

# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



**BETHEL**  
CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP



# WELCOME

*From the Lead Pastor, David Domina:*

*My wife Charla, the Staff, and I are excited that you are seeking membership here at Bethel Christian Fellowship. As Lead Servant, I am encouraged when people who have been with us, some for a short time and others who have fellowshiped with us for quite a while, take the additional step to truly become part of our church family.*

*The profound love of Jesus Christ draws us, through His saving grace, into the universal family of the Church. It is essential that we find a place of fellowship where we feel as though we belong. It is through our relationships, where we can grow even stronger in the Lord. And by us working with Christ and one another, we reach the nations with the life-changing Gospel message of our Savior.*

*We have written this packet to outline the membership requirements for those who call Bethel their home church, and to give you the opportunity to consider membership. We look forward to leading you through the process and welcoming you publicly into membership during one of our services on a Sunday morning.*

## MISSION/VISION

*People partnering with God and one another to see Rochester restored and its residents flourishing.*

**We will accomplish this by:**

- ♦ **Modeling** what it means to “be in Christ,” and to be “**Christ-like**.” Through a relationship with Jesus Christ we have access to God and all of heaven’s resources to restore what mankind has relinquished and destroy the works of Satan
- ♦ **Discipling** those that **become** part of the **Bethel family** through **membership** into the “body of Christ,” which is Christ’s visible expression on earth
- ♦ **Partnering** with other local Christian churches and para-church ministries to **serve** the residents of the City of Rochester through prayer, acts of service, community outreach initiatives, etc.
- ♦ **Building** collaborative **relationships** with religious, social, governmental, educational and marketplace leaders, non-profits, and community organizations to bring love, hope, healing, education, support, resources and service to those in need so as to break the “cycles of poverty” people find themselves in, both spiritually and physically

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# WHO WE ARE

Bethel Christian Fellowship is an independent, non-denominational congregation. We are an apostolic/prophetic center in the heart of downtown Rochester connected (networked) relationally with other ministries in the region, across the state, and country and throughout the world.

Our government is based on the Scriptural pattern of apostolic leadership; recognizing the five-fold gifts that define roles of leadership. We are a prophetic community directed and empowered by the Holy Spirit to extend the Good News of the Kingdom of God throughout the earth. To this end, our goal is to equip every member of our congregation to be a committed disciple of Jesus Christ and minister of the Kingdom of God. We believe that each member, male and female, young and old, has been sent by God with an ordained assignment and destiny. Our diversity as individuals, and the unique gifts and calling of each member enhance our effectiveness as we work together to prepare the way of the Lord.

Our faith community has a rich history dating back to 1917. Initially, we were formed as an independent Pentecostal congregation named Full Gospel Assembly. Later, we became known as Bethel Full Gospel Church and affiliated with The Assemblies of God denomination. In 1994, Bethel adopted an apostolic governmental structure and left the Assemblies of God denomination in good standing. With this change came a new name: Bethel Christian Fellowship.

An Apostolic Council provides oversight, spiritual counsel, and prophetic direction for Bethel Christian Fellowship. It is comprised of Lead Pastor/Apostolic Leader, David A. Domina; Apostolic Overseer, Ronald A. Domina; Executive Pastor, Ronald C. Domina; and Associate Pastor/BMEC Oversight, Laura Woods. Governing elders facilitate and implement the vision as set forth by the Apostolic Council.

In 2001, Lifenet Ministries International (LMI), an apostolic network led by Apostle Ron A. Domina, was formed. Since then, the name of this network has been changed to Lifenet Apostolic Network (LAN). Bethel Christian Fellowship is a founding member of this network.

## **About us....**

As we think of our humble beginnings in 1917, and look at the church as it stands today, we can echo the words of the prophet Isaiah, "...all that we have accomplished you have done for us.", *Isaiah 26:12*. From a handful of pilgrims, this Full Gospel Assembly grew, moved, and ultimately made 321 East Avenue its home. Today, Bethel is a vibrant non-denominational, multi-cultural congregation in the heart of Rochester's cultural district. Our mission is to make fully devoted followers of Christ so that "Every Member is a Minister."

321 East Avenue has been the site of a Christian Church since before records were kept. A wooden Baptist church stood there, used by Asbury Methodist church while their sanctuary was being built. This chapel was later demolished to make room for a Sunday school building, kitchen and classrooms which is now Café Aviv.

The cornerstone of Asbury Methodist Church (currently our Historic Sanctuary) was laid on June 28, 1884. The building was completed June 25, 1885. The small chapel, which is now Aviv's gallery, was dedicated December 16, 1900.

## **Family Chronology of Bethel...**

- 1917** Originating from the Duncan Sisters' Fellowship, Full Gospel Assembly begins. Pastor Craig from Toronto is the first pastor leading this independent Pentecostal congregation which met at Trinity Episcopal Church.
- 1921** Aimee Semple McPherson holds powerful meetings; many saved and filled with the Holy Spirit.
- 1922** Ripley Methodist is purchased to house the growing Bethel Full Gospel Church. Under Pastor Harry Long, Bethel becomes a center for well-known speakers. Among those is Smith Wigglesworth. *(The pulpit from which he ministered is still in the Historic Sanctuary.)*
- 1953** Bethel outgrows the Ripley site and purchases 321 East Avenue from Asbury Methodist in Rochester. The initial construction of this facility was in 1884.
- 1955** Dedication of the present historic sanctuary becomes the Main Sanctuary of Bethel Full Gospel Church.
- 1980** September of 1980, Pastor Ron A. Domina answers God's call to become the lead pastor at Bethel.
- 1988** Completion of the addition - the new administration wing. The Valley Cadillac body shop is renovated as a place for Bethel's youth ministry, aptly known as the Body Shop Christian Fellowship Center.
- 1994** The Antonelli Tire Company, on the corner of Union St. and East Avenue, is purchased to make way for Bethel's new Main Sanctuary.
- 1994** Bethel adopts an apostolic governmental structure.
- 1996** Construction begins on a new "debt free" sanctuary.
- 1997** The City sold Bethel the former Varden Photography Studio building at minimal cost. When the building was demolished, the vacant lot gave much needed parking space for the congregation.
- 1999** In order to acknowledge that we are but one fellowship of the Church of Jesus Christ in Rochester, Bethel Full Gospel Church changed its name to Bethel Christian Fellowship.
- 2001** The new 1400 seat sanctuary is dedicated. Both the Historic Sanctuary, seating 600, and the New Sanctuary are in regular use by our congregants, other churches, and community groups.
- 2014** An Apostolic Council is formed to give spiritual oversight and steer the vision of Bethel. Pastor Ron A. Domina installs his son, David, as the Lead Pastor of Bethel, and son, Ron C., as Executive Pastor.

## Bethel Christian Fellowship's **STATEMENT OF FAITH**

This church accepts the entirety of the Holy Scriptures as the revealed Will of God, and the all-sufficient rule for faith and practice. For the purpose of maintaining general unity, Bethel Christian Fellowship has adopted the following statement of faith, which is intended simply as a basis of fellowship among us (i.e., that we all speak the same thing—I Corinthians 1:10; Acts 2:41). The phraseology employed in this statement is not inspired or contended for, but the truth set forth is held to be essential to a full gospel ministry. No claim is made that it contains all of the truths of the Bible, only that it covers our need as to the fundamental doctrines of this church.

### **1. The Scriptures Inspired**

The Scriptures, both the Old and New Testaments, are verbally inspired of God (II Timothy 3:15-17; I Thessalonians 2:13; II Peter 1:21).

### **2. The One True God**

The one true God has revealed Himself as the eternal self-existent "I AM," the Creator of heaven and earth, and the Redeemer of mankind. He has further revealed Himself as embodying the principles of relationship and association as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Deuteronomy 6:4; Isaiah 43:10-11; Matthew 28:19; Luke 3:22).

### **3. The Deity of the Lord Jesus Christ**

The Lord Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of God. The Scriptures declare:

- A. His virgin birth (Matthew 1:23; Luke 1:31,35).
- B. His sinless life (Hebrews 7:26; 1 Peter 2:22).
- C. His miracles (Acts 2:22; 10:38).
- D. His substitutionary work on the cross (I Corinthians 15:3; II Corinthians 5:21).
- E. His bodily resurrection from the dead (Matthew 28:6; Luke 24:39; I Corinthians 15:4).
- F. His exaltation to the right hand of God (Acts 1:9; 2:33; Philippians 2:9-11; Hebrews 1-3).

### **4. The Sanctity of Life and the Pre-born**

We believe that personhood exists prior to birth. As soon as a baby is conceived, his or her life has begun and will continue until they pass away. The Bible clearly teaches that life begins upon conception, and therefore, the unborn should be cherished and protected. (Psalm 139:13; Jeremiah 1:4-5; Luke 1:39-44).

### **5. The Fall of Man**

Man was created good and upright; for God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness." Man fell by voluntary transgression, and thereby incurred not only physical death, but also spiritual death, which is separation from God (Genesis 1:26,27; 2:17; 3:6; Romans 5:12-19).

### **6. The Salvation of Man**

Man's only hope of redemption is through the shed blood of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

#### **A. Conditions to Salvation**

Salvation is received through repentance toward God and faith toward the Lord Jesus Christ. Justified by grace through faith, man becomes an heir of God to eternal life (Luke 24:47; John 3:3; Romans 10:13-15; Ephesians 2:8; Titus 2:11; 3:5-7).

#### **B. Evidences of Salvation**

The inward evidence of salvation is the direct witness of the Spirit (Romans 8:16). The outward evidence to all men is a life of righteousness and true holiness (Ephesians 4:24; Titus 2:12).

## 7. Ordinances of the Church

### A. Baptism in Water

The ordinance of water baptism into Jesus Christ by immersion in the name of the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit is commanded in the Scriptures. All who repent and believe on Christ as Savior and Lord are to be baptized. (Matthew 28:19; Mark 16:16; Acts 10:47-48; Romans 6:4).

### B. Holy Communion

The Lord's Supper, consisting of the elements: bread and the fruit of the vine (Luke 22:18-19; I Corinthians 11:26).

## 8. The Baptism in the Holy Spirit

Believers should normally expect that the baptism in the Holy Spirit and the initial physical sign of the baptism of the Holy Spirit is speaking with other tongues as the Spirit of God gives them utterance (Acts 2:4). Speaking in tongues in this instance is the same in essence as the gift of tongues (I Corinthians 12:4-10,28), but different in purpose and use.

## 9. Sanctification

Sanctification is an act of separation from that which is evil and of dedication unto God (Romans 12:1-2; I Thessalonians 5:23; Hebrews 13:12). The scriptures teach a life of "holiness without which no man shall see the Lord" (Hebrews 12:14). By the power of the Holy Spirit we are able to obey the command: "Be ye holy, for I am holy" (I Peter 1:15-16). The work of sanctification continues throughout our lives by faith, reckoning daily upon the fact of our union with Christ, and by offering every ability continually to the dominion of the Holy Spirit (Romans 6:1-11,13; 8:1-2,13; Galatians 2:20; I Peter 1:5).

## 10. The Church and Its Mission

The Church is the Body of Christ, the habitation of God through the Spirit, with divine appointments for the fulfillment of her great commission. Every believer is a minister called to serve Christ in accomplishing His purpose for His Church.

## 11. The Five-Fold Ministry

A divinely called and scripturally ordained ministry has been provided by our Lord for the purpose of equipping the saints for the work of the ministry and the building up of the other believers (Ephesians 4:4-16).

## 12. Divine Healing

Divine healing is an integral part of the gospel. Deliverance from sickness is provided for in the atonement, and is the privilege of all believers (Isaiah 53:4,5; Matthew 8:16,17; James 5:14-16).

## 13. Marriage

We believe that marriage is a "one-flesh" union between one man and one woman. "Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh" (Genesis 2:24). This verse sets forth the biblical pattern for marriage as instituted by God in the beginning: one man is united to one woman in matrimony, and the two form one new family. Jesus confirms all of this in Matthew 19:8, pointing towards marriage's existence as a male/female, one-flesh union "from the beginning."

Furthermore, we believe that God intends sexual intimacy to occur between a man and a woman who are married to each other and there is to be no intimate sexual activity engaged in outside of a marriage between a man and a woman. (I Corinthians 6:18, 7:2-5; Hebrews 13:4).

## **14. The Blessed Hope**

The resurrection of those who have fallen asleep in Christ and their translation together with those who are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord is the imminent and blessed hope of the Church (I Thessalonians 4:16,17; Romans 8:23; Titus 2:13; I Corinthians 15:51,52).

## **15. The Second Coming of Christ**

Jesus will physically return to the earth, which is His second coming. The Kingdom of God will continue to grow and subdue the earth (I Thessalonians 4:13-18; I Corinthians 15:51-54).

## **16. The Final Judgment**

There will be a final judgment in which the wicked dead will be raised and judged according to their works. Whosoever is not found written in the Book of Life, together with the devil and his angels will be consigned to everlasting punishment in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death (Matthew 25:46; Mark 9:43-48; Revelation 19:20; 20:11-15; 21:8).

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# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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## Why Membership?

- Membership aligns with scriptures
- Members become part of a family where they have the opportunity to be discipled and grow with other members in their faith
- Our church develops members into leaders and ministers who will be sent out from Bethel
- Members have greater access to support, help and resources than non-members, just as it would be true for normal family.

*Recommended Reading: "The Value of the Local Church," by Dr. John A. Tetsola*

## Q: Is Church Membership Scriptural?

### A: Yes

In the Bible there are four primary relational analogies of the church. Even the biblical word translated "church," means "the assembly of 'called out' people." We are the **Body of Christ**, the **Family of God**, the **building/temple of God**, and the **Bride of Christ**. Each of these helps us understand our relationship to Christ and to one another as members. We are **functioning parts**/members of Christ's body, we are privileged members (**sons and daughters**) of God's family, we are "**living stones**" in His Temple, and we are **Christ's eternal Bride** as a consequence of our relationship to Christ and one another. There are over forty scriptures that compel us to act out our faith in relationship with "one another."

### Romans 12:4-5

*"For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another."*

### 1 Corinthians 12:12-14

*"For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also is Christ. For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body - whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free - and have all been made to drink into one Spirit. For in fact the body is not one member but many."*

### 1 Corinthians 12:26-27

*"And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; or if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it. Now you are the body of Christ, and members individually."*

## Q: Aren't all true Christians members of the Body of Christ?

### A: Yes, but there is more.

Believers "joined" other believers and "continued" to live their faith together.

### 1 Corinthians 1:10

*"Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment."*

### Ephesians 4:15-16

*"speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head - Christ - from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love."*

(See also: Acts 1:14; 5:13-14; 8:13; 15:35; 18:11; I John 2:19)

## Q: Do I need to be a member to be "saved?"

### A: Nothing in the New Testament suggests this.

# MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

**Q: Do I need to be a member to be a “good Christian?”**

**A: No.**

*But becoming related and accountable to a group of mature believers will help you to be a good Christian.*

You don't need to become a member to fellowship and receive teaching at Bethel Christian Fellowship. Membership is a formalized sign of the commitment in an individual's heart to **join together** for God's glory and mutual benefit. It is to make a pledge to become part of the family at Bethel and it declares a willingness to serve the **Vision and Leadership** of the House. Membership is between the congregation's members, one with another, and the congregation's leaders and members.

**If you want to be a Member, you must:**

- Be sixteen years of age or older
- Have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ (Acts 2:41)
- Be baptized in water following salvation (Acts 2:41)
- Be in agreement with Bethel's **Statement of Faith**
- Sign the **Membership Commitment**
- Submit a completed **Membership Application** and a head and shoulders picture of yourself
- Commit to giving to BCF according to the Biblical Pattern of financial offerings, time and attendance
- Be actively involved in a ministry and or pursuing involvement when membership requirements are fulfilled
- Be willing to submit in general to the guidance of the Apostolic Council, Governing Elders, Pastors, and Ministry Leaders of BCF
- Regularly attend BCF's Sunday Services & Membership Meetings
- View the nine sessions of **“Empowered for Ministry”** (<https://www.bethelcf.com/classes>)
- Join a **Discipleship Group** to work through the “Firm Foundations” Bible Study workbook by Bob & Rose Weiner (book can be purchased at BCF for \$25) or if necessary, complete the study on your own
- Be willing to disciple those you lead to Christ

You will be publicly welcomed into membership at one of Sunday Services.

## **Empowered For Ministry**

We have nine videos on our website—designed to explore our faith, the unique opportunities of being part of a Kingdom Culture, and the awesome Life in Christ that is available to us empowered by the Holy Spirit. When you complete these sessions, you will have a better understanding of the Word of God and the important role of the Holy Spirit in empowering all that you can be in Christ.

The **Empowered For Ministry** videos and the questions that accompany each session are a requirement for anyone who desires to be a member or part of many of the ministries here at BCF. For the questions, please contact us at 232-1136 ext. 10 or [info@bethelcf.com](mailto:info@bethelcf.com).

Topics discussed in the sessions are:

- Bethel's Mission, Vision & Core Values
- Discover Your Gifts
- Faith & Grace
- Forgiveness
- Apostolic Community
- New Covenant Community
- Prophetic Community
- Developing a Lifestyle of Prayer
- Developing a Lifestyle of Worship

# MEMBERSHIP COMMITMENT

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, in agreement with Bethel Christian Fellowship's statements, strategy, requirements, and structure, now feel led by the Holy Spirit to unite with the BCF family. In doing so, I commit myself to God and to the other members to do the following:

## **I Will Protect The Unity Of My Fellowship**

### **...By acting in love toward other members**

"Live in complete harmony with each other - each with the attitude of Christ toward each other." Romans 15:5

### **...By refusing to gossip**

"Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of our mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs..." Ephesians 4:29

### **...By following the leaders**

"Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you..." Hebrews 13:17

## **I Will Share In The Responsibility Of My Fellowship**

### **...By praying for its growth**

"To the church...we always thank God for you and pray for you constantly." I Thessalonians 1:2

### **...By inviting the unchurched to attend**

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

### **...By warmly welcoming those who visit**

"Warmly welcome each other into the church, just as Christ has welcomed you; then God will be glorified." Romans 15:7

### **...By disciplining those I lead to Christ**

"...go and make disciples...and then teach these new disciples to obey all the commands..." Matthew 28:18-20

## **I Will Serve The Ministry Of My Fellowship**

### **...By discovering my gifts and talents**

"Serve one another with the particular gifts God has given you." 1 Peter 4:10

### **...By being equipped by my leaders to serve**

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

### **...By developing a servant's heart**

"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..." Philippians 2:3-4, 7

## **I Will Support The Unity Of My Fellowship**

### **...By attending faithfully**

"Let us not give up the habit of meeting together but let us encourage one another." Hebrews 10:25  
*Let's attend church with the attitude of giving not getting; you never know who you can bless by just being there!*

### **...By living a godly life**

"But whatever happens, make sure that your everyday life is worthy of the gospel of Christ." Philippians 1:27  
*You never know who is watching you. Be a committed Christian when you believe no one is watching. God is!*

### **...By giving regularly**

"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 Corinthians 16:2

"A tenth of all you produce is the Lord's, and it is holy." Leviticus 27:30

*BCF is financed by your giving. Remember, you're giving to God, and the church stewards your financial giving.*

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



# OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU

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*As your leaders, we will foster a trustworthy leadership team that submits to the authority of the Word of God (I Timothy 3:1-13, Titus 1:6-9 & I Peter 5:1-7). We commit to prepare you "for works of service so that the Body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and the knowledge of the Son of God, and become mature attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ" (Ephesians 4:12-13). We will seek to set an example in speech, life, love, faith, and purity (I Timothy 4:12), and accurately teach the Word of Truth (II Timothy 2:15). We are willing shepherds of "God's flock" (I Peter 5:2) holding one another to the expectations written in the Membership Commitment. We will be approachable and teachable and create a church family full of faith, hope, love, and joy!*

# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

PLEASE SUBMIT PICTURE WITH APPLICATION

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Anyone 16 years and older should fill out their own application. Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

The **previous address** below helps us to consolidate any old records from any previous addresses that may be on file.

Previous Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

What is your preferred method of communication?  Mail  Email? May we text you?  Yes  No

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  Cell  Land Phone (alternate): \_\_\_\_\_  Cell  Land

Male  Female Status:  Single  Engaged  Married  Separated  Divorced  Widowed

Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Birthdate: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Marriage Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Is your spouse a believer?  Yes  No Is your spouse applying for membership?  Yes  No

Children (Please list below all the children living at home with you) How many children to you have? \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_  Male  Female

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Have you completed the Firm Foundation Workbook?  Yes  No

Have you requested a letter of transfer from your previous church?  Yes  No

Name of previous church, prior to Bethel? \_\_\_\_\_ Location? \_\_\_\_\_

Were you a member of your previous church?  Yes  No How long have you lived in the area? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you attended Bethel? \_\_\_\_\_ If you're a student: School Name \_\_\_\_\_

Are you ordained or licensed with a denomination?  Yes  No If yes, which one? \_\_\_\_\_

(Optional) Employment: Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Yes No Please check the box either "Yes" or "No".**

- Have you been born again? When? \_\_\_\_\_ Where were you? \_\_\_\_\_
- Have you been baptized in water? When? \_\_\_\_\_ Where \_\_\_\_\_
- Have you been baptized with the Holy Spirit? (*not a requirement for membership*) When? \_\_\_\_\_  
Where? \_\_\_\_\_
- Are you in agreement with our Statement of Faith (see pages 5-6)
- Have you previously been a BCF Member? Approximately when \_\_\_\_\_
- Are you currently part of any type of a Discipleship/Small Group? \_\_\_\_\_

**All membership applicants should have or be preparing for ministry responsibility.**

Please check the areas of ministry you are currently involved in and/or want to be involved in.

We realize some of you do ministry outside of Bethel. Please list these in the appropriate section below.

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|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Ministry                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Volunteer            | <input type="checkbox"/> Parking/Safety          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crisis Meal Preparation                | <input type="checkbox"/> Light Maintenance Volunteer    | <input type="checkbox"/> Prophetic Ministry Team |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decorating                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Media/Tech Team                | <input type="checkbox"/> Usher/Greeter           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> District Involvement                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Men's Ministry                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Worship Team            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elder Care                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Marriage Ministry              | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Ministry          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital Visitation/Pastoral Care Team | <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry of Helps              | <input type="checkbox"/> "Welcome" Team          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality Team                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Missions                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Women's Ministry        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Intercessory Prayer Team               | <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach/City Reach Ministries |  |

Other BCF ministries that are not listed above \_\_\_\_\_

Ministries you are involved in outside of Bethel \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want to become a member of BCF? \_\_\_\_\_

- I give BCF permission to use my photo in a Sunday service or via electronic communication to its members for celebratory reasons or in the event that a situation arises where I and/or my family is in need of prayer.*
- I give BCF leadership permission to contact me for ministry purposes via phone, email or text.*

Now that you have read through this packet, reviewed the membership details on page 8, completed this application, and signed and dated the commitment form, please return the application to either: The Hub on Sunday morning, by mail: Bethel Christian Fellowship, 321 East Ave, Rochester, NY 14604 or email it to [info@bethelcf.com](mailto:info@bethelcf.com). Please also attach a head and shoulders picture of yourself with this application. With any questions, email [info@bethelcf.com](mailto:info@bethelcf.com).