



## **Membership Application**

For those believers, who have regularly attended the church for approximately one year, have attended the Connecting Point class, and who support the ministry of Findlay Evangelical Free Church through their active involvement.

# **FINDLAY EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH**

## **MEMBERSHIP COMMITMENT**

### **AND APPLICATION FORM**

Having received Christ as my Lord and Savior, and being in full agreement with F.E.F.C.'s statement of faith, constitution, by-laws, strategy and philosophy of ministry, I now feel led by the Holy Spirit to formally unite with the F.E.F.C. family by applying for membership. In doing so, I commit myself to God and to the other members to do the following:

- 1. I will protect the unity of my church**
  - a. By acting in love toward other members**
  - b. By refusing to gossip**
  - c. By following the Pastors and Elders of F.E.F.C.**
  - d. By resigning my membership if later I find I am no longer in agreement with the commitments above**

“So then let us pursue the things which make for peace and the building up of one another.” (Rom. 14:19)

“Since you have in obedience to the truth purified your souls for a sincere love of the brethren, fervently love one another from the heart.” (1 Peter 1:22)

“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)

“Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they keep watch over your souls as those who will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with grief, for this would be unprofitable for you.” (Heb. 13:17)

- 2. I will share the responsibility of my church**
  - a. By praying for its growth**
  - b. By reaching out to the unsaved**
  - c. By warmly welcoming those who visit**

“Paul and Silvanus and Timothy to the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We give thanks to God always for all of you, making mention of you in our prayers.” (1 Thess. 1:1-2)

“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)

“Therefore, accept one another, just as Christ also accepted us to the glory of God.” (Rom. 15:7)

“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” (Matt. 28:19-20)

- 3. I will serve the ministry of my church**
  - a. By discovering my gifts and talents**
  - b. By being equipped to serve by my pastors and leaders**
  - c. By developing a servant's heart**

“As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.” (1 Peter 4:10)

“And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ.” (Eph. 4:11-12)

“Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.” (Phil. 2:3-4)

- 4. I will support the testimony of my church**
  - a. By attending faithfully**
  - b. By living a godly life**
  - c. By giving regularly**
  - d. By doing everything in my power to make Findlay E-Free an effective ministry for God**

“And let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds. Not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near.” (Heb. 10:24-25)

“Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or remain absent, I will hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel.” (Phil. 2:27)

“On the first day of every week each one of you is to put aside and save, as he may prosper, so that no collections be made when I come.” (1 Cor. 16:2)

“For I testify that according to their ability, and beyond their ability, they gave of their own accord.” (2 Cor. 8:3)

In dependence upon God's grace, I will endeavor to maintain the above commitment as a member of the Findlay Evangelical Free Church. \*

Signature of Applicant

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\*In light of the above biblical principles, Findlay Evangelical Free does not maintain a so-called “inactive member” list. (Except in cases of chronic illness, homebound members, students away at college and other cases the elders may choose to consider.) I therefore understand that if I, as a member, choose to no longer attend and support the ministry of Findlay Evangelical Free Church, my name will be removed from the membership list.

**FINDLAY EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH  
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

MARITAL STATUS: Single ( ) Married ( ) Divorced ( ) Widowed ( )

**CHRISTIAN TESTIMONY:**

In accordance with our Statement of Faith regarding church membership, please describe how you came into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

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What are you doing to grow in your Christian faith? \_\_\_\_\_

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(If necessary, continue answers on the other side)

BAPTISM: Have you been baptized by believer's baptism? \_\_\_\_\_ When? \_\_\_\_\_

When did you start attending E-Free? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you previously been a member of a church? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, which church? \_\_\_\_\_

In what area of church ministry would you be willing and able to serve?

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Do you agree with the doctrine, Constitution and By-Laws, and philosophy of ministry of this church? \_\_\_\_\_

*I have read and will endeavor to abide by the Findlay Evangelical Free Church Membership Commitments:*

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Application endorsed by: \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Reception: \_\_\_\_\_