

MEMBERSHIP AT COAST BIBLE CHURCH

Coast Bible Church encourages all those who attend to consider joining the church as a member. Being a member of a church is both a privilege and a responsibility. At CBC, membership is a physical symbol of your inward dedication and loyalty to the mission, teaching, ministries and people of CBC. Members are also given the privilege of voting on significant decisions that affect the life of our church.

CBC asks the following of its members:

- A. Each member is required to have believed in Jesus Christ for their eternal salvation.
- B. Each member is expected to have read and be in agreement with the Constitution and doctrinal statement of Coast Bible Church. (CBC, at the Elder's discretion, generally permits minor points of doctrinal disagreement so long as the prospective member is willing to respect CBC's position).
- C. Each member is expected to edify the church by means of personal participation, service and giving, and to promote and preserve the unity of the church.
- D. Each member should be intent on loving each other, worshipping God, demonstrating sensitivity to the Holy Spirit and striving to conform themselves to the image of Jesus Christ – one filled with grace and truth.

If you desire to become a member of Coast Bible Church, please note the following course of action:

- 1. Complete the attached Membership Application.
- 2. Write a brief statement on your testimony of faith in Christ (1 page max.).
- 3. (Preferred, but not req'd.) Obtain a *letter of transfer*¹ from your previous church.
- 4. Return items 1-3 to the church office.
- 5. Pastor Neil will contact you to set up a 15-20 minute informal meeting with the Elders (usually Sunday morning) to consider you for membership. You will be notified promptly of the Elders' decision.

We take special pleasure in introducing new members to the church family. Typically Pastor Neil will invite new members to briefly join him on stage during a portion of our Sunday morning service so that they can be introduced to the church family. We hope that you would be willing to do us this honor.

¹ A *letter of transfer* is a statement of recommendation from a pastor or elder of your previous church. This letter is not required for membership, but is preferred. This condition does not apply to new Christians who have no prior church background.

COAST BIBLE CHURCH
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
(1 per person)

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ B-day: _____ (optional)

Marital Status: Single _____ Married _____ Widowed _____ Divorced _____

Spouse (if married) _____ Anniv. Date _____ (optional)

Children: Name(s) & B-day(s): _____

Have you believed in Jesus Christ for eternal life? _____ Yes _____ No

Have you been baptized since you were saved? _____ Yes _____ No

If no, are you willing to be baptized? _____ Yes _____ No

How long have you been attending Coast Bible Church? _____

Why are you considering joining Coast Bible Church? _____

Have you read CBC's Constitution and Statement of Faith? _____ Yes _____ No

Are you in full agreement with them? _____ Yes _____ No

If no, please explain (use separate sheet if nec.): _____

If no, are you willing to respect CBC's position? _____ Yes _____ No

Do you commit to faithfully participating in the church, serving in the church and giving to the church? ___ Yes ___ No

Which area of service most interests you? (check up to 5)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Advertising / Marketing | <input type="checkbox"/> Meals Ministry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Awana Kids Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Men's Ministry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Audio / Video / Lighting | <input type="checkbox"/> Military Families Ministry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beach Nights | <input type="checkbox"/> Missions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Building & Grounds | <input type="checkbox"/> MOPS (Mother's of Preschoolers) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Caring / Visitation | <input type="checkbox"/> Office Help |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare (Nursery, Toddlers) | <input type="checkbox"/> Prayer Ministry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Ministries | <input type="checkbox"/> Salt & Pepper Dinners |
| <input type="checkbox"/> College / Young Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Sanctuary Care |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Service / Outreach | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Ministry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Computers / IT | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Groups |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decorating | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports Ministry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drama Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Teaching |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Evangelism | <input type="checkbox"/> Ushering |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fellowship Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> VBS (Vacation Bible School) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance / Bookkeeping | <input type="checkbox"/> Website Design / Maintenance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Greeters | <input type="checkbox"/> Weddings / Funerals |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen Care | <input type="checkbox"/> Women's Ministries |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Library | <input type="checkbox"/> Worship / Music Ministry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lord's Supper prep. | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Ministries (JH & HS) |

Are you presently a member of any other church? ___ Yes ___ No

If so, which church? _____

Which churches have you previously attended and for how long? _____

Why did you leave your last church? _____

SIGN: _____ DATE: _____