



Application for Membership

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Date: _____

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: Street _____ City _____ Zip _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____ Cell Phone: (_____) _____

E-mail address: _____

MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATIONS

Welcome to King's Way, and thank you for your interest in church membership! As a church, we believe being a part of a body of believers is essential to spiritual growth, and we are thankful that you have become a part of our spiritual body. Membership at King's Way is a sign of commitment to be a part of our family. Active voting membership in this assembly shall be open to all those who possess the following qualifications:

- A testimony to having made Jesus Lord of their lives.
- Baptized in water.
- Evidence of a consistent Christian life.
- An indication of a willingness to contribute regularly to the financial support of this church.
- Acceptance of our sixteen fundamental truths.
- At least 18 years of age.
- Regular attendance and support of this assembly for a period of at least three (3) consecutive months prior to the date of application for membership.
- Agreement to being governed by the constitution and bylaws of this assembly.

Did you attend church before coming to King's Way? Yes _____ No _____ Please list church name, location, and denomination.

May we use the leadership of your prior church as personal references regarding your membership at King's Way?

Yes _____ No _____ If No, please explain. _____

Have you accepted Jesus Christ as your personal savior? Yes _____ No _____ If so, when and where? _____

Have you been baptized in water? Yes _____ No _____ (If yes, by what means: immersion, infant, sprinkled) _____

Please read our sixteen core doctrines at the end of this document. Do you agree to be governed by these doctrinal truths?

Yes _____ No _____ If No, please explain. _____

Will you, if you do not already, begin to support your church body financially, in obedience to God's Word, with your tithe and offerings? Yes _____ No _____ If No, please explain. _____

Will you regularly attend the services of this church body? Yes _____ No _____ If No, please explain. _____

REGARDING FURTHER MINISTRY LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

To what extent have you been involved in ministry? _____

Are you willing to use your talents and abilities in this local church? Yes _____ No _____ If so, list the areas you feel you could be of help to this church. _____

Do you support Pastor Jeff and his vision and direction for the ministries of King's Way? Yes _____ No _____

Comments: _____

We are open to suggestions of how we can improve our ministry. What areas have you thought of that could bring further strength to our church and ministry? _____

GENERAL INFORMATION

What are your hobbies, interests? _____

Place of employment _____ Title _____

Hometown (where you grew up) _____ City _____ State _____

Children

Name	Age	Name	Age
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
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APPLICANTS STATEMENT

It is my desire, by the grace of God, to live a holy life before God and men by daily submitting my attitudes, speech, and behavior to the control of the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5:16-26; Titus 2:12; Ephesians 4:29-32; Romans 5:5-8; 12:1,2).

I solemnly promise, with the help of the Holy Spirit, that I will demonstrate love towards others in this fellowship through regular attendance, and by using my gifts and abilities to minister to others by remembering them in prayer, and by comforting them in sickness and distress. I will be slow to take offense, ready for reconciliation, and quick to forgive, just as God has forgiven me through Jesus Christ. I pledge that I will not gossip about others, striving to maintain unity and love in the body of Christ.

I agree to be governed by the Word of God and the doctrines of the church, and to support its ministries with my tithes and offerings. I will earnestly and actively try to live a life pleasing to God, so that the Church will be built up and strengthened to the glory of God.

If desiring to be a member of King's Way Assembly, please sign and date:

Signature _____ Date _____

Our Sixteen Core Doctrines

Rupertus Meldenius, a seventeenth-century Lutheran theologian, wrote, "In essentials unity, in non-essentials liberty, in all things charity." There will always be peripheral doctrines upon which Biblically rooted and committed Christ followers disagree, and we welcome dialogue on many issues related to Christian doctrine. However, we recognize the importance of having a framework around which we grow in maturity and relate to one another as a community of believers, and we hold the following essentials to be at the core of who we are as a community of believers.

The Bible is the inspired Word of God.

The Bible, comprised of the sixty-six books of the Old and New Testaments, is inspired by God and is the only authoritative written revelation from God to humanity. The Bible is infallible and the trustworthy and reliable rule of faith and conduct (2 Timothy 3:15-17; 1 Thessalonians 2:13; 2 Peter 1:21).

There is one true God.

In the Bible, God is called by many different names because there are different dimensions of His personality, but there is still only one God (Deuteronomy 6:4). God is not limited by time or space and eternally self-existent (John 8:54-59). God is omniscient, omnipresent, and omnipotent. He is the creator of the heavens and the earth (Genesis 1 and 2). While God is one, He has revealed Himself in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:19).

Jesus Christ is the Son of God.

Jesus Christ is the second person of the trinity, the eternal Son of God. The Scripture declares His virgin birth (Matthew 1:18-23), His sinless life (Hebrews 7:26; 1 Peter 2:22; John 3:4-5), His miracles (Acts 2:22, 10:37-38), His substitutionary death on the cross (2 Corinthians 5:21; 1 Peter 2:24; 1 Corinthians 15:4), His bodily resurrection from the dead (Matthew 28:1-6; 1 Corinthians 15:4), and His exaltation to the right hand of God (Acts 1:9, 11; Philippians 2:9-11).

Sin separated humanity from God.

Man was created in the image of God (Genesis 1:26). However, by a voluntary act of the will, Adam and Eve disobeyed God (Genesis 3:6). That first sin had several repercussions. Man was kicked out of the Garden of Eden (Genesis 3:23), a curse was pronounced (Genesis 3:14-19), the process of physical death began (Genesis 2:17), and man died spiritually (Romans 5:12-19). Sin separated humanity from God (Ephesians 2:11-18) and left humanity in a fallen, or sinful, condition (Romans 3:23).

Jesus Christ is the only means of salvation.

The only means of salvation is Jesus Christ (Acts 4:12; John 14:6). He died on the cross to pay the penalty for our sins (1 Peter 2:24). When we trade our sin for his righteousness, it triggers a spiritual chain reaction. Jesus pardons us from our sins and adopts us into God's family. The Holy Spirit is given to us to guide, comfort, convict, and help us grow to look more like Jesus. Jesus offers people a pardon from their sins (Hebrews 9:26) and adopts us into God's family (John 1:12).

When we place our faith in Christ, it triggers a spiritual chain reaction. We become the temple of the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 6:19), our names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life (Revelation 3:5), we become citizens of Heaven (Philippians 3:20-21), and we are given eternal life (John 3:16). We are born again (John 3:3). God takes ownership of us (1 Corinthians 6:20) and we receive an eternal inheritance (Ephesians 1:13-14; 1 Peter 1:3-5).

The evidence of salvation is two-fold. The internal evidence is the direct witness of the Holy Spirit (Romans 8:16). The external evidence is the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23). We become a new creation (2 Corinthians 5:17) and we are transformed into the image of Christ (2 Corinthians 3:18).

The Ordinances of the Church

A) Baptism in Water

The Scripture teaches that all who repent and believe in Christ are to be baptized by being immersed in water (Matthew 28:19). Baptism is a public profession of faith in Christ. It is symbolic of the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ, and it is a declaration to the world that we have died to sin and have been raised with Christ to walk in newness of life (Romans 6:4).

B) Holy Communion

The Lord's table consists of two elements: the bread and cup. Those elements are symbolic of the body and blood of Christ. Communion is a memorial of Christ's sufferings on the cross and a celebration of our salvation. It is an opportunity for a believer to examine oneself and repent in order to experience the forgiveness granted to us in the cross.

The Holy Spirit and Spiritual Gifts are an integral part of the Christian life.

The Holy Spirit is given to every follower of Christ to guide, comfort, convict, and adopt us into the family of God. The nine fruits of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23) are by-products of a Spirit-filled life and evidence of spiritual maturity. The nine gifts of the Spirit are different manifestations of the Spirit to build up the body (1 Corinthians 12:1-11). We are instructed to diligently seek the gifts, including the Baptism with the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 14:26-33) in the context of love (1 Corinthians 13:1-13).

The Initial Physical Evidence of the Baptism in the Holy Ghost

The baptism of believers in the Holy Ghost is witnessed by the initial physical sign of speaking in tongues as the Spirit of God gives the utterance (Acts 2:4). The speaking in tongues in this instance is the same in essence as the gift of tongues (1 Corinthians 12:4-10, 28), but different in purpose and use.

Sanctification

Sanctification is an act of separation from that which is evil, and being dedicated fully to God (Romans 12:1-2; 1 Thessalonians 5:23; Hebrews 13:12). Scriptures teach that believers should separate themselves from sin and focus on being right with God (Hebrews 12:14).

Sanctification is realized in the believer by recognizing his identification with Christ in His death and resurrection, and by offering every part of him or her continually to the dominion of the Holy Spirit (Romans 6:1-11, 13; 8:1, 2, 3; Galatians 2:20; Philippians 2:12, 13; 1 Peter 1:5).

The Church is the body of Christ

The Church is the body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12:12-27) and has a four-fold purpose: to glorify God (Colossians 3:16-17, Ephesians 1:12, and Ephesians 5:16-19), make disciples (Matthew 28:19-20, 2 Timothy 2:2), make Jesus known to a lost world (Acts 1:8), and to meet human need (Luke 6:35-36, Acts 11:29, 1 John 3:17, James 1:27). Every person in the body has a unique gifting and part to play in the purpose and mission of the church, therefore everyone should do their part to accomplish that mission.

The Ministry

A divinely called and scripturally ordained ministry has been provided by our Lord for the threefold purpose of leading the Church in (1) evangelization of the world (Mark 16:15-20), (2) worship of God (John 4:23, 24), (3) building a body of saints being perfected in the image of His Son (Ephesians 4:11-16).

Divine Healing

Divine healing is an integral part of the gospel. Deliverance from sickness is provided in the Atonement, and is the privilege of all believers (Isaiah 53:4, 5; Matthew 8:16, 17; James 5:14-16).

The Blessed Hope

The resurrection of those who have fallen asleep in Christ and their translation together with those who are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord is the imminent and blessed hope of the Church. (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17; Romans 8:23; Titus 2:13; 1 Corinthians 15: 51-52).

The Millennial Reign of Christ

The second coming of Christ includes the rapture of the saints, which is our blessed hope, followed by the visible return of Christ with his saints to reign on the earth for one thousand years (Zechariah 14:5; Matthew 24:27, 30; Revelation 1:7; 19:11-14; 20:1-6). This millennial reign will bring the salvation of national Israel (Ezekiel 37:21, 22; Zephaniah 3:19, 20; Romans 11:26, 27) and the establishment of universal peace (Isaiah 11:6-9; Psalm 72:3-8; Micah 4:3, 4).

The Final Judgment

There will be a final judgment in which those that have died without faith in Christ will be raised and judged according to their works. Whosoever is not found written in the Book of Life, will be consigned to an eternity without God (Matthew 25:46; Mark 9:43-48; Revelation 19:20; 20:11-15; 21:8).

The New Heavens and the New Earth

After the final judgment, those alive with Christ will live forever with Him in a new heaven and earth, promised in the scripture (2 Peter 3:13; Revelation 21 and 22).