



NORTH DALLAS  
COMMUNITY  
BIBLE FELLOWSHIP

# 2020

## NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION PARTICIPANT GUIDEBOOK

"Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good work, and glorify your Father who is in heaven"

-Matthew 5:16



### **Welcome Song**

Welcome to North Dallas Community Bible Fellowship  
We are so glad you are here  
Our Mission  
Connect people to God  
Connect people to Others  
Connect people to Ministry  
And Connect people to the Lost  
Welcome to North Dallas Community Bible Fellowship  
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### **Salt and Light**

Jesus said we are salt and light  
To season man's soul with God's Word  
And to light the sinner's path  
To the feet of Jesus  
Yes, we are the salt and light  
Salt and light, salt and light  
We must be what God desires,  
Salt and light, salt and light, salt and light  
Jesus said we're salt and light  
Go make disciples unto Christ

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Welcome,  
One of the true joys of our lives as believers is to discover that God created us to worship and serve Him in the context of community.

We welcome you to the NDCBF Community. We encourage you to become everything God has called you to be as you enjoy the fellowship of other believers who are committed to becoming salt and light for the glory of God.

*NDCBF Elder Board*

# Our Vision

## OUR VISION

A vision is a clear, common, compelling picture of God's future for this church as we believe it can and it must be.

### **Our vision is: "To Be Salt and Light"**

"To empower each member to impact their sphere of influence by doing the work of Christ"

We will prevail by:

- Constantly praying and depending upon the provision of God
- Consistently teaching the Word of God with passion and clarity
- Compassionately caring for lost and hurting souls
- Conspicuously living out our faith in our everyday lives
- Creatively strengthening families connected to the church
- Cooperatively replicating like-minded churches in communities at home and abroad.

## OUR MISSION

The mission dictates the ministry's direction, formulates its function and provides boundaries for decision making. The mission also inspires unity and shapes the strategy. The mission simply states what God wants the church to accomplish and articulates the vision being accomplished. The mission is the process.

### **Our mission is: "To Make Disciples"**

"As we go, present the compelling message of the gospel, and equip all who would believe that they would be conformed to the image of Christ (7 Pillars)"

## OUR CORE VALUES

At North Dallas Community Bible Fellowship we are committed to the following core values which shape and drive our ministry: We believe God's standard for His church is holiness. As a community of believers, we uphold God's standard by being consistent in our behavior both privately and publicly. God's Word will always direct the way we conduct ourselves morally, socially and financially. We are accountable to our members and the community and we believe in holding those who have partnered with us accountable as well. "But the goal of our instruction is love from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith." (1 Timothy 1:5) The heart of our ministry is built on the following core values:

**Christ Centered** – Our faith is centered on Christ and therefore, (Col. 1:28) "We proclaim Him, admonishing every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, so that we may present every man complete in Christ." (Col. 2:2) "That their

hearts may be encouraged, having been knit together in love, and attaining to all the wealth that comes from the full assurance of understanding, resulting in a true knowledge of God's mystery, that is, Christ Himself." (Col. 2:6) "Therefore as you have received Christ Jesus as Lord, so walk in Him."

**Authority of Scripture** – Our doctrine is grounded in Scripture knowing that, (2 Tim. 3:16) "All Scripture is inspired and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness." (Ps. 119:105) "Thy word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." (Heb. 4:12) "For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart."

**Genuine Love** – Our hope is built on the love of Christ therefore, (1 Cor. 16:14) "Let all that you do be done in love." (1 Cor. 13:4) "Love is patient, love is kind and is not jealous; love does not brag and is not arrogant." (1 Jn. 4:16) "We have come to know and have believed the love which God has for us. God is love, and the one who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him."

**Unity** – Our relationship to Christ is demonstrated through our relationships with each other therefore, (Eph. 4:1–3) "I ... implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in love, being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace."

**Service** – Our work is to glorify Christ therefore, (Eph. 6:7) "With good will render service, as to the Lord, and not to men." (2 Tim. 2:4) "No soldier in active service entangles himself in the affairs of everyday life, so that he may please the one who enlisted him as a soldier."

**Authentic** – Our actions display a genuine relationship to Christ, therefore, (1 Tim. 1:5) "the goal of our instruction is love from a pure heart a good conscience and a sincere faith. (Rom. 12:9) "Let love be without hypocrisy..."

**Integrity** – Our heart is to display the mind of Christ, therefore, (Pro. 2:7) "He stores up sound wisdom for the upright; He is a shield to those who walk in integrity." (Ps. 25:21) "Let integrity and uprightness preserve me, for I wait for You. "preserve me, for I wait for You."

# HOW WE ARE GOVERNED

## Our Elder Board

- 1) Ultimate decision-making responsibility and authority rests with the Elder Board.
- 2) The Board is empowered to delegate authority, but it retains ultimate responsibility for church decisions.
- 3) The Board does not materially participate in the day-to-day operation of the church.
- 4) Sufficient authority is delegated to the Senior Pastor to permit him to lead the Board, the staff and the congregation in the accomplishment of the vision and mission of the church.
- 5) The Board supports the Senior Pastor in the establishment and accomplishment of the vision and mission of the church.
- 6) The Senior Pastor is given sufficient latitude to make decisions, raise and expend funds and make organizational adjustments consistent with his delegated authority and his responsibility to implement the program of the church.
  - a) The Senior Pastor's scope of authority and any limitations are clearly specified.
  - b) The guideline for the Sr. Pastor in making decisions within the scope of his authority will be as follows: If it is not expressly forbidden by Scripture, by Bylaws, by legal statute, by church policy, or by generally accepted codes of conduct, it is permissible.
- 7) The Senior Pastor is accountable to the Board.
- 8) The Board exercises a periodic review function to ensure the integrity of church operations.



# CHURCH DOCTRINE

## **Section 1. The Holy Scriptures**

We believe the Holy Scriptures to be the verbal, inspired Word of God, authoritative, and without error in the original manuscripts. We further believe that the Scriptures of both the Old and New Testaments are designed for our practical instruction in faith and conduct. (II Timothy 3:16-17; II Peter 1:21)

## **Section 2. The Godhead.**

We believe that the Godhead eternally exists in three persons – the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit – and that these three are one God. (Deuteronomy 6:4; Genesis 1:26; Matthew 28:19)

## **Section 3. The Person and Work of the Lord Jesus Christ.**

We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God, came into the world that He might manifest God to men, fulfill prophecy, and become the Redeemer of a lost world. To this end, He was born of the Virgin Mary, received a human body and a sinless human nature without ceasing to be God. (Luke 1:30-35; John 1:1, 14, 18; Hebrews 4:15, Philippians 2:5-11)

We believe that, in infinite love for the lost, He voluntarily accepted His Father's will and became the divinely provided sacrificial Lamb and took away the sins of the world. (Romans 3:25-36; II Corinthians 5:15; Hebrews 10:5-14)

We believe that He arose from the dead in the same body, though glorified, in which He had lived and died and that His resurrected body is the pattern of that body which ultimately will be given to all believers. (John 20:20; Philippians 3:20-21)

We believe that, on departing from the earth, He was accepted by His Father and that His acceptance is a final assurance to us that His redeeming work was perfectly accomplished.

(Hebrews 1:3) We believe that He became Head over all things to the Church which is His body, and in His ministry, He does not cease to intercede and to be an advocate for the saved. (Luke 1:35; I Corinthians 15: 1-3, Ephesians 1:23; Philippians 2:6-8; I Timothy 2:5; I John 2:1-2)

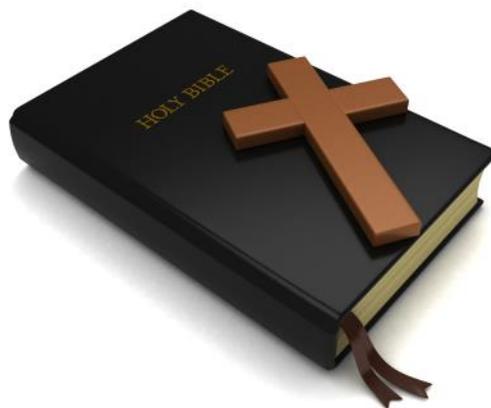
## **Section 4. The Holy Spirit**

We believe that the Holy Spirit, the Third Person of the Trinity, dwells in every believer immediately after he places his faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and God provides, through the Holy Spirit, power to live the Christian life. (Romans 5:5, 8:9-11, Galatians 5:16-25)

We believe that every believer receives grace from God in the form of a spiritual gift, which enables him to function as a member of the body of Christ. (Romans 12:6; I Corinthians 12:7; Ephesians 4:7)

## **Section 5. The Personality of Satan.**

We believe that Satan, the devil, is the prince of demons and is the declared adversary of God and man. However, when the Lord Jesus Christ died on the Cross, He limited the power of the devil and guaranteed the ultimate triumph of God. (Ephesians 2:2; I Peter 5:8; Revelations 20:10; Colossians 2:13-15)



# CHURCH DOCTRINE

## **Section 6 . Salvation.**

We believe that no one can enter the Kingdom of God unless born again spiritually, and that the new birth of the believer comes only through faith in the Lord Jesus, the Son of God. We believe, also, that our redemption has been accomplished by the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ and that this redemption is by the grace of God, an unmerited gift, given in love by God and not the result of any human works. (John 3:7-18; II Corinthians 5:21; Galatians 3:13; Romans 4:4-5)

We believe that upon receiving the Lord Jesus Christ by faith, the believer passes immediately out of spiritual death into spiritual life, and into fellowship with God. (John 1:12, 5:24)

We also believe that once this salvation is accomplished, we and all true believers everywhere shall be kept saved forever. (John 10:28-29; Romans 3:24, 8:35-39; II Timothy 2:11-13; Galatians 2:16; Ephesians 2:5, 8-9)

## **Section 7. The Church**

We believe that all who are united to the risen and ascended Son of God are members of the Church, which is the Body of Christ. (I Corinthians 12:12-27; Acts 2:42-47)

We believe that the explicit message of our Lord Jesus Christ to those whom He has saved is to make Christ known to the whole world and that this is the purpose of the Church through the individuals within it. (Matthew 28:18-19; Acts 1:8; II Corinthians 5:11-21)

We believe that local churches, such as North Dallas Community Bible Fellowship gather together for practical instruction in the Scriptures, for fellowship with God and other believers, and for corporate witness to the unsaved world. Our common spiritual goal is to grow toward Christ.

## **Section 8. The Rapture and Second Coming of Christ**

We believe that a future period of great tribulation on the earth will be climaxed by the return of the Lord Jesus Christ to the earth as He went in person in the clouds with power and great glory to establish His millennial kingdom. But prior to this tribulation, we believe there will be the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ in the air to receive to Himself into Heaven both His own who are alive and remain until His coming also all who have died in Christ. (I Thessalonians 4:13-17; Zechariah 14:4-11; Revelations 3:10)

## **Section 9. Eternal State**

We believe that at death the spirits and souls of those who have trusted in the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation pass immediately into His presence and there remain in conscious bliss until the resurrection of the glorified body when Christ comes for His own, whereupon soul and body reunited shall be associated with Him forever in glory. All those who rejected Jesus Christ will eternally be separated from God to endure His wrath forever. (II Corinthians 5:8; Revelations 20:11-15, 21:1-27).

## **Section 10. The Responsibility of Leaders**

We believe that all believers should seek to walk by the Spirit, separating themselves from world practices and witnessing by life and by the Word to the truths of the Holy Scriptures. (Romans 12; Galatians 5:16, 25; II Corinthians 5:9-17)

We believe that all believers will be judged at the judgment seat of Christ and rewarded based on their faithful obedience to Him in this life. (I Corinthians 3:10-17) Christ's likeness. (Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 2:42-47; Romans 12:5; Ephesians 4:13-16).

# What We Believe

## What The Bible Teaches and What NDCBF Believes About Spiritual Gifts

Every believer is giving a serving gift at the time of his or her salvation. Not every gift is the same and no matter the gift, they have equal prominence or importance in the eyes of the Lord. The Holy Spirit is the One who gives the gifts and sometimes the gift is in the form of gifted people (*Eph. 4*) (*Romans 12:3-8; 1 Corinthians 12:4-11; Ephesians 4:11-13*)

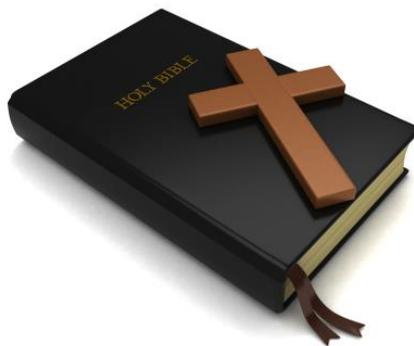
At some point, some gifts will lose their significance and cease to exist or cease to be exercised. Scripture is silent on exactly when this will occur. This cessation of use includes spiritual gifts and gifted people. We do not believe that apostles and prophets in the true biblical sense exist today because of the stringent requirements of Scripture. A true prophet speaks the equivalence of Scripture and an apostle must have seen the risen Christ. (1 Corinthians 13:8)

NDCBF does not teach that tongues have ceased because we do not believe that Scripture specifically and conclusively teaches that tongues have ceased. Neither do we teach that the manifestation of tongues is proof that a believer has received the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit comes as a gift of salvation and indwells the believer at his or her conversion. We do not hold to the concept of a “second blessing (tarrying for the coming of the Holy Spirit) or “speaking in tongues” as evidence of being filled with the Spirit. We do not believe that this teaching is consistent with Scripture.

NDCBF does not permit “speaking in tongues” in the context of public worship or other public gatherings operating under the auspices of the church. If someone gives an utterance of tongues in public, the presiding elder at that gathering has been instructed to wait to see if someone will rise to give a credible interpretation of what has been spoken.

The person giving the interpretation must be known to the church and have credibility that supports the ability to interpret tongues. If no interpretation is given within a “reasonable” period of time, the speaker will be lovingly admonished that he or she is out of order and asked to cease and desist. If no further outbursts are given, the matter is closed. If the speaker continues, they will be asked to leave the sanctuary. This procedure is covered in 1 Corinthians 14: 26-28)

This is not to be interpreted as the comprehensive teaching of the church on the matter of spiritual gifts.



# What We Believe

## What The Bible Teaches and What NDCBF Believes About Women In Ministry

The issue of the place of women in ministry in the church, both universal and local, has been a much-debated topic within evangelical Christianity for years. The debate continues today among highly respected theologians. The purpose of this document is to state the position of the elders of North Dallas Community Bible Fellowship regarding this issue and the resulting impact on the acceptable teachings and practice within our local church.

As a basis for our approach to this issue (and other potentially divisive issues which have both doctrinal and practical implications for the church), we rely primarily on three core beliefs:

The inerrancy of Scripture and its authority in our lives and in the conduct of all church affairs. We seek to understand our culture and world through the truth of Scripture, and we seek to guard against viewing Scriptural truth through the lens of our culture. Colossians 2:8 instructs us to “see to it that you are not taken captive by hollow and deceptive philosophies which depend on the tradition of men and the elementary principles of the world, rather than on Christ.”

Unity in the body of Christ. Within the bounds of devotion to the authority of Scripture, we believe that believers should seek to be respectful and considerate of each other when we arrive at different understandings of non-essential Scriptural teaching. There are essential core doctrines of the faith which are clear in Scripture to which all of biblical evangelical Christianity must adhere (i.e. authority of Scripture, Deity of Christ, salvation by grace alone, and others).

There are other issues on which Scripture is less clear, and as a result, sincere and diligent believers end up with differing understandings (i.e. the use of sign gifts, the mode of baptism, the timing of Christ’s return, even the style of musical worship). Satan wishes to divide us on these secondary issues to prevent us from focusing on our mission and to damage our witness to the world. God wishes us to love, nurture, and edify each other to His glory and as a witness to a lost world.

Stewardship of the gifts that God has given each of us, including our time and our abilities. We believe it would be wrong to hinder any believer from utilizing his or her gifts to the glory of God. God can accomplish whatever he wants without us, but he has called each of us to a special purpose. As leaders in the church, the elders believe we should

not only eliminate unnecessary impediments to each person’s exercising his or her gifts, we also should proactively develop and encourage each person in using their gifts in active ministry.

Within biblical evangelical Christianity there is a spectrum of opinions on gender issues within the church, the family, and creation in general. The elders of NDCBF believe that the position we take on women in ministry has real implications for our lives at home, in the church and in society. We have taken this position based upon our collective understanding of the Scriptures. We summarize these positions as follows:

The oversight of North Dallas Community Bible Fellowship resides in a board of elders composed of men meeting the Scriptural qualification of elders.

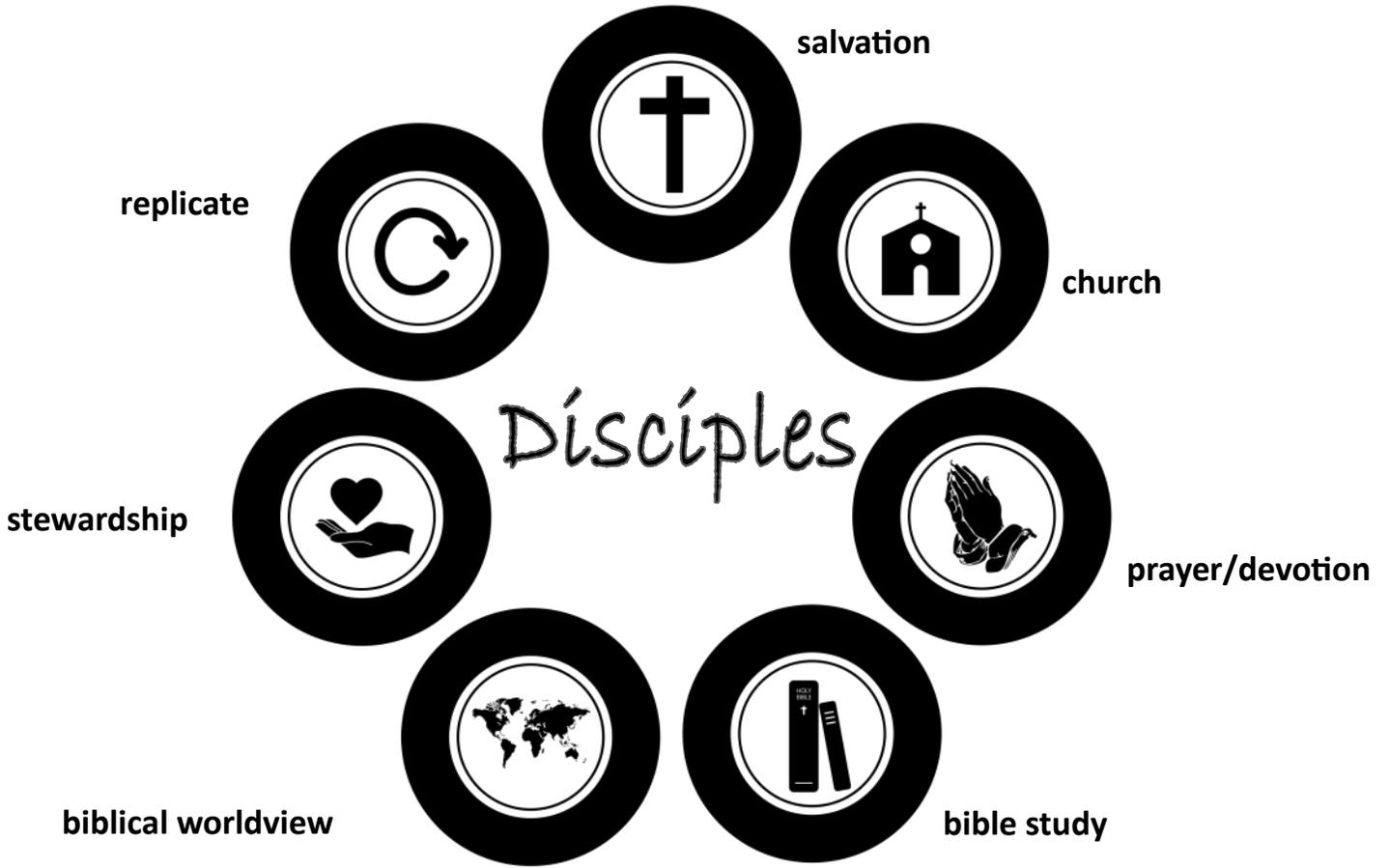
The Senior Pastor, who provides senior leadership to the board and the staff, and who is responsible for the primary preaching ministry of the church, and who also serves as elder, shall be a man.

All other lay, pastoral, and staff leadership positions shall be assigned to gifted men and women who are called and gifted to serve, without exception.

Teaching is a greatly valued gift that is given by Christ, through the Holy Spirit, to both men and women. All gifted teachers shall be encouraged and mobilized to teach in any setting with the exception of the Sunday morning service, according to their giftedness, and as agreed to by the board.

Only men may be called to perform preaching and teaching roles in the Sunday worship services, except in instances where those gathered are all women or children. In these settings, women may be called to serve. These individuals may be drawn from the staff as well as a group of other gifted preachers and teachers from inside and outside of NDCBF.

# Center for Christian Development



## Seven Pillars of Discipleship

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# Center for Christian Development

**Purpose: Deuteronomy 6 (Shema)**

To impress the love of God and the love of others on the hearts and minds of each generation and equip others to do the same.

**Goal:** To address the spiritual development of each member from childhood to adulthood through our Center for Christian Development (CCD).

To view a full listing of our classes and bible studies  
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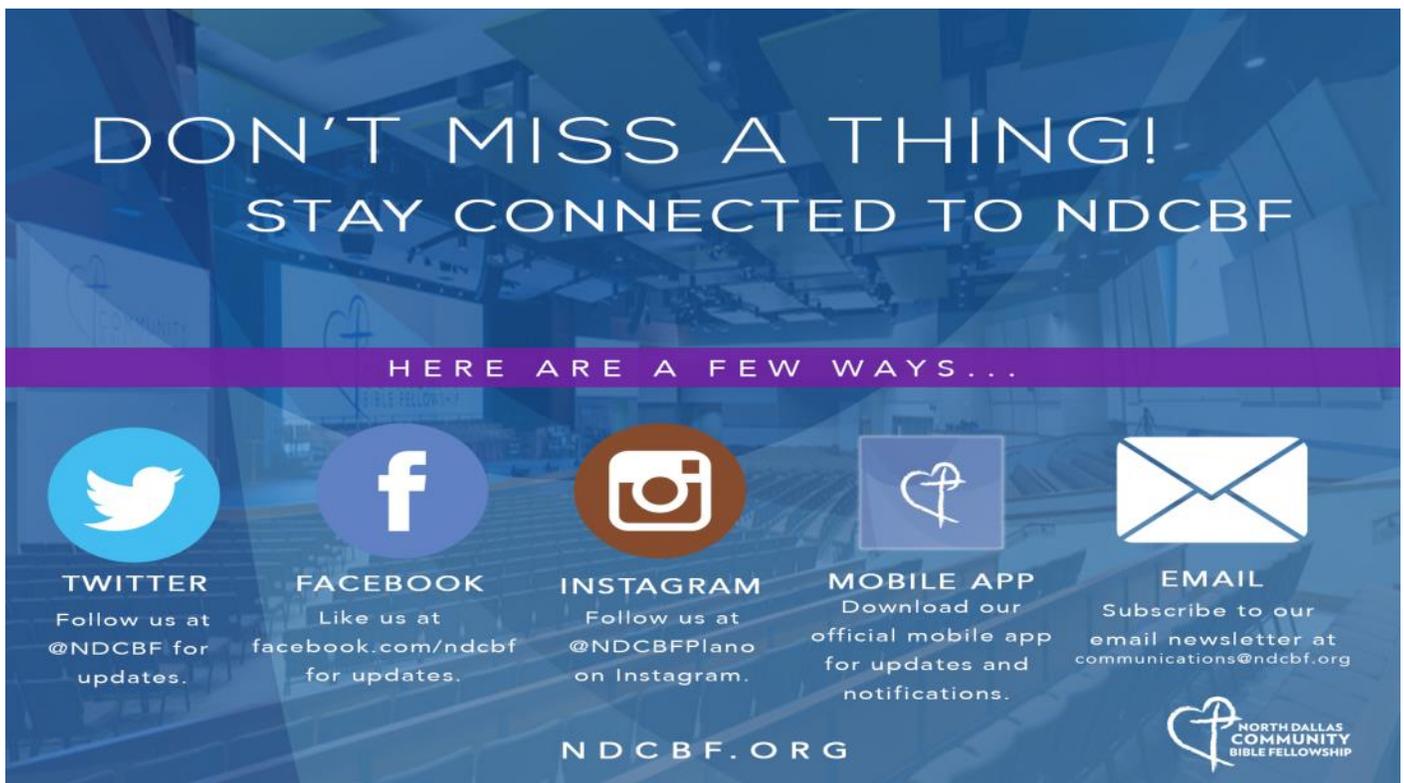
**We offer members of North Dallas Community Bible Fellowship free access to Right Now Media, an online church video library. Essentially, it's a Netflix for Bible studies with videos for kids, students, singles, parents and married couples. All the content can be accessed from a phone, tablet, computer or television. To request an account, visit [NDCBF.org/RightNowMedia](http://NDCBF.org/RightNowMedia).**

# CHURCH COMMUNICATION

## NDCBF Web Site Scavenger Hunt

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| 1. List four key dates of NDCBF history.                               | 1. _____  |
| 2. Describe the online giving process                                  | 2. _____  |
| 3. Where can you update your mailing address and personal information? | 3. _____  |
| 4. List 5 ways the church announces events or Activities.              | 4. _____  |
| 5. What information can be found on the NDCBF App?                     | 5. _____  |
| 6. Who do you contact for information on joining the choir?            | 6. _____  |
| 7. Where can I find recorded Sunday sermons?                           | 7. _____  |
| 8. Where can I view the weekly bulletin on the NDCBF website?          | 8. _____  |
| 9. How can I discover my Spiritual Gifts?                              | 9. _____  |
| 10. How Can I connect to my Cluster                                    | _____     |
| 11. Where Can I view Counseling Services                               | 10. _____ |

## NDCBF Media & More



**DON'T MISS A THING!**  
**STAY CONNECTED TO NDCBF**

HERE ARE A FEW WAYS...

 <b>TWITTER</b> Follow us at @NDCBF for updates.	 <b>FACEBOOK</b> Like us at facebook.com/ndcbf for updates.	 <b>INSTAGRAM</b> Follow us at @NDCBFPlano on Instagram.	 <b>MOBILE APP</b> Download our official mobile app for updates and notifications.	 <b>EMAIL</b> Subscribe to our email newsletter at communications@ndcbf.org
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# CHURCH COMMUNICATION

## Church Bulletin

### D-in 10-15

D in 10 is a simple devotion that can be done by an individual or a family in about 10-15 minutes. Note: the book of Proverbs should always be part of your daily reading; this week's devotion is based on the book of Proverbs and different books of the Bible. As you encounter each verse let your heart dwell on its implications to your life.

1. Pray before you begin (1 min)
2. Begin by singing the selected song (2 min)
3. Next, read the selected Scripture (1 min)
4. Next, meditate on the implications of the Scripture (5 min)
5. Next, pray the selected Scripture (1 min)
6. End by singing the song again (3 min)

Proverbs 3 Genesis 1	Monday, February 3	Google Lyrics: "Thank You Lord" Don Moen
Proverbs 4 Exodus 1	Tuesday, February 4	Google Lyrics: "Thank You Lord" Fred Hammond
Proverbs 5 Leviticus 1	Wednesday, February 5	Google Lyrics: "Thank You" Richard Smallwood
Proverbs 6 Numbers 1	Thursday, February 6	Google Lyrics: "Thank You Lord" Israel & New Breed
Proverbs 7 Deuteronomy 1	Friday, February 7	Google Lyrics: "Thank You" Mary Mary & Kirk Franklin
Proverbs 8 Joshua 1	Saturday, February 8	Google Lyrics: "Thank You Jesus" Hillsong Worship
Proverbs 9	Sunday, February 9	Google Lyrics: "Thank You Lord" Fred Hammond

### Wednesday Night Bible Study | February 5, 2020

#### How Should We Now Think? A Walk Through the Book of Romans

"As a man thinks, so is he." With this being the truth of Scripture, as believers we must then ask ourselves, "what are we thinking, and who are we, based on our thoughts?" If our thoughts are not lining up with the word of God then our thoughts are of the world, the flesh, or the devil. As believers in Christ Jesus we have to make a decision every day to think on what is right. Come and join us as we discuss the importance of thought and the effects of negative thoughts on the life of the believer. If you are struggling with a thought process in life and seems like you cannot get rid of it come and discover how to train your mind to think biblically that your conduct would then be that which brings glory to God. Come join us this Wednesday as we begin our study through the book of Romans. Come prepared to study to show yourself approved as a workman who need not be ashamed rightly dividing the word.

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# WHEN GOD MOVES»»»

When God Moves  
Part 1: God's Choice, God's Calling  
February 2, 2020  
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### When God Moves | Part 1: God's Choice, God's Calling Dr. Terren Dames February 2, 2020

#### God's Choice, God's Calling Genesis 12:1-3

God called a man who did not know him, yet the man answered. God gave this man instructions to leave everything he knew, yet the man obeyed. God made a promise to this man and God kept it, even when this man failed. God delivered this man when he did not deserve it, and the man thanked God for it. God blessed this man repeatedly even though the man did not ask for it and again the man thanked God for it. This man was a just man, because God justified him not because he was just within himself, and the man recognized it. The man would be called a friend of God because God befriended him first. This is the story of that man, that woman, the called one, this is the story of the life of all God's children.

1. When God moves, \_\_\_\_\_
2. When God moves, \_\_\_\_\_
3. When God moves, \_\_\_\_\_
4. When God moves, \_\_\_\_\_
5. When God moves, \_\_\_\_\_

Scripture Memory Verse  
Genesis 12:2-3

### CONNECT

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CONNECT TO GOD | CONNECT TO OTHERS | CONNECT TO MINISTRY | CONNECT TO THE LOST

**THE GATHERING**  
CORPORATE WELFARE FRANCHISE PRIZE  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH  
10am-12pm

It is a wonderful experience and a powerful privilege to come together to pray and trust in the power of God to create a lasting impact in our lives, our church, and our world. Once a quarter we gather as a church family for a time of prayer and praise we call The Gathering. On Saturday, February 8th we will meet in the Worship Center at 9am. We hope you will join us as we pursue God's presence, experience His power and embrace His plan!

**STOP THE MONEY GAME**  
visit [NDCBF.org/FPU](http://NDCBF.org/FPU) for more information | Classes begin FEBRUARY 8TH!

It's time to stop worrying about money! The nine-lesson Financial Peace University (FPU) course is the proven plan to help you keep a budget, beat debt, and build wealth! Dave Ramsey and his team of financial experts teaches every lesson with biblical wisdom, and you'll get support and encouragement along the way. Classes begin on Saturday, February 8th at 10am. Register today at [NDCBF.org/FPU](http://NDCBF.org/FPU).

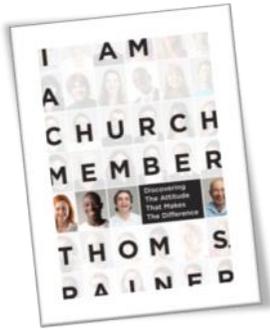
**FELLOWSHIP MEAL**  
Every 2nd Sunday at 5:30pm  
Gather your family as we come together with our church family for a special gathering over a meal every 2nd Sunday.  
We will celebrate with the Lord's Supper, Baptism and fellowship with each other over a meal. Each family is asked to bring a meal to feed your family. Food will not be provided.  
TO RSVP AND TO LEARN MORE VISIT [NDCBF.org/FELLOWSHIP](http://NDCBF.org/FELLOWSHIP)

Every 2nd Sunday we gather at 5:30pm for our monthly Fellowship Meal. This is a great opportunity to fellowship with others in the NDCBF family, enjoy a delicious meal and celebrate with the Lord's Supper and Baptism. Each family is asked to bring a meal to feed your family. You may bring any meal you wish as long as it doesn't contain pork. This month we will fellowship on next Sunday, February 9th in the Atrium. We ask that you RSVP at [NDCBF.org/FellowshipMeal](http://NDCBF.org/FellowshipMeal) if you plan to come, this way we can prepare and setup an accurate amount of tables of chairs to serve you better.

**FEBRUARY IS HEART HEALTH and SMOKING CESSATION AWARENESS month**  
WEAR RED ON FEBRUARY 2020

Heart disease is the leading cause of death for men and women in the United States. The good news? Heart disease can often be prevented when people make healthy choices and manage their health conditions. February is heart health and smoking cessation awareness month. Next Sunday join us in wearing red and spreading the word about preventing this disease. Members from our Medical Emergency Response Team will be in the atrium before and after service with resources!

# I AM A CHURCH MEMBER



## The Journey

Join me on this journey or re-discovering the privilege and the joy of church membership. And before you get too caught up in the meaning of church membership, take time to read the brief chapters in the book, *I Am A Church Member*, by Thom S. Rainer. Let us then take six steps carefully and prayerfully. And at the end of each step, let us be willing to make a commitment, a real commitment to our church.

Available at:

[www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com)

[www.christianbook.com](http://www.christianbook.com)

### Chapter 2 I Will be a Unifying Church Member

Study Question 3, page 19

Key Points:

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### Chapter 3 I Will Not Let the Church Be about My Preferences and Desire.

Study Question 2, page 31

Key Points:

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### Chapter 4 I Will Pray for My Church Leaders

Study Question 2, page 42

Key Points:

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# I AM A CHURCH MEMBER

Chapter 5    **I Will Lead My Family to Be Healthy Church Members**

Study Question 1, page 52

Key Points:

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Chapter 1    **I Will be a Functioning Member**

Study Question 1, page 64

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Chapter 6    **I Will Treasure Church Membership**

Study Question 1, page 76

Key Points

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# GIFT ASSESSMENT



There are so many ways to be active in ministry—both in this church and in our communities—that it can be hard to know where we might best plug in. Should you volunteer as a Sunday School teacher? A committee member or chair? A mentor at a school or with youth? Would you prefer to sing in the choir? Pray (or cook!) for those in crisis? Thankfully, as individuals we don't have to do it all! God made each of us unique, with particular gifts, to be powerful ministers in our own way, intending that when we work together our efforts to share God's love with the world are rich and full. In this series we will explore what Spiritual Gifts are and how they are defined in scripture; evaluate which gifts we have individually, and the ministries best supported by those gifts; and discuss how the faithful use of our gifts in these ministries empowers us to live fully into our calling as disciples—united together in the one body of Christ.

Download a copy of the YOUUnique Gift Assessment at [www.ndcbf.org/newmember](http://www.ndcbf.org/newmember)

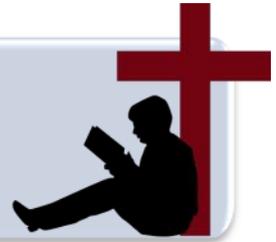




# CHURCH MINISTRIES

## Connect to God

- Christian Education & Learning
- Equipping



## Connect to Others

- Fellowship
- Worship
- Community Clusters
- Member Services



## Connect to Ministry

- Student Ministries
- Support Ministries
- Adult Ministries



## Connect to the Lost

- Missions
- Outreach



# CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

## NDCBF CHURCH DISCIPLINE POLICY

The goal of the leadership of NDCBF is to biblically train and disciple the flock. This includes challenging its membership to live holy, self-disciplined and Christ-pleasing lives (1 Peter 1:14-16). Therefore, any member found to be persistently engaged in a lifestyle of gross sin; or who is willfully unrepentant concerning recent sins shall be subject to formal disciplinary measures.

The process of church discipline, instituted by our Savior (Mt. 18:15-20), has as its goal the restoration of the believer to fellowship. It is essentially a four-step, escalating process (outlined below) that begins informally, but may ultimately lead to the formal disfellowshipping of an unrepentant member. Church discipline is the responsibility of all believers, not simply the prerogative of those in leadership. Each step of the process should be administered in an attitude of love, concern, and caution (Gal. 6:1).

Every candidate for church membership will be instructed concerning this policy as part of their orientation and required to sign a covenant agreeing to submit to the church's authority in all such matters. Refusal to sign this covenant may remove the candidate from consideration for formal membership.

### **Stage 1**

PRIVATE REPROOF  
(Mt 18:15)

### **Stage 2**

GROUP CONFRONTATION  
(Mt 18:16)

### **Stage 3**

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION  
(Mt 18:17a)

### **Stage 4**

CHURCH-WIDE OSTRACISM  
(Mt 18:17b)



# MEMBER CARE & COMFORT

**Goal:** NDCBF Member Care and Comfort exists to provide physical, emotional, and spiritual assistance to the congregation.

*<sup>25</sup>So that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. <sup>26</sup>And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it.*

1 Corinthians 12:25 –26

## Care Programs

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# CLUSTERS



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Local Connection

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Life Connection

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Fellowship Connection

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Join Your Cluster by visiting [ndcbf.org/clusters](http://ndcbf.org/clusters).



Master Plan Rendering with all phases completed



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