

I. Definition and Responsibilities of Committed Participants

- A committed participant is a person 18 years or older who is convinced that God is calling him/her to be part of the work of establishing a new mission church. Committed participants of a church of the BFC shall give testimony and evidence of faith in Christ and the new birth. They shall be in sympathy with the *Faith & Order*, have been baptized by immersion subsequent to salvation, and seek to live in conformity to the likeness of Jesus Christ.
- Committed participants shall joyfully accept the following responsibilities:
 1. To live in keeping with the doctrines and standards of the Bible Fellowship Church.
 2. To exercise willingly their spiritual gifts in the mission church.
 3. To minister under the direction of the mission church.
 4. To communicate the Gospel to the outside world.
 5. To pray regularly for the church planter and the ministries of the mission church.
 6. To support the program of the mission church financially with the regular giving of tithes and offerings.
 7. To submit to those God has ordained as leaders in the mission church.
 8. To be a faithful part of the ministry and life of the mission church.
 9. To observe the Lord's Supper.
 10. To demonstrate mutual care and concern for others in the mission church.
 11. To protect the unity of the mission church.
- An individual may become a committed participant in the mission church at any time after he/she has given testimony and evidence of faith in Christ, has been baptized by immersion subsequent to salvation, and has agreed to the duties and responsibilities of a committed participant.

II. Process

- The completion of the *Committed Participant Application*.
- An interview with the church planter and at least one member of the Transitional Leadership Team to determine if the candidates satisfactorily meet the requirements and agree to the responsibilities of committed participants.
- Upon our reception into the Bible Fellowship Church (est. 2020), every committed participant will become a charter member of Forks Community Church.