



**FLIPSIDE**  
ACTS 17:6

**Flipside Christian Church 101 Class**

# Welcome!

We are glad you've chosen to find out more about our church! This class is the basic introduction to our church family, spiritual growth issues, and your own strengths for ministry. Since we have many people from many different church backgrounds, this class was designed to clearly explain who and what our church is.

## **The Basis for this class:**

"...You are a member of God's very own family...and you belong in God's household with every other Christian." Eph.2:19

Key Truths:

1. The church is a **Family**.
2. God expects you to be a **Member** in a church family.
3. A Christian without a church family is a **Contradiction**.

## **The Goal of this class:**

...That I commit myself to Jesus and to the Flipside Family.

*The **MISSION** of our church is to continually reproduce healthy Christ followers who reproduce healthy Christ following churches.*

<p><b>Flipside Christian Church's theme verse</b> <b>"they have turned the world upside down..." Acts 17-6</b></p>
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# Core Beliefs

## Salvation

### “Our relationship to God”

"For now we are all children of God through faith in Jesus Christ, and we who have been baptized into union with Christ are enveloped by Him. We are no longer Jews or Gentiles, or slaves or free men, or even merely men or women, but we are all the same - we are Christians; we are one in Jesus Christ!"  
Galatians 3:26-28 (LB)

### I. What does it mean to be a Christian?

Most people live their entire lives without ever knowing "Why?"  
They exist year after year with no idea of why they live or God's purpose for their lives.

*The most basic question a person can ask is,  
"What is the meaning of my life?"*

Real happiness comes from understanding my Purpose.

*Understanding why I am here:*

#### 1. **God made me to Love me!**

God says, "I have loved you with an everlasting love!" Jer. 31:3

"Even before the world was made, God had already chosen us to be His through our union with Christ... because of His love, God had already decided that through Jesus Christ He would make us His children - this was God's pleasure and purpose." Eph. 1:4-5 (GN)

#### 2. **We were created to Enjoy a personal relationship with God.**

Jesus said, "I have come in order that you might have life - life in all its fullness!" John 10:10

#### ***Understanding the Problem:***

Man has a natural desire to ignore God's principles for living.

The Bible calls this attitude **Sin!** The middle letter in "SIN" is "I"

"All of us, like sheep, have gone astray, and each of us has turned to his own way." Is. 53:6

"If we say that we never sin, we are only fooling ourselves, and refuse to accept the truth." 1John 1:8

#### ***Results of Sin:***

Sin breaks our close relationship with God. It causes us to try to live outside of His will.

"The trouble is that your sins have cut you off from God." Is. 59:2 (LB)

"All have sinned and fall short of God's glorious ideal." Rom. 3:23

When our relationship to God is not right, it causes **Problems** in every area of our lives - marriage, career, relationships, finances, etc.

**What's the solution?**

Jesus Christ said, "I AM THE WAY, the Truth, and the Life. No one comes to the Father, except THROUGH ME!" John 14:6

The **Way** is a **Person**!

**Jesus has already taken care of our sin problem!**

"The wages of sin is death, BUT the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."  
Rom. 6:23

God demonstrated His love for us in that while we were still separated from God by sin, Christ died for us." Rom. 5:8

"God is on one side and all people are on the other side, and Christ Jesus is between them to bring them together, by giving His life for all mankind." 1 Tim. 2:5

***God has already done His part to restore our relationship to Him. He took the initiative. Now He waits for each of us to individually accept what He has done for us.***

**What does God want me to do?**

1. **Admit** GOD HASN'T BEEN FIRST PLACE IN YOUR LIFE AND ASK HIM TO FORGIVE YOUR SINS.

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from every wrong."  
1John 1:9

2. **Believe** THAT JESUS DIED TO PAY FOR YOUR SINS AND THAT HE ROSE AGAIN, AND IS ALIVE TODAY.

"If you confess that Jesus is your Lord, and you believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved." Rom. 10:9

"Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name (Jesus) by which we must be saved."  
Acts 4:12

3. **Accept** GOD'S FREE GIFT OF SALVATION. DON'T TRY TO EARN IT.

"For it is by grace you are saved, through faith- and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God - not by works, so that no one can boast." Eph. 2:8-9

Our relationship to God is not restored by anything we do, but on the basis of what Jesus already did for us!

4. **Invite** JESUS CHRIST TO COME INTO YOUR LIFE AND BE THE DIRECTOR ("LORD") OF YOUR LIFE.

"To all who receive Him, He gives the right to become children of God. All we need to do is to trust Him to save us. All those who believe this are reborn! - not a physical rebirth... but from the will of God!"  
John 1:12-13

"Jesus says, 'Listen! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in...'" Rev. 3:20

YOU CAN TAKE THESE STEPS BY PRAYING A SIMPLE PRAYER OF COMMITMENT TO GOD:

"Dear Jesus, thank you for making me and loving me, even when I've ignored you and gone my own way. I realize I need you in my life and I'm sorry for my sins. I ask you to forgive me. Thank you for dying on the cross for me. Please help me to understand this more. As much as I know how, I want to follow you from now on. Please come into my life and make me a new person inside. I accept your gift of salvation. Please help me to grow now as a Christian."

"Whoever calls upon the name of the Lord will be saved." Rom. 10:13

# Baptism

## “Our identification in God”

### WHY?

1. To follow the **Example** set by Jesus. Example: Mark 1:9
2. Because Jesus **Commanded** it. Example: Matthew 28:19-20
3. It demonstrates that I really am a **Christ Follower**. Example: Acts 18:8; 1 John 2:3
4. It is a symbol of God's enduring **Grace**. Example: Noah; Jonah

### *What is the meaning of baptism?*

1. It illustrates the **Burial** and **Resurrection** of Jesus.  
"Christ died for our sins... He was buried... and He rose again." 1 Cor. 15:3-4  
  
"For when you were baptized, you were buried with Christ, and in baptism you were also raised with Christ." Col. 2:12
2. It illustrates my **New Life** as a Christian.  
"When someone becomes a Christian he becomes a brand new person inside. The old life has passed away and a new life has begun!" 2 Cor. 5:17  
  
"By our baptism then, we were buried with Him and shared His death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead... so also we may live a new life!" Rom. 6:4

Baptism doesn't make you a believer. It shows that you already believe. Baptism does not "save" you, only your faith in Christ does that. Baptism is like a wedding ring, it is the outward symbol of the commitment you make in your heart.

### **Baptism is the wedding ring of the Christian life.**

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith ... it is the gift of God - not by works, so that no one can boast." Eph. 2:8-9

### *Why be baptized by "Immersion"?*

1. Because **Jesus** was baptized that way.  
"As soon as Jesus was baptized, He went up out of the water." Mt. 3:16
2. Every baptism in the **Bible** was by immersion.  
(example) "...then both Philip and the man went down into the water and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water..." Acts 8:38-39
3. The word "Baptize" means "To **Dip Under** water".  
The Greek word "baptize" means "to immerse or dip under water".

4. It best symbolizes a burial and resurrection!

The founders of some major denominations agree:

Martin Luther: "I would have those who are to be baptized to be entirely immersed, as the word imports and the mystery signifies."

John Calvin: "The word 'baptize' signifies to immerse. It is certain that immersion was the practice of the ancient church."

John Wesley: "Buried with Him, alludes to baptizing by immersion according to the custom of the first church."

***Who should be Baptized?***

**Everyone** who has **Accepted** Jesus as their savior.

"Those who believed and accepted His message were baptized..." Acts 2:41; Acts 8:12

At Flipside we wait until our children are old enough to believe and understand the true meaning of baptism before we baptize them.

Some churches practice a "baptism of confirmation" for children. This ceremony is intended to be a covenant between the parents and God on the behalf of the child. The parents promise to raise their child in the faith until the child is old enough to make his/her own personal confession of Christ. This custom began about 300 years after the Bible was completed.

This is different from the baptism talked about in the Bible which was only for those old enough to believe. The purpose is to publicly confess your personal commitment to Jesus.

It is a requirement that every committed church partner must have been baptized the way Jesus demonstrated, even though many of us were "confirmed" as children.

***When should I be baptized?***

AS SOON AS YOU HAVE BELIEVED!

"Those who believed...were baptized...that day!" Acts 2:41

"Then Philip began with the scripture and told him the Good News about Jesus. As they traveled along the road, they came to some water, and the man said, 'Look, here is water! Why shouldn't I be baptized right now?' Philip said, 'If you believe with all your heart, you may.' The man answered, 'I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.' So they went down into the water and Philip baptized him." Acts 8:35-38

There is no reason to delay. As soon as you have decided to receive Christ into your life, you can and should be baptized. If you wait until you are "perfect", you'll never feel "good enough".

***Common questions about baptism:***

\*Can my family be baptized together?

YES! If each family member understands fully the meaning of baptism, and each one has personally placed his/her trust in Jesus for salvation, we encourage families to be baptized at the same time. It is a wonderful expression of commitment. Young children who wish to be baptized are asked to meet with one of our children's ministry leaders for a pre-baptism conversation.

However, it is important to remember that baptism is a personal statement of faith, not a family tradition. It is usually not wise to delay your baptism while waiting on other family members to accept Jesus, particularly children. This puts an undue pressure on them, and delays your obedience.

\*What should I wear when I am baptized?

Women should wear shorts and a top rather than a swimsuit. Men may wear a swimsuit and a white Tee-shirt. Bring a change of clothes, a towel, and a plastic bag for your wet clothes.

\*Will I have to say anything?

Pastor Karl will briefly explain the meaning of baptism. Once you enter the water you will be given an opportunity to share a word of your new life in Jesus and how/when you accepted Jesus as your Savior. We encourage you to have a "sponsor" with you in the water for your baptism. The "sponsor" should be someone who has had an impact on your spiritual journey to Jesus. Pastor Karl will briefly lower you just under the water, and then raise you out of the water. You can then leave the pool, dry off, and watch the others. We encourage you to invite all your relatives and friends to attend your baptism.

\*What if I have special needs?

We will do whatever we can to meet any need which arises. We can perform a private baptism in special circumstances.



# The Lord's Supper

## "Our communion with God"

Jesus never asked His disciples to remember His birth. He did instruct them to remember His death and resurrection. He gave the church two symbols (called "ordinances") as reminders of His death. These two ordinances are Baptism and The Lord's Supper, or Communion. The Lord's Supper is an object lesson that represents a great spiritual truth for believers.

What is the "Lord's Supper, or Communion? (1 Cor. 11:23-26)

1. It is a Symbol

"The Lord Jesus, on the night He was betrayed, took bread..." vs. 23

2. It is a Memory Tool

"...and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, 'This is my body, which is for you; eat it in memory of me.' " vs. 24

3. It is a Simple Act

"In the same way, He took the cup, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood; drink it to remember me,' " vs. 25

4. It is a Statement of Faith

"For whenever you eat the bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes back." vs. 26

### ***Who should take the Lord's Supper (or Communion)?***

Only those who are already **Believers**. Mk. 14:22-26

"For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment upon himself." 1 Cor. 11:29

### *How do I prepare myself for the Lord's Supper?*

"Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. A person ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup." 1 Cor. 11: 27-28

Self-Examination- 1 Cor. 11:27

Recommitment- Rom. 12:1

Confessing my sins- 1 John 1:9

Restoring Relationships- Matt. 5:23-24

# Purpose of "The Church"

"Let there be real harmony among you so there won't be any split in the church. I plead with you to be of one mind, united in thought and purpose." 1 Corinthians 1:10 (LB)

## ***Flipside's Motto:***

***"...a little less religion; a little more relationship..."***

The purpose of our church comes from two passages in the Bible. They are Matthew 22: 37-40 and Matthew 28:18-20. These two passages are known as the Great Commandment and the Great Commission:

"Jesus said, 'love the Lord your God with all your heart...soul...and mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself. All the Law and Prophets hang on these two commandments.'" Matt. 22:36-40

"Jesus said, '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.'" Matt. 28:19-20

Within these two passage of scripture we find God's 5 purposes for His church.

They are as follows:

- "Go...make disciples" = "EVANGELISM"
- "Love your neighbor as yourself" = "MINISTRY"
- "Teach them...all things" = "DISCIPLESHIP"
- "Love God with all our heart" = "WORSHIP"
- "Baptize" = "FELLOWSHIP"

Knowing this is God's purpose for His church and knowing that we at Flipside want to fulfill God's purposes in this church, Flipside Purpose Statement is to:

## **"EVANGELISM" = Sharing the Good News**

"Anyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. But how shall they ask him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells him?" Rom. 10:13-14 (LB)

Why Our Church Must Never Stop Growing:

### 1. Because **God Loves People**

"The Lord is patient, not wanting anyone to perish, but wants everyone to come to repentance." 2 Peter 3:9

2 Cor. 5:14 Luke 15:3-10 Matt. 9:12-13

### 2. Because God commands us **To Reach Out**

"Go out into the country...and urge anyone you find to come in, so that My House will be full." Lk 14:23 LB

"...you will be my witnesses..." Acts. 1:8

3. Because growth is **God's Will**

"Under Christ's control, the whole Body is nourished...and grows as God wants it to grow."  
Col. 2:19

"I (Jesus) will build my church." Matt. 16:18

Unbiblical excuses for not growing:

- "God isn't interested in numbers"
- "Our church wants quality not quantity"
- Large churches are impersonal"

We believe our church must grow **Larger** and **Smaller** at the same time.

**"MINISTRY"** = **Doing** acts of love

"By this shall all men know that you are my disciples- that you have love for one another." Jn. 13:35

1 Jn. 3:16-17   Mt. 25:34-40   Heb. 13:16   Rom. 12:13

"Now God gives us many kinds of special abilities...and there are different kinds of service to God (ministry)... All of you together form the one Body of Christ and each of you is a separate and necessary part of it" 1 Cor. 12:4-5, 27 (LB)

Every member is a **Minister**

Every task is **Ministry**

**"DISCIPLESHIP"** = **Growing** spiritually

"Let us leave the elementary teachings about Christ and go on to maturity..." Heb. 6:1

"Grow in grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ." 2 Peter 3:18

"(God has given)...some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of ministry, so that the Body of Christ may be built up until we all...become mature...like Christ." Eph. 4:11-13

We grow in maturity in our **small groups**

\*Every person needs to be a part of one!

**"WORSHIP"** = **Loving** God

"Worship the Lord your God and serve Him only" Matt. 4:10

"...The Father seeks worshipers...and His worshipers must worship Him in spirit and in truth." Jn. 4:23-24

Expressions of Worship:

SINGING

Eph. 5:19

COMMITMENT

Rom. 12:1-2

PRAYING

Ps. 95:6

HEARING THE WORD

Jn. 17:17

GIVING

1 Cor. 16:1-2

BAPTISM

Rom. 6:3-4

MEDITATING

Hab. 2:20

COMMUNION

1 Cor. 11:23-26

WORK

Col. 3:23-24

# Flipside Statements of Faith

*What we believe*

\*In essential beliefs - we show **Unity**

"There is one Body and one Spirit...there is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God and Father of us all..." Eph. 4:4-6

\*In non-essentials - we have **Liberty**

"Accept him whose faith is weak, without passing judgment on disputable matters. Who are you to judge someone else's servant? To his own master he stands or falls...So then each of us will give an account of himself to God...So whatever you believe about these things keep between yourself and God." Rom. 14:1,4,12,22

\*In all our beliefs - we show **Charity** (LOVE)

"...If I hold in my mind not only all human knowledge but also the very secrets of God, and if I have the faith that can move mountains - but have no love, I amount to nothing at all." 1 Cor. 13:2 (Ph)

## BASIC ESSENTIALS

**GOD:** God is the Creator and Ruler of the universe. He has eternally existed in three personalities: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. These three are co-equal and are one God. Gen. 1:1, 26, 27; 3:22; Ps. 90:2; Mt. 28:19; 1 Peter 1:2; 2 Cor. 13:14

**JESUS:** Jesus was God in the flesh. Fully man and fully God. Jesus is the personal, living Word of God. His very name, Immanuel, means "God with us". Jesus was born of a virgin, conceived of the Holy Spirit, lived a sinless life, suffered, bled, and died voluntarily on the cross for our sins, was raised from the tomb by God's power, and ascended back to the Father where He makes intercession for us. We live now in the blessed hope of his triumphant return.  
Mt. 1:22, 23; Is. 9:6; Jn. 1:1-5, 14:10-30; Heb. 4:14, 15; 1 Cor. 15:3-4; Rom. 1:3-4; Acts 1:9-11; 1 Tim. 6:14-15; Titus 2:13

**HOLY SPIRIT:** The Holy Spirit is co-equal with the Father and the Son of God. He is present in the world to make men aware of their need for Jesus. He also lives in every Christian from the moment of salvation. He provides the Christian with power for living, understanding of spiritual truth, and guidance in doing what is right. He gives every believer a spiritual gift when they are saved. As Christians we seek to live under His control daily.  
2 Cor. 3:17; Jn 16:7-13, 14:16-17; Acts 1:8; 1 Cor. 2:12, 3:16; Eph. 1:13; Gal. 5:25; Eph. 5:18

**BIBLE:** The Bible is the final authority on all matters of faith. It is the rule by which we live and of which we preach. The Bible is the recorded, objective word of God. It is God's revelation of Himself to the world. It is the inspired, true, and accurate guide for all faith and practice.  
2 Tim. 3:16; 2 Peter 1:20-21; 2 Tim. 1:13; Ps. 119:105, 160, 12:6; Prov. 30:5

**HUMANS:** We are uniquely created by God to live forever in fellowship and communion with Him. We are made in the spiritual image of God, to be like Him in character. We are the supreme object of God's creation. We have been given free will to exercise and in so doing we become disobedient and separated from God. Those who respond to Jesus in faith will be saved from sin and be given the free gift of eternal

life. Those who reject Jesus as Lord and Savior will experience eternal separation and punishment from the presence of God. Gen. 1:27; Ps. 8:3-6; Is. 53:6a; Rom. 3:23; Is. 59:1-2

**SALVATION:** Salvation is God's free gift to us who believe but we must accept it. We can never make up for our sin by self-improvement or good works. Only by trusting in Jesus as God's offer of forgiveness can anyone be saved from sin's penalty. When we turn from our self-ruled life and turn to Jesus in faith we are saved. Eternal life begins the moment one receives Jesus into his life by faith.

Rom. 6:23; Eph. 2:8-9; Jn. 14:6, 1:12; Titus 3:5; Gal. 3:26; Rom. 5:1

**ETERNAL SECURITY:** Because God gives us eternal life through Jesus, the true believer is secure in that salvation for eternity. If you have been genuinely saved, you cannot "lose" it. Salvation is maintained by the grace of God, not by the self effort of the Christian. It is the grace and keeping power of God that gives us this eternal security.

Jn. 10:28-29; 2 Tim. 1:12; Heb. 7:25, 10:10, 14; 1 Peter 1:3-5

**ETERNITY:** People were created to exist forever. We will either exist eternally separated from God by sin, or we'll exist eternally with God through forgiveness and salvation. To be eternally separated from God is Hell. To be eternally in union with Him is eternal life. Heaven and Hell are real places of eternal existence.

Jn. 3:16, 14:17; Rom. 6:23, 8:17-18; Rev. 20:15; 1 Cor. 2:7-9

## Flipside “7 Core Values”

We Value:

- **Irresistible Grace** – giving grace that draws people to Jesus.
- **Irrefutable Love** – proving our faith by our love.
- **Illogical Faith** – doing things in faith that may not seem logical.
- **Irrational Generosity** – We’ve NEVER seen someone “outgive” God. It always comes back!
- **Invisible Kingdom** – A greater kingdom we were meant for...that we cannot see.
- **Infallible Scriptures** – God didn’t make mistakes in His word.

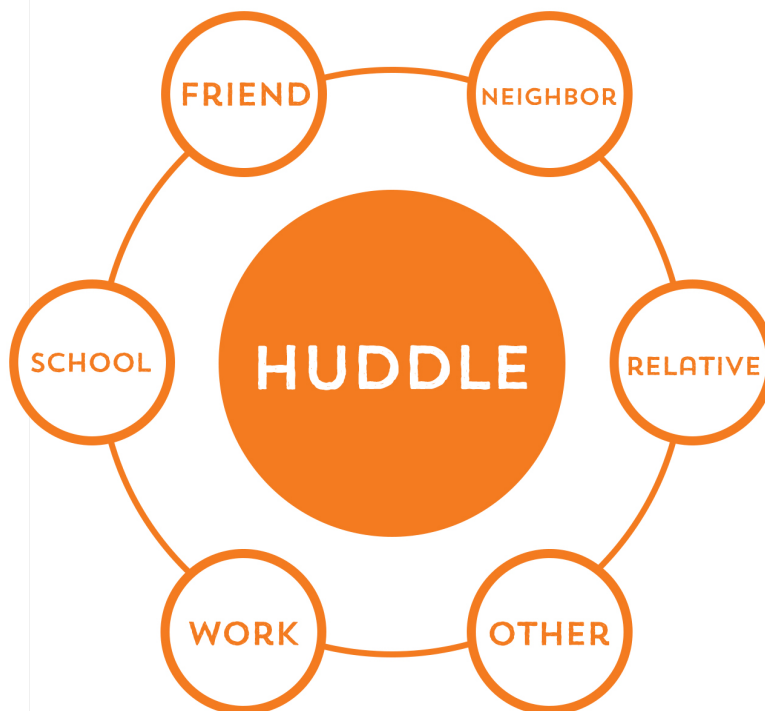
## Flipside “Reason for being”

### *Your “Huddle”*

“...Go home to your own people and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you.” - Mark. 5:19

God has placed 8-15 people in YOUR life that He wants YOU to tell about Him (Jesus)! They may come from varied backgrounds or be in varied phases of life.

### WHO IS IN YOUR HUDDLE?



## **5 STEPS TO REACH YOUR “8-15”**

### **Step 1: LIST**

List your huddle, those 8-15 people with whom you have developed, are developing, or maybe should develop relational equity.

### **Step 2: PRAY**

Pray daily for your huddle, that each would sense God’s presence in their lives and be open to His love.

### **Step 3: INVEST**

Invest in your huddle – watch for appropriate ways to be God’s instrument, as He calls them to Himself and transforms their lives.

### **Step 4: INVITE**

Invite them to church regularly and thoughtfully, as God opens doors of opportunity.

### **Step 5: PREPARE**

Prepare to become a better example of faith in Christ as well as a more effective witness of His grace.

## **HUDDLE CATEGORIES**

Use the categories listed below to identify where people in your huddle are in their relationship to God.

### **PRE-CHRISTIANS**

List those people in your huddle you have not yet placed their faith in Jesus.

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### **PRODIGALS**

List those people in your huddle who are not actively pursuing their faith.



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**PURPOSEFULS**

List those people in your huddle who are believers and actively pursuing their faith

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**POTENTIALS**

List those people in you huddle who seem to be showing up on your life's "front burner" more often than in the past.

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# Flipside's Structure

WE HAVE A SIMPLE STRUCTURE SO WE CAN:

MAXIMIZE Ministry  
AND  
MINIMIZE Maintenance

"God gave...some to be pastors and teachers to prepare God's people for works of ministry, so that the body of Christ may be built up..." Eph. 4:11-12

The People are the "Ministers"

The Pastors are the "Administers"

If you think the church needs a specific ministry, YOU can start one providing it:

- fits within our purpose
- doesn't harm the reputation of our church
- and isn't a money raising project

## WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A FLIPSIDE "MINISTRY PARTNER"

The difference between "attenders" and "ministry partners" can be summed up in one word: Commitment.

We recognize the need for a formal membership. However, membership carries with it an idea of ownership and rights. Jesus is the only "owner" of His Church and the only rights we have is to lay ours down for the sake of others.

We speak in terms of "ministry partners" because God has called us all into partnership with Him to accomplish His purposes in the world. He has also given each of us a ministry for which we are responsible.

## WHAT IS EXPECTED OF ME AS A "MINISTRY PARTNER"?

We never ask our "ministry partners" to do more than the Bible clearly teaches. We only expect our "ministry partners" to do what the Bible expects every Christian to do. These responsibilities are spelled out in the Ministry Partnership Covenant.

## ***THE MINISTRY PARTNERSHIP COVENANT & COMMITMENTS***

"Having received Christ as my Lord and Savior and been baptized, and being in agreement with the statements, strategy, and structure, I now feel led by the Holy Spirit to unite with this church family. In doing so, I commit myself to God and to other ministry partners to do the following:

### **1. I Will Protect the Unity Of My Church**

- By acting in love toward others
- By refusing to gossip

- By following the leaders

"So let us concentrate on the things which make for harmony, and on the growth of our fellowship together." Rom. 15:19 (Ph)

"Live in complete harmony with each other - each with the attitude of Christ toward each other." 1 Peter 1:22 (GN)

"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

"Go out into the country... and urge anyone you find to come in, so that My House will be full." Luke 14:23 (LB)

"So, warmly welcome each other into the church, just as Christ has warmly welcomed you; then God will be glorified." Rom. 15:7 (LB)

## **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

"Serve one another with the particular gifts God as given each of you..." 1 Peter 4:10 (Ph)

"God gave...some to be pastors and teachers to prepare God's people for works of ministry, so that the body of Christ may be built up..." Eph. 4:11-12

## **4. I Will Support the Testimony Of My Church**

- By attending faithfully
- By living a godly life
- By giving regularly

"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 (Ph)

"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 you produce is the Lord's, and it is holy." Lev. 27:30

# MINISTRY PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

1. Have you committed your life to Jesus Christ and trust Him for your salvation?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_  
when?                      where?

2. Have you been baptized by immersion (under water) after you committed your life to Christ?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_  
when?                      where?

I want to be baptized here \_\_\_\_\_

3. Have you completed Flipside Class #101

Yes \_\_\_\_\_  
date

4. Do you desire to abide by the Ministry Partnership Covenant?

Yes, I do! \_\_\_\_\_

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Please sign your name and date

WELCOME TO THE FLIPSIDE FAMILY!

WHEN THINKING ABOUT YOUR NEXT STEP, PLEASE CONSIDER:

FLIPSIDE 201 CLASS – “How I’m gifted to serve”.

FLIPSIDE 301 CLASS – “Taking steps of spiritual maturity”.

## Next Steps

My Next Step Spiritual and Practical step in Growing and Showing my Love for God and for Others...

I am ready to be involved in this area of ministry: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to find out more about this area of ministry: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I would like a follow up appointment to discover how and where I might be best suited to serve

\_\_\_\_ I am not ready to take any of these next steps yet.

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Please print your name

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date

The best way to contact me is:

(contact info)

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