

THE MEANING OF SUNNYBROOK MEMBERSHIP

There are biblical expectations of those called by God to be in fellowship with a local church body. When studying the biblical characteristics of a follower of Jesus, we discover a number of qualities:

In the practice of these descriptive qualities, we believe there are a number of biblical expectations of those called by God to be in fellowship at Sunnybrook Christian Church. We demonstrate our commitment to Jesus and his mission through:

CONVERSION

The individual experience of the saving work of Christ followed by baptism as a believer (Ephesians 2.8-9).

COMMITMENT

The ongoing evidence of a changing life and the pursuit of becoming more like Jesus (2 Peter 3.18).

COMMUNITY

Participation in the body of Christ and connection with others in significant relationships (Acts 2.46) and serving the mission according to spiritual giftedness and passion (Romans 12.6-8).

MATURING

Maintaining a teachable spirit, taking personal responsibility for one's spiritual growth, and submitting to one another and your Elders.

WORSHIP

Regularly gathering together to worship God in song, prayer, and teaching of Scripture.

GIVING

Dedicating and contributing resources to minister to physical and spiritual needs through the local church.

SERVING

Contributing time and talents, actively seeking opportunities to serve God both inside and outside the church.

COMMUNITY

Being involved in life-changing relationships with other believers by participating in fellowship activities (LifeGroups and Bible classes).

By God's leading, I commit to be an active member of the local church community at Sunnybrook. I acknowledge Christ as my Savior and Lord and will live out my commitment to Him through the local church body in the areas of maturing, worship, giving, serving and community. I acknowledge the leadership and authority of the eldership in spiritual matters, including church discipline. I further commit to pray for the health of Sunnybrook as part of the body of Christ, its elders, ministry staff, ministry leaders, and members.

I have given prayerful consideration to what it means to be a member of Sunnybrook and express my commitment to be part of this body until God clearly leads me elsewhere.