Pastor's Marriage Guidelines

Congratulations on your decision to get married. This is a wonderful time for you in your life. These are the guidelines I follow for weddings I am asked to perform. These wedding guidelines are mine. They deal only with my requirements for performing your wedding. Any wedding I perform in the church facilities must also meet the approval of our church leadership and you must be willing to abide by the guidelines for the use of the Church building.

Requirements:

I require a 'get to know you' session. This is a chance for me to get to meet the couple that desires to get married. This is also an opportunity to discuss my requirements in greater detail.

I require that one of you must be biologically male and the other be biologically female.

I require that one or both of you be an active member of Cornerstone Baptist Church or a member of my family directly in order for me to conduct the marriage ceremony.

I also require at least three months advance notice of the wedding date to have adequate time to schedule counseling sessions.

I require a session to review and coordinate the wedding ceremony.

I do require pre-marital counseling for all couples.

Right of Refusal:

I reserve the right to refuse to perform weddings if either party has been divorced on unscriptural grounds.

I reserve the right to refuse to perform weddings if only one or neither is a professing believer and fully devoted follower of Jesus Christ.

I reserve the right to refuse to perform the wedding if the counseling sessions give me an indication that the plans should be terminated.

I reserve the right to refuse to perform the wedding if the couple does not fulfill their obligation in counseling.

We, _____ and _____

have read and understood the guidelines and agree to follow them as they are written above.

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Minister's Signature Date