

Emmanuel Bible Church Membership Application Form

Name: _____ Date: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____ Birth date: _____
Business/Profession: _____
Never Married: _____ Married: _____ Widow(er): _____ Remarried: _____ Single: _____

When did you come to faith in Christ? _____

Give in a few words, the testimony of your conversion experience, that is, how you came to know Christ as your Savior and Lord.

Give the reason or reasons you know you are a Christian and some Bible verses on which you base your assurance of salvation.

Have you been baptized as a testimony of personal faith in the Lord Jesus Christ? _____

When: _____ Where: _____

If not, do you wish to be baptized as a means of publicly declaring your faith in Jesus Christ? _____

Are you now a member of another church? _____

If so, please give the name and address of that church: _____

If you can obtain a church letter, will you notify them? _____

If not, do you wish our office manager to notify them when you become a member here at Emmanuel? _____

Please list any church offices you have held and any type of work you have done in the church:

Do you agree with the doctrines of our church as set forth in the Absolutes of Faith? _____

Explain any differences: _____

Do you agree to support the church with your attendance, your prayers, your service, and your systematic financial support as the Lord prospers you? _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Doctrines EBC Holds to be Absolute

Concerning the Bible

Every word of all sixty-six books of the Old and New Testaments is inspired by God and is without error in the original manuscripts. They are the supreme and final authority in any age.

Ps 19:7-9; Matt 5:18; Lk 16:17; Jn 10:35; II Tim 3:16; II Peter 1:19-21

Concerning God

There is but one true God, the Creator, Sustainer, and Ruler of the universe, eternally self-existent in three persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Deut 4:39; 6:4; Isa 9:6-7; Matt 28:19-20; Jn 8:58; 10:30; I Cor 8:6

Concerning the Son

Jesus Christ is the Eternal Son of God. While remaining fully God, He fully became man as the virgin-born son of Mary. As Messiah, He fulfilled Old Testament prophecies of the Messiah. He was rejected, condemned, crucified, buried in a tomb, but on the third day arose bodily from the dead. He ascended into heaven in a glorified body, is presently sitting at the Father's right hand interceding as High Priest on our behalf. One day He will return for His church and to reign.

Isa 53; Matt 1:18; Jn 1:1 & 14; 14:3; Jn 18-20; Acts 1:9-11; 13:27 & 29; Col 2:9; Heb 7:25; 8:1-2

Concerning the Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is a divine person, co-equal with the Father and the Son. He was sent to glorify Christ by convicting us of sin and applying the saving work of Christ to us through regeneration and sanctification. He has come to glorify Christ through us by indwelling, sealing, guiding, teaching, protecting, empowering, and gifting the believer.

Matt 28:19; Jn 16:13-14; 3:5-6; Acts 5:3-4; Rom 8:1-14; I Cor 12:7-11; Eph 1:13-14; 3:16-17; Heb 9:14

Concerning Man and His Need

Man was created in the image of God to be able to fellowship with God. Because of Adam's sin, man suffered a change in his essential nature, the marring of God's image, and became hostile to God. Now all human beings are born with Adam's sinful nature, are born under condemnation, are unable to secure God's favor through their own efforts, and need a spiritual regeneration before they can become what God created them to be.

Gen 1:26-27; Jn 3:3; Rom 3:22-24; 7:17-18 & 23; 8:7; Eph 4:24; Col 3:10

Concerning Redemption

Jesus lived a sinless life, fulfilling God's law, thus qualifying Him to bear the sins of the world in His body on the cross and to be a substitute for sinners of all ages. He became sin for sinners and experienced the punishment for their sin, His blood thus satisfying the just demands of the righteous God. Therefore, all who put their trust in Jesus alone are made righteous, are reconciled to God, and are given eternal life. Salvation is by grace through faith.

Matt 5:17; Jn 3:16; 14:6; Acts 4:12 Rom 3:21-22; 5:10 & 18; II Cor 5:21; Gal 2:16; Ephes 2:8-9; Phil 3:9; Titus 2:11-14; I Peter 1:18-19

Concerning the Church

The Church consists of all who have been regenerated and united together by the Spirit into the body of Christ. The church is the expression of Christ to the world with a mission to witness Christ to the nations.

Matt 28: 19-20; I Cor 12:13; Eph 1:22-23; 2:19-22; I Peter 2:4-5

Concerning the Future

We look for the visible, bodily return of Jesus Christ to earth. His return will bring His kingdom to completion, will bring judgment to the world, and will fulfill His promises to his people. His future work on earth will conclude with the destruction of all evil and the creation of a new heaven and earth. All human beings who have died will be raised from the dead to participate either in eternal life prepared for those who have been redeemed, or to participate in eternal punishment along with the devil and his angels.

Matt 24:30; 25:31-46; Jn 14:3; Acts 1:9-11; Rev 20:10-21:4

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