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WENTWORTH BAPTIST CHURCH CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led as I believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as my Saviour, and on profession of my faith, having been baptized into the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I do now in the presence of God, angels, and this assembly, most sincerely and joyfully enter into a covenant with you, the fellow members of Wentworth Baptist Church, as one body in Christ.

I am a child of the living God (John 1:12). I am an heir of God and joint heir with Jesus Christ (Romans 8:17). I am a new creation in Jesus, old things are passed away, and all things have become new (2 Corinthians 5:17). I am part of a chosen people, a royal priesthood, and a holy nation (1 Peter 2:9). Therefore, I promise, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to love the Lord my God with all my heart, soul, mind and strength and to love my neighbour as myself (Matthew 22:37–39). And to that end, to uphold others in prayer (Ephesians 6:18), to help those in need, to care for those in sickness and prison (Matthew 25:31–44), to set an example in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity (1 Timothy 4:12), using Jesus as my perfect role model.

My body is the temple of the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 6:19), a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God (Romans 12:1). And to that end, I promise not to use my body in such a way to bring ill-repute to God, the church and my Christian witness. And failing this, to repent and seek forgiveness immediately, with the full knowledge that God is faithful and just to cleanse me from all my wrong doings (1 John 1:9).

I will stand firm in the truth with which Christ has set me free (Galatians 5:1). I am an overcomer and can do all things through Christ who strengthens me (Philippians 4:13). And to that end, I promise to build myself up in my faith (Jude 20) through personal and group study and prayer (Hebrews 10:25), talking about these things with my family and friends, morning and evening, at home and at work (Deuteronomy 6:7); to seek the salvation of my family, friends and acquaintances; to find ways in which I can serve my neighbours, whether in the church or in the wider community; to worship with and financially support my church family and community as is possible and, when not possible, to join with another community of believers, where I will carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's word.