



Higher Ground Outreach Membership Application

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please return it Minister on site or Assistant to the
Pastor.*

Thank you!

Personal Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Gender: F M Marital Status: Single Married Widowed Divorced

Date of Birth: _____ Spouse Name: _____

Why do you desire to become a member of HGOC Church?

What year did you begin worshipping with the HGOC Church Family? _____

Where did you worship before coming to HGOC Church? _____

Membership Detail

Date of Membership Class attended or attending: _____

Have you received Jesus Christ as your personal Savior? Yes No Unsure

(Please complete the testimony section on the reverse side of this form)

Have you been baptized by immersion as a follower of Jesus Christ?

Yes Indicate year and location: _____

No Please contact me about getting baptized.

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Are you willing to commit to the HGOC Church Membership Covenant? Yes No

Are you in agreement with the HGOC Church Statement of Faith? Yes No

In what HGOC Church or other ministries are you serving? (1 Peter 4:10, Romans 12:4-8)

If you aren't yet serving, where can we help connect you prior to membership?

Please write a brief summary of your personal testimony and include the following:

1. What was your life like before you received Christ as your Savior?
2. How and when did you accept Christ as your Savior?
3. How has salvation in Jesus Christ impacted your life?

Signature _____

Date _____

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Having received Jesus Christ as my Savior and Lord and having been obedient to Him in believer's baptism, I now am led by the Holy Spirit to join HGOC Church in membership. In doing so, I joyfully and willingly commit to the following:

1. I will contribute to the spiritual maturity of our church

- ... by maintaining personal and corporate spiritual disciplines of Bible study, prayer, and worship.
- ... by promoting spiritual growth in my home and among my family members.
- ... by seeking to live a victorious Christian life by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Psalm 119:33-38, 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, Psalm 78:4-7, Ephesians 4:20-24

2. I will protect the spiritual unity of our church

- ... by participating in regular fellowship with others from Grace Church for the purposes of encouragement, teaching, exhortation, and support.
- ... by expressing an attitude of humility, love, grace, and forgiveness in non-essential issues of personal preference.
- ... by being in agreement with our Statement of Faith and Bylaws.
- ... by following and praying for our leaders.

Romans 15:7, Philippians 2:1-5, Hebrews 13:17; Hebrews 10:24-25

3. I will share in the spiritual impact of our church

- ... by inviting the un-churched to attend services and other activities here and warmly welcoming those who visit.
- ... by actively sharing my faith.
- ... by discovering and using my gifts and talents in service to the church.
- ... by giving tithes and offerings faithfully.
- ... by praying for effective evangelistic outreach, locally and globally.

Luke 14:23, Matthew 28:19-20, Ephesians 4:11-12, 2 Corinthians 9:7-8, Colossians 4:3-4

Signature of New Member

Date

Print Name

Higher Ground Outreach Church Membership Covenant

In recognition of the transforming power of God in your life, and by means of your affirmation of faith in Christ and your commitment to HGOC Church, in partnership with the Holy Spirit the church leadership joyfully and willingly commits to the following:

1. We will provide you opportunities for spiritual growth in the knowledge of and obedience to the Word of God.

Colossians 1:3-12, 2 Thessalonians 2:13-15

2. We will pray with you, for you and your loved ones.

Philippians 1:3-6, Romans 1:8-10, James 5:13-16

3. We will spiritually nurture your relationship with Christ and with one another by lovingly caring for you and seeking your growth in Christ. .

Acts 20:28, 1 Thessalonians 2:7-8

4. We will provide spiritual leadership by appointing pastors and elders who meet the criteria assigned to these leadership roles in the Scriptures.

1 Timothy 3:1-11, Titus 1:5-9

5. We will be godly examples and join you in fulfilling our responsibilities as church members.

1 Peter 5:1-3, Ephesians 5:1-2

Bishop Rickey T. Washington Sr.

November 3, 2014

Senior Pastor

Date

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