

*Meaningful*  
MEMBERSHIP



# Meaningful Membership

I am being led by the Holy Spirit to unite with the Trinity Baptist Church family and grow to my fullest potential in Christ. I understand that my progress as His disciple will be realized.



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As I prayerfully learn and apply the teaching and equipping provided by the church

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As I build relationships through a small group



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As I minister to the body with my gifts and talents

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I therefore commit myself to Christ, to this church family, and to our ministry to the community and the world.



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Two rolls:

(1) Membership

(2) Clerical

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The New Testament meaning of membership



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A historic synopsis of membership

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Winthrop S. Hudson says, "The number of people attending Sunday morning worship in the 1830s was usually three times the total membership of a church."



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The decline of the meaning of church  
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1. It calls on each one of us to view and value our membership in one of Jesus' churches more in accord with the honor and glory due Him.

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2. Only after an extended period of absence and a member's evidential desire not to be a member of Trinity is their membership rescinded.



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3. We will not remove anyone from our membership who genuinely wants to be a member or who is providentially hindered from attending this or another local church.



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Some things that the six-month period does not mean:

4. People will not be removed without a sincere attempt to contact and restore them.