

## HICKORY ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH - CHURCH COVENANT

1. We believe the Spirit of God has led us to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior.
2. And on the profession of our faith, we have been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
3. In the presence of God, angels, and this assembly, **relying upon the grace of God**, we sincerely and joyfully (enter into/renew our) covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.
4. **We will** make every effort to keep ourselves united in the Spirit, binding ourselves together with peace.
5. **We will** not forsake the assembling of ourselves together, nor neglect to pray for one another.
6. **We will** contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the Gospel through all nations.
7. **We will** work together, with our brothers and sisters in Christ, to continue the faithful evangelical ministry of this church, as we sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines.
8. **We will** walk together in brotherly love, exercise an affectionate care and watchfulness over each other and faithfully admonish and encourage one another as occasion may require.
9. **We will** rejoice at each other's happiness and endeavor with tenderness and sympathy to bear each other's burdens and sorrows.
10. **We will** seek, to live in a manner worthy of our calling, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, remembering that we have been voluntarily buried and raised with Christ in baptism to lead a new and holy life for the glory of God.
11. **We will** endeavor by a pure and loving example to seek the salvation of our family, friends and those whom the Lord places within our sphere of influence.
12. **We will**, if upon leaving this fellowship, unite with another church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.
13. May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. Amen.