph)

“God gave...some to be pastors and teachers to prepare God’s people for works of ministry, so that the body of Christ may be built up...” Eph. 4:11-12

“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 Jesus Christ...who took on the very nature of a servant...”
Phil 2:3-4, 7

IV. I WILL SUPPORT THE TESTIMONY OF MY CHURCH

- ...By attending faithfully**
- ...By living a godly life**
- ...By giving regularly**

“Let us not give up the habit of meeting together...but let us encourage one another.” Heb. 10:25

“But whatever happens, make sure that your everyday life is worthy of the gospel of Christ.” Phil. 1:27 (Ph)

“Each one of you, on the first day of each week, should set aside a specific sum of money in proportion to what you have earned and use it for the offering.” 1 Cor. 16:2

“A tenth of all you produce is the Lord’s, and it is holy.” Lev. 27:30

Name _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Phone _____

Address _____

email _____

I am giving my life to Christ today _____ I would like to join the church _____

(I am coming from another church which I am a member of. Here is the church's name and address.

Have you completed these other steps? Please check off the steps you have completed.

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Are You Ready To Sign the Membership Covenant? Please email this questionnaire or mail/bring a printed copy to the church. (If you have not completed the other steps, speak to the pastor or an Elder about completing those steps.

WELCOME!