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Membership workbook –
New members

Church Name

# Welcome

Welcome to the CHURCH NAME family. We are so glad that you can begin your journey with us.

* You are an important part of the Body of Christ and thus of our community, and we are committed to grow together in faith, serving and supporting each other.
* We are excited to show you ways how to connect with the body, grow spiritually and make a meaningful impact in our Church
* We are going to work through the pillars of membership in the Church



## Introduction

In this membership training, session we hope to give information on what our Church community culture looks like, what we believe and how you can become part of our community so that we can work together to glorify God and edify the Church.

* Church mission, vision statement
* Pillars of the Church
* Leaders in the Church NAME LEADERS HERE (Church leaders, Bible study leaders, different groups where relevant)
* Community events ADD IN EVENTS SUCH AS WORSHIP TEAM PRACTICES LARGER CHURCH GATHERINGS (conferences where multiple groups get together)
* Communion, Baptism and Baby Dedications
* How to find out what’s happening eg whatsapp groups, social media, intranets, bulletins, bulletin boards

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##  Expectations from the membership training

***To be a member of the Church, we assume the following:***

* You are a born-again believer. *As a believer, we joined the Body of Christ to grow, encourage each other and worship God*.
* You have been baptised as a believer, and want to serve Him
* You have been given gifts from the Holy Spirit to use to edify the Church

Other expectations include:

**Summary:**

* Church membership is a Biblical concept
* The Church is called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Christ



 Read these verses and match the verse to the reference.

**Acts 2:42-47; Hebrews 10:24; Hebrews 10:25; 1 Corinthians 12:12-27; John 10:27; Ephesians 2:19-22; Colossians 3:15-16; Hebrews 3:17**

* Spur one another on towards good deeds \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Have confidence in your leaders, submit as they give an account for you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* We are part of one body \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Devoted to teachings of the Apostles and fellowship \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* We have One Shepherd \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* You are members of one household \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Not neglecting meeting together \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* You were called to peace, admonish one another with wisdom \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_



## Believer’s Gifts

When we become a believer in Christ, we receive the Holy Spirit. The Spirit gives to each one a gift, lets look at some supporting Scripture passages.

*Fill in the missing words*

**Ephesians 4:10-12 (ESV)**

10 He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things. And he gave \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ.

**1 Corinthians 12:8-11 (ESV)**

8 For to one is given through the Spirit the utterance of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and to another the utterance of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ according to the same Spirit, to another \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, by the same Spirit, to another \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, by the one Spirit, to another the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, to another \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, to another the ability to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, to another \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, to another the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

**Romans 12:6-8 (ESV)**

6 Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, in proportion to our faith; if \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, in our serving; the one who \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, in his teaching; the one who \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_; the one who \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, with zeal; the one who does \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, with cheerfulness.

*More Gifts:*

* **Administration**

1 Corinthians 12:28 **(ESV)**

28 And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**, and various kinds of tongues. (Luke 14:28-30; Acts 6:1-7)

* **Craftsmanship** Exodus 30:22, 31:3-11; 2 Chronicles 34:9-13; Acts 18:2-3

The gift of **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** is the strength or ability to plan, build, and work with your hands in construction environments to accomplish multiple ministry applications.

* **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** Hebrews 7:25; Colossians 1:9-12, 4:12-13; James 5:14-16

To stand in the gap in prayer for someone, something, or someplace, believing for profound results.

**Summary**

* When we accept Christ as our Saviour, we become part of a body of believers,
* Romans 12:3 says we should be humble, not to think ourselves more highly than we should, but to use our giftings
* Each part of the body is valuable, with different roles and giftings
* You can have people with the same giftings in different roles eg the gift of teaching can be used in Bible studies, or in Sunday School/Catechism or Kids Ministry
* You can have people in the same roles, with different giftings eg teaching role where one is more gifted in expounding scripture, another in making it practical.
* There are 12 gifts listed which build up the church, this does not mean that there aren’t other gifts given to believers

Which gifts have shown up in the quiz?

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##  Community

Think of some ways your gifts can be put into action in the Church

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Tick which one you think would help you get into the Church community

* Bible Studies
* Life groups
* Small groups
* Outreaches
* Missions
* Ministry

**Opportunities to serve / get involved**



##  Personal Growth as a Believer

Imagine trying to have a relationship with your child, without ever connecting with them. *We encourage you to do the following:*

* Encourage daily Bible reading
* Personal prayer – If you aren’t sure how to pray, here are some helpful:

Start with honouring God, thankyou, repentance / forgiveness, requests for others, government, family, self

* Community - Join in a small group – Bible Study, Life Group
* Join in regular services for worship
* Use coffee and tea times to connect with people, making new friends, encouraging others.