MINISTRY PARTNER COMMITMENT

Ministry Partnership is a commitment to shared values, beliefs, and doctrine as we partner together in our ***mission of making passionate, maturing followers of Jesus from here to the nations.*** Ministry Partners are primarily disciples who follow Jesus, are being changed by Jesus, and on mission with Jesus. Ideally, we are disciples who make disciples and live as Good News People where we live, work, play, and learn.

As Ministry Partners, we receive the blessings of this body while also sharing the responsibilities. We receive care, encouragement, and shepherding, and offer our presence, gifts, resources, and prayers for the building up of this spiritual family. We aim to be spiritual contributors, not spiritual consumers. Together with our family of faith, we joyfully enter into the following affirmations and shared commitments:

COMMITMENT TO SHARED BELIEFS:

- I affirm salvation in Jesus alone and trust Him as Lord and Savior
- I have identified with Jesus through water baptism
- I affirm Bay Area's doctrinal beliefs and related statements of position (abortion + Biblical marriage)
- I affirm / assent to Bay Area's statements of position
- I affirm / assent to Bay Area's mission, vision, values, and philosophy of discipleship

COMMITMENT OF PERSONAL DISCIPLESHIP:

- I am living as a disciple of Jesus as my primary identity
- I am investing in my own spiritual growth through daily Scripture reading, prayer, etc.

COMMITMENT TO SHARED BEHAVIORS:

- I am / commit to faithfully attend Sunday gatherings for worship, teaching, and fellowship
- I am / commit to using my spiritual gifts to serve my church family at a campus or with our local partners
- I am / commit to faithfully give as the Lord leads to advance the mission of Bay Area Community Church
- I am / commit to engaging in spiritual community to gather and grow as a disciple
- I am / commit to living as a good news person locally and / or globally

COMMITMENT TO SHEPHERDING AND ACCOUNTABILITY:

- I agree to follow and submit to the Elders leadership and direction and abide by Bay Area Community Church's policy on discipline for its Ministry Partners.
- I commit to responding to my Shepherding Elder when he initiates contact with me throughout the year and if I have any concerns or questions to contact my Shepherding Elder.
- I commit to revisiting this commitment every two years as part of an bi-annual check in for continuing Ministry Partners. If I feel led to attend another church, I commit to sharing this information with my Elder or a Staff Leader.

OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU

As an Elder of Bay Area Community Church, we commit, with God's help, to shepherd our church family with humility and love. We commit to praying for you (and your family) and to be in regular contact with you over the course of two years to offer spiritual care, guidance, and answer any questions/concerns if needed. We commit to modeling Christlike character, pursue unity, listen well, and lead as a servant. We commit to serving as a model ministry partner and embracing these shared commitments. Together, we desire to nurture a healthy, Spirit-led church where every disciple is encouraged and equipped to follow Jesus and help others do the same.




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