

## RMFBC COVENANT OF MEMBERSHIP

This Covenant of Membership is Article 3 from the Constitution of Rock Mills Fellowship Baptist Church

**Section 1:** At the reception of new members, they shall be required, along with all members present, to openly enter into the following covenant:

**Section 2:** We do, in the presence of men, confess Christ as our Saviour and Lord; and do heartily give ourselves to His service, and take His word as the rule of our lives. And having been united by faith to Him; and have, on confession of that faith been baptized in the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Ghost, we do now as a Church of Christ, humbly relying on His grace, unite with one another in this covenant.

**Section 3:** We shall habitually observe secret prayer and the reading of the Scriptures, earnestly seeking therein the help of the Holy Spirit.

**Section 4:** We, who are the head of families, shall maintain the worship of God in our homes, and shall endeavour to lead our children, or others committed to our charge, to faith in Christ and to the Christian life.

**Section 5:** We shall attend regularly, as far as providence will permit, the public worship of God on the Lord's Day, and such other meeting for worship as the church may appoint, and we shall faithfully observe together the ordinance of the Lord's Supper.

**Section 6:** We shall walk together in brotherly love, with Christian sympathy and kindness, and shall tenderly and faithfully admonish and help one another as may be needful. We shall not bring to the church a complaint against any member or offence until we have taken the first and second steps pointed out by Christ "Matthew 18:15-17", thus endeavouring to settle all private offences without publicity.

**Section 7:** We shall aid, as the Lord prospers us, in supporting this church by contributing cheerfully and regularly to its ministry and general expenses, thus making possible the maintenance of the work of the Lord, and the spread of the gospel to the world.

**Section 8:** We shall seek by example and word to lead men to Christ, and we shall endeavour to live soberly and righteously and Godly in the present world abstaining from whatever is not becoming in the Christian character; and as baptism signifies

our death to sin and resurrection to holiness, so we shall seek to walk in newness of life.

**Section 9:** We moreover engage that when we remove from this place, we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God' Word.