



WORSHIP TEAM COVENANT

We are determined to experience the presence and power of God
To see lives changed at every worship service...

NO SPECTATORS | ONLY WORSHIPERS

WORSHIP TEAM | GUIDELINES

PURPOSE | VISION

1. It is our belief at Restoration Life Church that the Praise & Worship team is a vital part to the ministry of this body of believers.

- Members of this team should view their function as ministers of the gospel through music and song. Those who serve on the Praise & Worship Team, therefore, should view their role as a calling from God.

2. Membership on the Praise Team (in any way) is a position of Christian leadership.

- The primary function, then, is to lead the congregation in true worship under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. **“God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth”. (John 4:24)**
- We emphasize that our purpose and calling is that of leading others into the very presence of the Living God.
- There is no calling issued for “performances” and “showmanship” – only true praise and worship. Therefore, members must strive continually through prayer and example to have a pure heart before God and others.

3. **The vision for the Worship Pastor and Lead Pastor is to maintain a musical ministry of excellence.**

- We desire to have a praise//worship team, including singers, musicians & choirs for special performances, dramas, conferences and special events.

GUIDELINES | REQUIREMENTS

1. CALLING

* It is very important for those who participate in the Worship Team to feel that they are “called and anointed” to the ministry of worship.

- We believe in the operation of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit in the order of Service at Restoration Life Church.

2. LIFESTYLE

*** Participants must be born-again believers of Christ, and their lifestyle must resemble that of a born-again Christian.**

- Participants must be worshipers on and off the platform. Anyone who has difficulty worshipping at home or in the congregation is not ready to be on the platform leading others in worship.
- We protect our testimony by abstaining from anything that can damage who we are in Christ.

*** We are not involved in ungodly relationships.**

- We are careful to always glorify God on social media and protect who we represent everywhere in our lives.

*** We are no given over to drunkenness. We don't drink alcohol socially.**

- Why? Because we care about other people and their addictions.
- OUR DNA growth Track Covers this in our Etiquette.

3. TALENTS AND SKILLS

* Although we recognize the importance of a pure heart, the musician and vocalists also need to have enough skill so that they can follow the leading of the Holy Spirit.

- Musicians and vocalists should have open hearts to receive advice, correction, training, and should be committed to becoming proficiently skilled at their ministry.
- “Kenaniah the head Levite was in charge of the singing; that was his responsibility because he was skillful at it”. (1 Chronicles 15:22)

*** One does not need to be a professional musician to worship the Lord, but God honors the discipline of additional practice and preparation. “Failing to prepare is preparing for failure.”**

4. COMMITMENT

- * Worship Team members should be actively involved at restoration life and dedicated to restoration life's vision and to the leadership of its pastors and other leaders.
 - This commitment includes their prayers, regular attendance, and tithes/offerings and involvement in a Life Group.
 - Those who commit to serving on the Worship Team are asked to commit to weekly rehearsals and they are expected to do their best to make sure other commitments do not interfere with their ability to serve on the Worship Team on a weekly basis.
- * Each Team member is required to attend weekly practices scheduled every Saturday beginning at 9:am unless otherwise noted.
 - Practice "always" begins with prayer from 8:45am– 9:00 am and is a vital component in becoming a spiritually strong and united team.
 - Because we value the importance of family, prospective Worship Team members should not join the team without the full support of their family.

5. ATTENDANCES AND PUNCTUALITY

- * **Attendance and punctuality** are very important factors for being a member of the Worship Team.
 - Weekly rehearsals are required, and members should arrive ready to work on the designated material.
 - Poor attendance and showing up late for rehearsals demonstrate a lack of discipline and honor for the team & this ministry.
 - Those who are unable to attend rehearsals should not expect to participate in the Worship Team the following Sunday unless prior arrangements with the worship pastor have been made.

6. ATTIRE

- * As leaders, members must dress properly.
 - Although we recognize that God does not judge us by outward appearance (1 Samuel 16:7), we also realize that proper attire adds a level of excellence to the worship experience.
 - Consequently, members are encouraged to be neat, clean, and appropriately dressed for all services.

- Inappropriate dress for regular worship services includes sweats, short skirts, or any logo that is questionable. “All the Levites who were musicians . . . stood on the east side of the altar, dressed in fine linens . . .”. (2 Chronicles 5:12)

7. NEW APPLICANTS AND WAITING PERIODS

*** Completion of DNA 101-301 is required to be on team.**

- We constantly seek to expand our Worship team.
- Anyone interested in serving is encouraged to set up an appointment with the worship pastor (Roxanne Vargas) to discuss the guidelines and expectations presented in this manual.
- The prospective Worship team member will also have a brief and informal audition at this time.
- **New applicants to the Worship Team** will be required to attend several rehearsals before “taking the platform.”
- Additional reading may also be required, at the discretion of the church leadership.

8. SCHEDULE CONFLICTS, ETC.

- If at any time, a member (including visual equipment operators, sound engineers, etc.) cannot attend a service, rehearsal, etc. they must find their own replacement and notify the worship pastor in advance if at all possible so that proper adjustments can be made.

9. SOUND ENGINEERS, VISUAL EQUIPMENT OPERATORS, ETC.

- * Sound engineers and visual equipment operators are important members of the worship ministry.
 - Visual equipment operators are asked to arrive early so they can operate the slides while the Worship Team rehearses.
 - These members should be attentive at all times during the service and ready to make changes “on the fly” where necessary.
- * The sound engineers are also asked to arrive early and help the Worship Team as much as possible.
 - Sound engineers must be alert and responsive, especially during the worship, and should be ready to make adjustments quickly.

* It is important to state that we intend for the information in this manual to serve as a guideline, but we realize that exceptions will occur.

These exceptions will be determined by the leadership of Restoration Life Church.

* It is also important to state that these guidelines apply to those who participate in the Worship Ministry on a regular basis, not those who participate in special programs, special music, etc.

10. OPEN COMMUNICATION IS OF VITAL IMPORTANCE.

* If at any time a team member is confused, discouraged, or unhappy with the way things may be happening at a given time,

- They are encouraged to speak with the Worship Pastor, Lead Pastor, or other leadership only.

SCHEDULE:

LAWNDALE CAMPUS:

- Rehearsal – Saturdays from 9am-11am.
- Sunday Call time – If serving during 1st Service, arrive at 7am. If serving for 2nd & 3rd service, arrive by 8:30am.
- Mid-week Service (Wednesdays in summer) – 6:15pm – 9pm

TORRANCE CAMPUS:

- Rehearsal – Wednesdays from 7pm-9pm.
- Sunday Call Time – 1:30pm

Schedule subject to change for Special Services, Events, Conferences, etc.

ACCEPTANCE OF GUIDELINES

You are expected to execute and adhere to the Restoration Life Church Praise & Worship Team Guidelines.

I / We _____ understand, accept and agree with the guidelines and disciplinary actions.

Furthermore, I/We agree to conduct my/our actions according to the guidelines and promise to uphold the utmost integrity of ministry.

X _____

Date _____

PLEASE COMPLETE:

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Birthday: _____

Please explain why you feel you should be part of this ministry _____
