Faith Community Bible Church (FCBC)
Membership Agreement
(Document Name Changed by the Elders 7/09/2008)

At Faith Community Bible Church we have four requirements for membership:

1) Completion of FCBC New Members class.
2) Personally accept Jesus Christ as your Savior and be baptized.
3) Meet with an Elder to verify agreement with the FCBC Statement of Doctrine, and be in agreement with the FCBC Membership Agreement by signing it.
4) Participation in a house group, unless an exception is approved by the Elders.

The FCBC Membership Agreement:

"Having received Christ as my Lord and Savior and been baptized, and being in agreement with Faith Community Bible Church's vision statement, core values and current emphasis, I now feel led by the Holy Spirit to unite with the FCBC church family. In doing so, I commit myself to God and to the other members 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 leadership.

"So let us concentrate on the things which make for harmony, and on the growth of our fellowship together." Rom. 14:19 (Ph)
"Have a sincere love for your fellow believers, love one another earnestly with all your hearts." 1 Peter 1:22 (TEV)
"Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs..." Eph. 4:29
"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." Heb. 13:17

2. **"I WILL SHARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF MY CHURCH."**

...By praying for its growth.
...By inviting the unchurched to attend.
...By warmly welcoming those who visit.

"To the church ... we always thank God for you and pray for you constantly." 1 Thess. 1:2
"The Master said to the servant, 'Go out to the roads and country lanes, and urge the people there to come so my house will be full.'" Luke 14:23 (NCV)
"So, accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you in order to bring praise to God." Romans 15:7
"Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some people have entertained angels without knowing it." Hebrews 13:2 (NIV)

3. **“I WILL SERVE THE MINISTRY OF MY CHURCH.”**

...By discovering and using my gifts and talents.
...By being equipped to serve by my leaders.
...By developing a servant's heart.

"Serve one another with the particular gifts God has given each of you..." 1 Peter 4:10 (Ph)
"So Christ Himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors, and teachers to equip His people for works of service..." Eph. 4:11-12
"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..." Phil. 2:3-4, 7

4. **“I WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE BODY LIFE OF MY CHURCH.”**

...By attending faithfully.
...By living a godly life.
...By giving regularly.
...By sharing my resources and my needs.
...By praying for the church.

"Let us not give up the habit of meeting together...but let us encourage one another." Heb. 10:25
"But whatever happens, make sure that your everyday life is worthy of the gospel of Christ." Phil. 1:27
"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." 1 Cor. 16:2
"A tenth of all your produce is the Lord's and it is holy." Lev. 27:30
" Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each person should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:6-7 (NIV)

_____ Date _____

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I am in agreement with FCBC's Membership Document, its vision, values, and the direction we are headed as a church. I understand & agree with the opportunities & expectations of membership as outlined in these documents.

_____ Date_____

_____ Date_____

Address:

Email:

Phone #:

*Please return this signed copy to your house group leader or place it in one of the offering boxes and keep the two page Membership Agreement for your records.