## Maranatha Baptist Church - Covenant

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior; and, on the public profession of our faith, having been baptized in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we do now, in the Presence of God, Angels, and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another as one body in Christ.

We endeavor, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to stand behind the church with conviction, and support its doctrines, trainings, and worship of God; to contribute regularly and cheerfully to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the Gospel at home and through all nations.

We will endeavor to maintain family and personal devotions; to raise our children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord; to seek the salvation of our relatives and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements; to avoid such things as gossiping, backbiting, and excessive anger; to live a life separate from worldly activities or any other behavior that may bring reproach upon the Lord Jesus Christ; to be zealous in our efforts to advance the Kingdom of our Savior.

We will further endeavor to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy; to be courteous in speech; to be always ready to settle and resolve disputes quickly.

We moreover agree that when we remove from this place we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church of like faith and practice, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.