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**Perspective Church Membership Interview Form**

We are excited about the possibilities of your involvement in the ministry at ECC. As a leader or minister at ECC you will have an opportunity to impact the lives of many here and in the community. Unfortunately, we live in a sinful and broken world and the church is not exempt from these issues. We seek with God’s provision to provide a Christ-honoring place for families, children, single adults and married couples. We desire that our focus be Christ and His Kingdom. Since every believer is a minister (1 Peter 4:10), we desire that you will identify with our Biblical philosophy of ministry. We seek to make sure God is moving in your life to have you team up with us. This application will help in this process, and we thank you for being willing to fill this out.

Date:

**Applicant Information**

Name: Birth Date:

Address:

Home Phone: Cell Phone:

Occupation:

Work Phone: Email:

Best time to call?

Married: Yes No Wedding Date:

Divorced: Yes No Date of Divorce:

Are you presently living with anyone other than a spouse? Please explain.

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Children

Name 1: Birth Date: Notes:

Name 2: Birth Date: Notes:

Name 3: Birth Date: Notes:

Name 4: Birth Date: Notes:

Do you have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ? Yes No (not yet)

What is your understanding of the Gospel?

Briefly explain who Jesus is to you and how you came to believe in Him:

Have you been baptized as a believer by immersion – not sprinkling Yes No

Date & Location:

As a perspective member at ECC, I understand and agree with the following:

* Jesus Christ died for my sins, resurrected from the dead and He is my Lord and Savior. Salvation is by grace alone, by faith alone and in Christ alone.
* Every believer is called to live a holy life with the power of the Holy Spirit.
* Virgin Birth is a necessity to our faith
* Eternal Security of a true believer
* Believer’s Baptism (preferably immersion)
* The Bible is the inspired and infallible written Word of God
* The Trinity consists of:
  + 1. God the Father
    2. Jesus Christ, God’s only begotten Son
    3. Holy Spirit, who lives in every true believer
* The imminent return of Jesus Christ
* The priesthood of the believer (that every believer has direct access to God and equal value to God)
* Equal value and yet different roles for every believer (Men are called the be the Pastors, Elders and servant leaders of each local church and in their home)

Do you attend regularly? (Two or more Sundays per month) Yes No

How were you introduced to our Church?

When did you start attending?

What led you to ECC?

Previous Church Membership:

List any leadership/serving experience you have had in previous churches:

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Reason you left former church:

Did you have problems with the pastor(s) or staff? If so, please explain:

Are there any common reoccurrences of relational issues in your life we should know about? (Such as anger, problems with authority, being gruff with people, etc):

If so, how are you addressing those issues?

Have you been through prior Church Discipline (asked to leave a church or to stop a sinful pattern of behavior that was hurting the church) Yes No

If Yes, for what reason?

It is our biblical belief based on I John 1:5-8 that all believers in Christ flee from sinful behaviors such as those listed below. Pursuing holiness is not about perfection, but a singleness of desire for holiness (I Peter 1:13). If any of these sins below have been an ongoing problem and you are experiencing difficulty in one or more areas, please schedule a time with a pastor to have a conversation concerning the best way to move forward in your life and ministry. Your answer is not to totally disqualify you as a perspective member, but to reveal areas in your life so that we can put ourselves in the position to offer discipleship and possibly counseling:

* Use of illegal or prescription drugs or excessive alcohol consumption
* A felony or misdemeanor charge in last 12 months
* Physical/verbal abuse
* Recurring lying, deceit or gossip
* Addictive behavior in eating, shopping, or other activities
* Sexual encounter outside of marriage, online encounters or pornography
* Currently living with opposite sex that is not a spouse
* Other ongoing sins that clearly compromise my Christian walk

Would you like to discuss any of the above with a pastor or staff person?

(Yes) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (No need to do so) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Local personal references (must be 18 years old and not related to you)

Name Relationship:

Address: Phone:

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Address: Phone:

Are you interested in a Community Group at this time?

Men \_\_\_\_\_ Women \_\_\_\_\_ Married \_\_\_\_\_ Mixed \_\_\_\_\_\_

If already in a group now, which one?

Sunday Morning Service comments?

Questions you have for us

concerning ECC:

**Staff use only:**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Staff Attending Interview**

Pastor:

Other Staff: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Recommended for ministry: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

**Comments (staff use**):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_