



MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

Congregational Commitments, part 2

OUR PURPOSE

► Crosstown Church exists *for the _____ of God and the _____ of all people.*

OUR MISSION

► The mission of Crosstown Church is *to reach and mature God's people by _____ Jesus and serving the city.* (Colossians 1:28)

OUR VALUES

1. TRUTH: *God reveals the truths of his Word to those who strive to know them.* (Psalm 119:18; 2 Timothy 2:7)

- We encourage the pursuit of truth.
- You don't need an _____ to be a Christian because Christianity is an _____ in itself.

2. TRANSFORMATION: *A heart gripped by spiritual truth transforms a person so that all of life becomes an act of worship.* (Romans 12:1-2; 1 Corinthians 10:31)

- True worship is all-of-life worship.
- True worship is not _____ or grudgingly offered.

3. COMMUNITY: *The transforming power of the gospel creates a community of worshippers who sincerely care for one another.* (Acts 2:42-47; John 13:35)

- Christian community is formed by _____ worshippers of God.
- The love within Christian community is radical because it is _____.

4. MENTORING: *Christian community endures as we pass on the faith to others and train them to do likewise.* (Matthew 28:18-20; 2 Timothy 2:2)

- Intentionally investing one's _____ into another, not merely passing along _____.
- If God's mission for us is making _____, in what ways are we doing that?

5. the CITY: *Society benefits from a healthy Christian community living out the implications of their faith.* (Titus 3:8; Jeremiah 29:4-7)

- If the church is not known for its good deeds, it may be because our gospel is too _____.
- Good deeds flow from the gospel, as a clear _____ of it.

6. DEPENDENCE: *The church will succeed in its mission only by relying on the power of Christ.* (Matthew 16:18; Psalm 127:1)

- We are totally dependent on God for _____.
- We cannot succeed in our mission as a church unless God enables us to do so.

OUR COMMITMENTS

The pathway to meaningful fellowship with God and one another is to be found in commitment, not apart from it.

- Commitment to the authority of _____.
- Commitment to _____ and _____ worship.
 - a. We will maintain a private devotional life.
 - b. We will make it a priority to attend the corporate gatherings of the church.
- Commitment to the pursuit of _____.
 - a. We are accepted by God because of Christ's righteousness, not our own. But we are commanded to _____ sin until we die.
 - b. We are also commanded to pursue Christian _____.
 - c. We fight sin together, extending grace to one another and _____ one another when we fail.
- Commitment to the _____.
 - a. We are covenanting to pursue the mission of God as members of this church.
 - b. We are submitting to the spiritual oversight of the pastors of this church.
 - c. We voluntarily give of our _____, _____, and _____ to serve this church.
 - d. We commit to carrying out the mission as part of a _____ of this church.
- Commitment to _____.
 - a. We will not hold _____ against one another.
 - b. We will _____ one another as we have been _____ by Christ.
 - c. We will submit to restorative church discipline for the sake of our spiritual _____.
 - d. We will unite around the Confession of Faith of Crosstown Church.

CONCLUSION

- The church covenant is a _____ tool, not just a church _____.
- If you are not in covenant with a church as a member, you need to become one soon.