



**The Village
Church** Denton

Covenant

Having been led, as we believe by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior and, on profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, we do now, in the presence of God and this congregation, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another as one body in Christ.

We seek, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to love the Lord our God with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our mind, and with all our strength and to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church, in knowledge, holiness and comfort; to promote its flourishing and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the Gospel through all nations.

We also seek to maintain personal and family devotions; to bring up our children in the training and instruction of the Lord; to seek the salvation of our families and neighbors; to walk uprightly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our conduct; to avoid all gossip, slander, and sinful anger; and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Savior.

We further seek to watch over one another in Christian love; to remember one another in prayer; to aid one another in sickness and distress, to cultivate Christian empathy and Christian courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense and always ready for reconciliation; to strive for unity in our diversity, including social, cultural, and racial differences, being mindful of the commands of our Savior.

We moreover seek that when we move from this place, we will, as soon as possible, unite with another local church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's word.