

COVENANT OF *Commitment*

On this twenty-first anniversary, it is important that we reaffirm our commitment to our church's ministry. In reading this covenant of commitment, let us give ourselves anew to the high and holy calling of modeling these words in a world that is increasingly more in need of truth, forgiveness, love, and grace.

congregation

We, the congregation of Stonebriar Community Church in Frisco, Texas, are committed to the essential calling and tasks of a local church, as set forth in the Holy Scriptures. Our commitment is firm and sure, unchanged by the passing of time and unthreatened by the swelling tide of human opinion.

—pastor—

These buildings have been erected to the glory of God. Everything that occurs within these walls is to be done for His greater glory. We declare this to be our essential goal as an assembly of Christians.

congregation

We commit ourselves to the glory of God.

—pastor—

The proclamation of our message will continue to rest on the infallible Bible. We openly declare our complete trust in its truths, our confidence in its commands, and our hope in its promises. Without reservation, we embrace the Bible as our inerrant guide in faith and practice.

congregation

We commit ourselves to the inspired Word of God.

—pastor—

Since our inception, the Person of the Lord Jesus Christ has been preeminent. We shall continue to acknowledge Him as the Lord of the church, deserving of our unreserved devotion, obedience, and praise.

congregation

We commit ourselves to the exaltation of the Person of Jesus Christ, the Lord of the church.

—pastor—

As believers in the Lord Jesus Christ, we shall meet regularly in these rooms for worship, instruction, fellowship, and expression. Our desire is to sustain these priorities through the energizing work of the Holy Spirit so that the lost are made aware of the Good News of our Savior, as well as our Christian witness, and the saved are equipped to live authentic, pure lives, both within and outside these walls. We also commit ourselves to the vision of reaching the whole world and to God's plan for raising up workers for His world mission program.

congregation

We commit ourselves to the evangelizing of the lost and the equipping of the saved.

—pastor—

This place will continue to be dedicated to helping the hurting, encouraging the discouraged, assisting the anguished, and ministering to the sick, the disabled, the aged, the outcast, the abused, the grieving, and the dying. We shall neither lose our compassion nor conduct ourselves in pride as we open our arms to those who turn to us for strength and counsel. We shall guard ourselves against complacency and indifference. We understand that we are to be more willing to give than receive, to accept rather than reject, to love and nurture the needy, rather than judge and show preferential treatment to a select few.

congregation

We commit ourselves to an unselfish, compassionate ministry, realizing that we, too, need others to assist us when we hurt.

—pastor—

Because we are serving Christ in a day of eroding values, we publicly declare our commitment to this nation we love, to the preservation of human life, to the support of marriage and marital fidelity, to the home and family unit, to the distinct biblical roles of husbands and wives, fathers and mothers, and children. With equal vigor, we commit ourselves to ministering to adults of all ages, to single persons, to single parents, to collegians, to the youth, and to the children as well. It is our firm conviction that this local body be a place that holds high the dignity of each individual as we hold forth the unchanging principles of scriptural truth.

congregation

We commit ourselves to these essential ministries in an eroding society.

—pastor—

As we carry out these commitments, we confess our own humanity. Being imperfect creatures with depraved natures, we realize that our dependence on our God must be total, not partial. We, therefore, commit ourselves to keeping the unity in this congregation, to the discipline of prevailing prayer, and to the filling of the Holy Spirit. We are committed to the financial support of this ministry and to a spirit of humility, transparency, love, mercy, and grace as our Lord Jesus Christ demonstrated during His earthly life.

congregation

We commit ourselves to a life of dependence on God as we carry out His will in and through us.

in unison

These commitments we make to the glory and praise of our God, in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.