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Living**FAITH**

*Bringing faith to life for families  
in Northern Indiana*



# Living FAITH

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# A Note from the Pastor



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Whether you are new to Living Faith, or you've been coming for a while, it is our desire to provide you with the tools and resources that will challenge you to love, trust, and follow Jesus.

We want to serve you and your family by coming alongside you as we all grow closer to Jesus. If there is anything we can do for you, please don't hesitate to let us know. We look forward to helping you connect to the church family of LIVING FAITH and bless you as you enjoy God's presence and relationship with His people!

In Him who loves us,

*Pastor Eric*

# PART ONE: FOUNDATION

*One  
life-changing  
verse...*

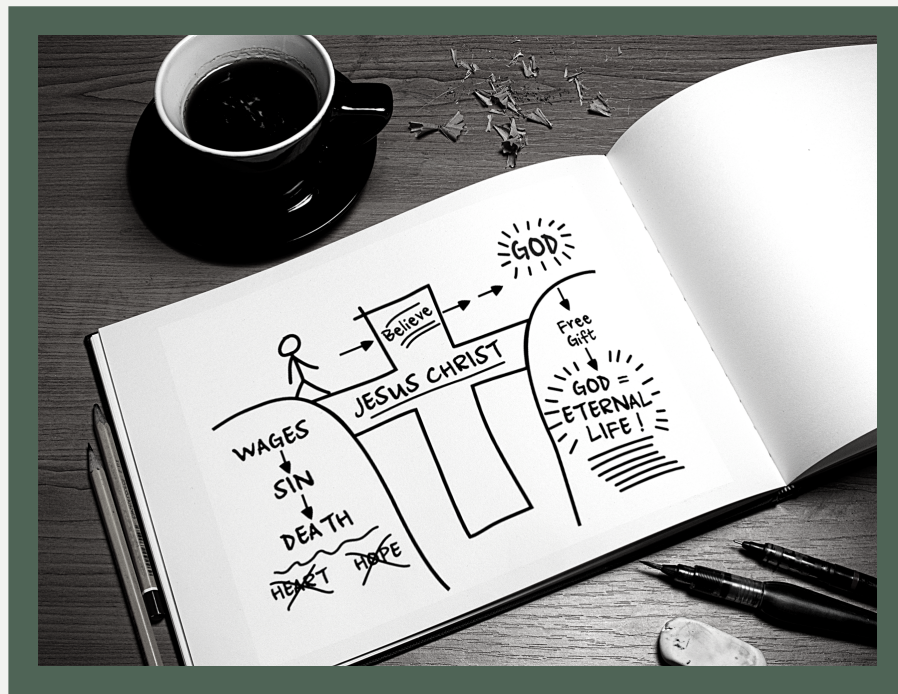
FOR THE WAGES  
OF SIN IS DEATH,  
BUT THE GIFT OF  
GOD IS ETERNAL  
LIFE IN CHRIST  
JESUS OUR LORD."

- ROMANS 6:23

EVERYTHING WE DO STEMS FROM THIS REALITY!

Two Questions:

- 1) Have you received Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior?
- 2) Have you expressed your faith through baptism?



# PART ONE: FOUNDATION

## THE CHRISTIAN MISSION

### The Great Commision

#### Matthew 28:18–20 (NIV)

*"Then Jesus came to them and said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.'"*

### The Great Commandment

#### Matthew 22:35–40 (NIV)

*"One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: 'Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?' Jesus replied: 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."*

Our foundational mission is the same as that expressed by our Lord Jesus Christ and practiced by the church throughout history, to make disciples of Jesus Christ who love God whole heartedly and live in healthy relationships with others.

We are not trying to re-invent Christianity--we are simply trying to live it out the best we know how!

## PART TWO: EXPRESSION

### EXPRESSION: OUR LOCAL VISION

**We are here to bring faith to life  
for families in  
Northern Indiana...and beyond!**



Our strategy for this is three-fold:

START LOCAL.  
IMPACT REGIONAL.  
TOUCH GLOBAL.

We desire to establish a place of intersection between real life and real faith.



Most lives are lived parallel to the Kingdom, impacted by it, but never in touch with God's love.



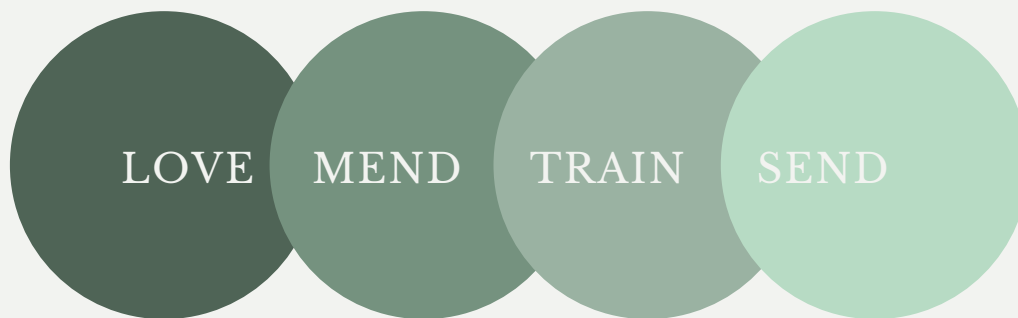
We desire to live at the intersection, "Corner of faith and life."

# PART TWO: EXPRESSION

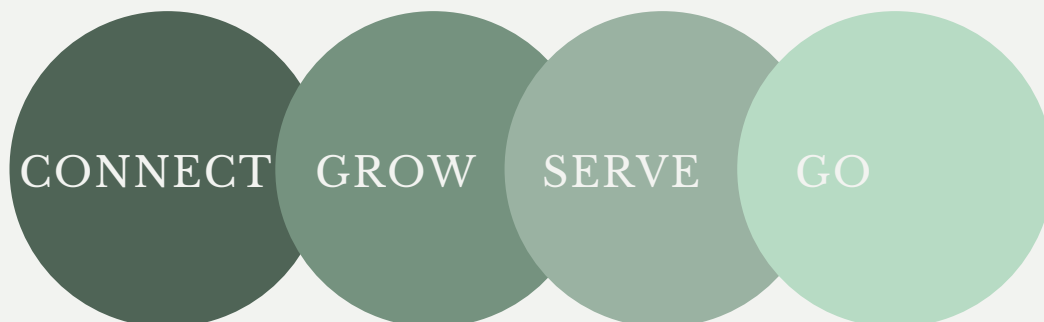
## FAITH TO LIFE DISCIPLESHIP STRATEGY

This class is designed to introduce you to our strategy for fulfilling the Great Commission and the Great Commandment through Faith to Life Discipleship.

*The Church's Responsibility*



*Each Personal Response*





# PART TWO: EXPRESSION

## CLARIFYING THE GOAL

Each member of Living Faith is invited to internalize and take ownership of both the response and the responsibility.

Our mission, vision, and strategy is summarized in our goal for every member of Living Faith — it is the birthright of every follower of Jesus to see someone saved in their living room AND to proclaim the gospel of Jesus in a foreign culture.



All our systems, training, discipleship, relationships, and engagement are designed to help people:

- Accomplish the goal.
- Repeat the goal.
- Help others accomplish and repeat the goal.

# PART THREE: CORE VALUES

Core Values are the deeply rooted and emotionally connected filters that inform all of our interactions with God, ourself, our world and others. Core Values are often experienced through feeling and perception and can be difficult to define. People typically arrive at their core values through a lifetime of engagement with their family of origin, spiritual community, educational system, and key defining moments in life.

At Living Faith, our core values are expressed through our Four Pillars of Faith:



## 1. God is good.

It is our adamant belief that the fundamental nature of God's character is goodness. When Moses requested to see the glory of God, our Lord responded by saying, "I will cause all of goodness to pass in front of you and I will proclaim my name, the Lord, in your presence." (Exodus 33:18-19) The glory of God is His goodness!



## 2. We live from Heaven to Earth.

Paul teaches that "our citizenship is in heaven." (Philippians 3:20) We are ambassadors of the Kingdom of Heaven. Therefore, we live according to the government, culture, atmosphere, and economy of heaven. We live from heaven to earth, recognizing that what is invisible is a superior reality to what is visible. We will live according to the truth that Jesus taught us to pray, "Your Kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven." (Matthew 6:10)



## 3. Everyone is significant.

We see the fingerprints of God upon humanity. We will live lives of honor toward one another. We live to see people saved, healed, and delivered from the effects of sin, to help them identify their God-given personality, gifts, and purpose, and to see them actively invest themselves in the work of the Kingdom. Knowing everyone is significant leads me to understand that I am significant.



## 4. Nothing is impossible.

Really. The Bible says this. We believe it.

# PART THREE: CORE VALUES

Our core values are also expressed through our Five Principles of Living:

## 1. Live in the *Spirit*

Life in the Spirit is characterized in two ways. We pursue a life that is Word based and Spirit empowered. We submit to the Bible as the authoritative revelation of God's design for humanity. The Holy Spirit is the presence of Jesus in the life of a believer. We will live in dynamic relationship with the Holy Spirit as the source, substance, and strength of our lives.

## 2. Live in *Shalom*

Shalom is one of the great blessings of living as a follower of God.

We will allow our lives to be sustained by the presence of God which guards our lives with peace.

Our prayer for you echoes the blessing given by the Apostle John in his 3rd letter, "Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in good health, just as your soul prospers." (3 John 2 NKJV)

We pray that you would thrive from the inside out. As you become healthy on the inside, that your relationships would be healthy, that your body would be healthy, that your home and finances would be healthy, and that you would create lifegiving and healthy environments everywhere you go.

### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL REFLECTION:

*In what areas do I need the revelation of the Shalom peace of God to grow in my life?*

*What is the temperature of my relationship with the Holy Spirit?*

## PART THREE: CORE VALUES

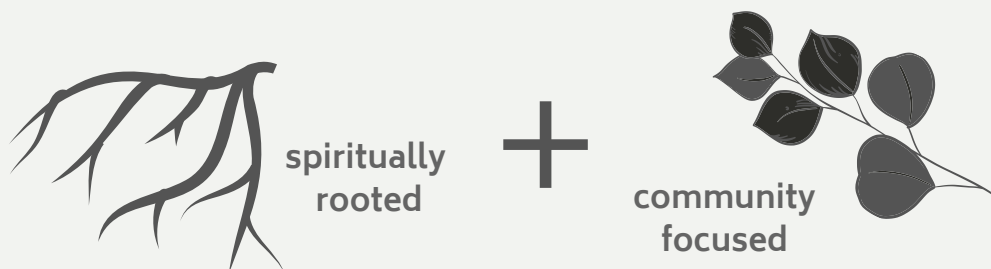
### 3. Live in *Community*

The Christian faith is communal. Our individual relationship with Jesus is deeply intimate and personal, but it finds its true expression in the relationship with others.

Our 20/20 Vision for community is described by Paul in Acts 20:20, “You know that I have not hesitated to preach anything that would be helpful to you but have taught you publicly and from house to house.”

We desire to create environments where the church can be strengthened both through the public meeting on Sunday morning and through Community Groups that meet house to house.

We describe this lifestyle as one of being spiritually rooted and community focused.



#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL REFLECTION:

*Am I where I want to be in the area of community?*

*Which relationships in my life are my healthiest?*

*How can I intentionally pursue deeper / healthy relationships?*

## PART THREE: CORE VALUES

### 4. Live to *Give*

*"For God so loved the world that He gave..." John 3:16*

God expressed His love through generosity. At Living Faith, we express generosity through the stewardship of our time, talents, and treasures.

- **Time**: the asset we can only use once

**Ephesians 5:15-16 (NASB)**

*"So then, be careful how you walk, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of your time, because the days are evil."*

- **Talent**: our natural and supernatural abilities given to us by God

**I Peter 4:10 (NIV)**

*"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."*

- **Treasure**: God owns it all and has instituted the tithe as a principle to get to our hearts

**Proverbs 3:9-10 (NKJV)**

*"Honor the Lord with your possessions, and with the firstfruits of all your increase; so your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will overflow with new wine."*

**Malachi 3:10 (NIV)**

*"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it."*

### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL REFLECTION:

*Am I where I want to be in living a lifestyle of generosity?*

*What could change in my life if I made this a priority for growth?*

## PART THREE: CORE VALUES

### 5. Live God *Loud*

Everything we do as a church family is filtered through this 5th principle. We live, work, worship, and love others with a joyful exuberance. We are thankful for what we have received and joyful in how we live.

Living God Loud is most clearly expressed through our:

- Passionate Worship

#### Psalms 100 (NIV)

*"Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations."*

- Joyful Service

#### 1 Peter 4:7-11 (MSG)

*"Everything in the world is about to be wrapped up, so take nothing for granted. Stay wide-awake in prayer. Most of all, love each other as if your life depended on it. Love makes up for practically anything. Be quick to give a meal to the hungry, a bed to the homeless—cheerfully. Be generous with the different things God gave you, passing them around so all get in on it: if words, let it be God's words; if help, let it be God's hearty help. That way, God's bright presence will be evident in everything through Jesus, and he'll get all the credit as the One mighty in everything—encores to the end of time. Oh, yes!"*

#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL REFLECTION:

*On a scale of 1-10, what is my current level of JOY in this season?*

*How is God calling me to grow in expressing a life of joy?*

# PART FOUR: DISCIPLESHIP PATH

## PLAN OF ACTION

Our plan for regularly connecting spiritual truth to the contextual needs of new and established members of Living Faith:



### Sunday Morning

The weekend worship service is a sacred gathering of the Body of Christ designed to welcome people into the presence of God and provide a highly applicable encounter with God’s Word. In our current culture, we recognize that the Sunday morning service is our “front door” to our community. Therefore, in our gathering and ministry, we pay special attention to the needs of guests to be able to understand and connect with our worship expression.

### Wednesday Evening

Our Wednesday evenings are designed to promote a family discipleship rhythm in which each member of the family is able to participate in a consistent and sustainable fashion.

*First Wednesday Rotation: Night of Worship / Men's Night / Women's Night*

*Second Wednesday: Community Groups*

*Third Wednesday: PRAYGROUND Family Discipleship*

*Fourth Wednesday: Community Groups*

*Fifth Wednesday: Free*

*Every Wednesday: Youth Meeting for grades 6-12*

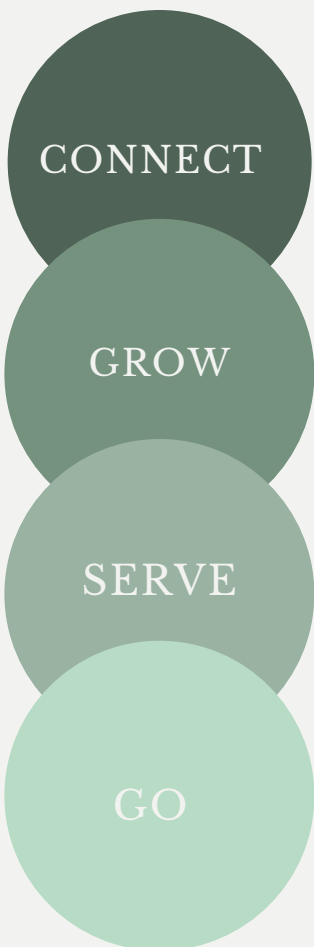
### Fellowship Meals

Gathering around a meal is a central component of biblical community. We seek to join together quarterly to participate in the sacred mystery of breaking bread with one another.

# PART FOUR: DISCIPLESHIP PATH

## Growth Track

Our Growth track is designed to connect people with the mission of Living Faith. It consists of three classes which will help them grow in their faith, understand the church, discover ways to serve, and develop new relationships.



### **Discovery 101:**

**Membership Class** which introduces families to the essential beliefs of the church and our strategy for bringing faith to life.

### **Dream Team 201:**

**Volunteer training** which introduces people to their personal gifts and motivations and provides opportunities to grow in relationship and discipleship through service in the Body of Christ.

### **Values 301: (coming soon!)**

**A five week small group** which will help families grow in relational connection as they further examine the essential doctrines and values of Living Faith.

### **Mission Trips:**

**Living Faith works to offer missions opportunities** for each member, in both local and global contexts.



# PART FOUR: DISCIPLESHIP PATH

## Team Nights

Provide an opportunity for continued training and appreciation of our Dream Team members in the context of fun and fellowship. Teams meet Sunday evenings on a rotating quarterly schedule.

## Community Groups

Living Faith facilitates small groups through the “Free Market” approach. Members of Living Faith are invited to host groups, provided they adhere to the simple guidelines presented in our Community Group playbook. The essential guidelines listed in the playbook are: communication, accountability, semester scheduling, and child safety.

## Discipleship Groups

Living Faith hosts a variety of discipleship groups to promote spiritual growth and development in a highly relational context.

## Summer Discipleship Series

Regular church scheduling is interrupted in the summer months for a rewarding opportunity to engage 6-8 week classes. These rotating classes offer opportunities for theological training, biblical literacy, ministry development, and life-skills, such as finances, parenting, marriage enrichment, etc.

## DOCTRINAL AFFIRMATIONS

### Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.

Amen.

# PART FIVE: DOCTRINE

## Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

# PART FIVE: DOCTRINE

## DOCTRINAL STATEMENTS

### The Godhead

God is one Spirit Who eternally manifests Himself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The Father is the Source of all things; the Son is the Creator and Redeemer; the Holy Spirit is the agent of all life both in the creation of the world and in the regeneration of the sinner.

(Matt. 3:16 17; John 4:24; Eph. 4:4 6; 1 Cor. 15; Col. 1)

### The Scriptures

The Scriptures in their entirety are the very words of God. They are Divine; they are infallible and inerrant in the original manuscripts.

(2 Tim. 3:16; 1 Thess. 2:13; 2 Peter 1:21)

### Mankind's Fall and Redemption

Mankind is a created being, made in the image of God, but through Adam's transgression and fall, sin entered the world (Rom. 5:14; Rom. 3:10; Rom. 3:23; 1 John 3:8). Consequently, all people are sinners by nature and by choice and are guilty before God (Eph. 2:3; Rom. 5:12; Is. 53:6; John 3:36; Rom 3:10, 23; Gal. 3:10). Jesus was sent to redeem humanity from God's punishment for sin, from the power of sin and from the curse of the law. In redemption, through Jesus' death on the cross, people are restored to right relationship with God. Those who are "in Christ" are born of God (John 1:13), are called "sons of God" (1 John 3:1), receive eternal life (John 3:16), and are joint heirs with Christ (Rom 8:17; Gal. 4:7). They are washed, sanctified and justified (1 Cor. 6:11). They have peace with God (Rom. 5:1) and are reconciled to God (Rom. 5:10). They are the temples of the Holy Spirit (1 Cor. 6:19; Acts 2). They receive forgiveness of sins (Col. 1:14), are dead to sin (Rom. 6:11), and are redeemed from the presence and power of iniquity (Tit. 2:14).

# PART FIVE: DOCTRINE

## Eternal Separation from God

Those who reject Christ are already dead spiritually, and have only to look forward to physical death and eternal separation from God. (Matt. 3:12; 25:30, 41, 46; 2 Thess. 1:9; Heb. 9:27; Rev. 19:20)

## Repentance

Repentance is a gift from God. Repentance is dependent upon the convicting work of the Holy Spirit in the lives of people. The conviction of the Holy Spirit, which often accompanies the preaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, will result in the revelation of the sinfulness of self which should lead to godly sorrow. Repentance is a total change of heart, mind, attitude, emotions, will, action and lifestyle flowing from the Holy Spirit's conviction of sin. (2 Cor. 7:10; Psalm 51; Acts 11:18; 2 Tim. 2:25; Gen. 6:3; Rom. 1:18 32; Matt. 9:12 13)

## Sanctification and Christian Maturity

The Christian has been set apart to God, and by His grace should live in a manner that is distinctly different from the world. The believer is set free from sin (Rom 6:18), is a new creation (2 Cor. 5:17), and is dead to sin (Rom. 6:2; 1 Pet. 2:24). Sanctified is what the believer is; mature is what he or she is to become (Eph. 4:13).

# PART FIVE: DOCTRINE

## The Church

The church is a living organism with each of its members in vital relationship to the others, all partaking of a common life (1 Cor. 12). Within the universal church, each local body has Christ as its head and consists of born again believers, gathered together by the Holy Spirit for the purpose of fellowship, worship, observance of the ordinances, propagation of the gospel, and the teaching of the Word of God, all in accordance with biblical revelation.

## Ordinances

Jesus left his followers specific instructions on how key aspect of Christian worship and community should be practiced. These practices have been called ordinances throughout church history. We believe in these New Testament ordinances: water baptism by immersion, the communion of the bread and cup, and the “love feast.”

(Matt. 28:19; 1 Cor. 11:20-34).

## Baptism of the Holy Spirit

The baptism in the Holy Spirit is a gift from God as promised by the Lord Jesus Christ to all believers and is received subsequent to the new birth.

(Matt. 3:11; John 14:16, 17; Acts 1:8; Acts 2:38, 39; Acts 19:17; Acts 2:4)

## The Return of the Lord

The Lord Jesus Christ will literally, personally, visibly and bodily return to the earth. No one knows the time of His return.

(Matt. 24:36)

# PART FIVE: DOCTRINE

## DOCTRINAL DISTINCTIVES

We recognize that as a church we are simply a small part of the global and timeless Body of Christ. We recognize and honor our heritage in the history of the church and connection to current expressions of the church both locally and around the world.

While devotion to Christ is the common bond that connects us to the universal church, a few key distinctives help to define our interpretation and application of Scripture.

### Spirit-Empowered

We believe the Baptism of the Holy Spirit is available to all believers and the gifts of the Holy Spirit as witnessed in the book of Acts and referenced throughout the New Testament are still in operation in the church today. “Charismatic” is an interchangeable term that could be used to describe our theology and practice of relating to the Holy Spirit and His active involvement in the church.

### Egalitarian

We affirm the full equality of women and men as taught and modeled in the Bible. We believe that every person, regardless of race, sex, or status, is qualified to engage their God-given gifts and callings in ministry to the church and world.

## PART FIVE: DOCTRINE

### Non-denominational

“Denomination” is the term use to describe an organization of churches that share a common history, doctrine, government structure, or worship style. Though members of our church come from a wide variety of denominational backgrounds, Living Faith is not affiliated with a denomination.

We maintain relationship with a group of churches through a system that is relational, but not denominational. These relationships provide ministry support to our leaders and organizational resources for our church to equip us to be healthy and high impact in our community.

### Missional

A missional perspective in one which maintains a posture of allowing the realities of the Kingdom of God to invade every area of life. To live missionally is to embody the purposes of Christ within one’s own life. Missional living recognizes that church is not a place I go, but the interconnected life that I live. We like to imagine that missional living is another way of describing normal Christianity.

### Contextual Hermeneutics

We honor the Bible as God’s word and submit to it as the revelation of His will for humanity. Our honor of Scripture leads us to careful consideration of its interpretation and application in the life of a believer.

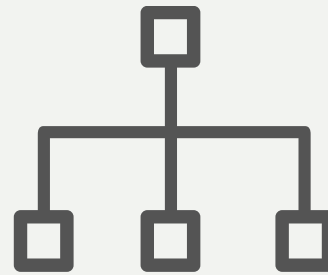
The guiding principle of our biblical interpretation is that “the Bible means what it meant.” In order to accurately understand God’s word we must first seek to discern how it would have been heard and applied by its original audience. From the place of understanding the Bible’s original context and content we seek to build a bridge of practical application of the content to our context. It is our sincere desire to continually perform this task in a way that honors God and maintains the integrity of His will as revealed in His word.



# PART SIX: STRUCTURE

## CHURCH GOVERNMENT

Believers who invest their hearts, time, families, and finances in the building of the local church deserve to have confidence in church leadership. People are looking for leaders who conduct themselves with integrity and respect when making decisions that affect their lives.



Living Faith is guided by staff, guarded by elders, and gifted by membership. Because of this balance, the believers who call Living Faith their home church are free to grow in faith and in relationships within the body.

### The Role of the Elders

The elders are God-ordained leaders who serve the body by providing spiritual oversight, counsel, and leadership. They are selected from among the members of our church. Living Faith has both male and female elders, and the Lead Pastor is also an Elder.

### The Role of the Ministry Board

The Ministry Board is made up of the Elder board, the staff team and their spouses, and a few other rotating church members. This team serves to further communication between church members and the elder team, dream together about future goals, and problem solve existing challenges as we continue to grow and adapt to current needs.

### Financial Accountability

Church leadership believes that financial integrity as an organization is of extreme importance. Therefore, the Elder Board and Lead Pastor hold Living Faith financially accountable. Living Faith publishes an annual review of finances in a printed publication, sharing that review at least once a year with the congregation.

# PART SIX: STRUCTURE

## CHURCH STAFF

Our staff team carries out the vision of Living Faith by overseeing the day-to-day ministry and operations of the church.

As a mixture of full time and part time employees, they are in the office Monday through Thursday, 9 am to 5 pm.

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## PART SEVEN: YOUR INVITATION

### YOU'RE INVITED!

We would be honored to have you join the portion of the body of Christ who calls Living Faith their church home. We believe God brought you here for a reason, and we would treasure the opportunity to walk alongside you as your church family.

Here are some next steps you can take:



Fill out a membership commitment.



Seek out a place to serve.



Make yourself available to community.

# PART SEVEN: YOUR INVITATION

## WHY MEMBERSHIP?

At Living Faith, we value membership. As believers, we are to live out our Christian lives in the context of the local church. In the same way that the physical body has different, interconnected members, Paul tells us that we are “members one of another.”

While you could remain a guest of Living Faith or even a regular attendee of our weekend services, the real value of Living Faith begins with membership.

Membership implies a commitment to the Living Faith family. It's your way of saying, “Count on me!” In turn, our leadership promises to commit Living Faith resources to meet your spiritual needs. That's our way of saying, “You can count on us!”

## LIVING FAITH'S COMMITMENT

The blessings available to those committing themselves to the Membership Agreement include:

- The pastoral love and care of our members and leaders.
- All the benefits and resources of Living Faith's many ministries.
- The corporate blessings of Living Faith.
- A deep satisfaction in being purposely placed in the body of Christ.
- Having a catalyst for spiritual change.
- Opportunities to serve both locally and globally through missions.
- A healthy spiritual community where you, your family and your friends can thrive and grow.

# PART SEVEN: YOUR INVITATION

## MY COMMITMENT

As a believer in Christ, I am in agreement with Living Faith's teachings (their statements, strategies, and structure) and now feel led by the Holy Spirit to unite with the Living Faith Church family.

In doing so, I commit myself to God and to the other members of the body to do the following:

1. I will protect the unity of my church.
  - By acting in love toward other members
  - By refusing to gossip
  - By following the leaders

### ROMANS 15:5

*"May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus."*

### 1 PETER 1:22

*"Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for your brothers, love one another deeply, from the heart."*

### EPHESIANS 4:29

*"Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs."*

### HEBREWS 13:17

*"Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give an account. Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be no advantage to you."*

2. I will share the responsibility of my church.
  - By praying for its growth
  - By inviting the un-churched to attend
  - By warmly welcoming those who visit

### 1 THESSALONIANS 1:2-3

*"We always thank God for all of you, mentioning you in our prayers. We continually remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ."*

# PART SEVEN: YOUR INVITATION

## **3. I will serve the ministry of my church.**

- **By discovering my gifts and talents**
- **By being equipped to serve by my pastors**
- **By developing a servant's heart**

### **1 PETER 4:10**

*"Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms."*

### **PHILIPPIANS 2:3-4, 7**

*"Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. Your attitude should be the same as that of Jesus Christ ... who took on the very nature of a servant."*

## **4. I will support the testimony of my church.**

- **By acting in love toward other members**
- **By attending church and connecting with community faithfully**
- **By giving regularly**

### **ACTS 2:42**

*"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer."*

### **HEBREWS 10:25**

*"Let us not give up the habit of meeting together...but let us encourage one another."*

### **1 CORINTHIANS 16:2**

*"Each one of you, on the first day of each week, should set aside a specific sum of money in proportion to what you have earned and use it for the offering."*

### **LEVITICUS 27:30**

*"A tenth of all you produce is the Lord's, and it is holy."*

**We ask that you fill out and sign the Membership Commitment found here as an addendum and turn it in for our records.**

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# MEMBERSHIP COMMITMENT

The following profile is a declaration of membership with Living Faith. It is a way of expressing your desire to align your heart with the vision, values, and people of Living Faith.

As followers of Jesus, we are all part of the Body of Christ. We recognize the Biblical importance of local congregations providing a place of community, equipping, and encouragement. Our individual relationships with God find their fulfillment in our commitment to and cooperation with a wider fellowship of believers engaged in advancing the Kingdom of God.

## Yourself

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex:    Male    Female

Birthdate: \_\_/\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a Christian? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been baptized? \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Today's Date:

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# MEMBERSHIP COMMITMENT

## Spouse

Yes / No Is your spouse also wishing to join Living Faith?

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_/\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a Christian? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been baptized? \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Anniversary: Date: \_\_/\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## Children in Household

Full Name	Birth Date	Grade	Christian?	Baptized?
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