Pastoral Leadership & Congregational Commitment

COMMITMENT AND DECLARATION TO THOSE WE ARE CALLED TO LEAD

Ephesians 4:11-13 NIV

So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, <u>to equip his people for works of service</u>, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

OUR COMMITMENT TO CHRISTIAN VICTORY CHURCH AS A WHOLE

We commit to being leaders people can confidently follow by:

- · Keeping the vision clear and stewarding it faithfully
- Sharing how we can all participate in the vision
- Helping each member find their gifts and identify their calling
- Providing training opportunities to equip people to participate
- Raising up ministries as the Holy Spirit directs

We commit to leading CVC towards the exciting vision the Lord Jesus has given.

We commit to working to provide a safe environment where everyone can develop and grow with confidence. We will train those called to help us to provide pastoral care so the needs of the body can be met.

We commit to the pursuit of excellence in every ministry area of the church.

We commit to being godly examples for you to follow as we follow Christ Jesus. We commit to spending time with God in prayer and the study of the Word, to feed those entrusted to our care from the fresh manna we have received in God's presence.

We commit to ministering the Word with boldness, integrity, and by the leading of the Holy Spirit, so that you are strengthened, edified and set free from the enemy.

We commit to pursuing spiritual gifts; to minister in the power and demonstration of the Holy Spirit, but more importantly, that our lives would display the strong love of God, no matter what situation we are facing.

We commit to leading with boldness, always seeking first to understand what Jesus Christ, the living head of CVC, is asking of us and this body. We determine to do our best not to draw back out of fear or intimidation, but instead pressing forward to be strong and courageous.

We commit not to be people-pleasers, but to please God and serve His church as servant leaders in the way He directs us, even though we know people could misunderstand.

We commit to surrounding ourselves with godly leaders who have permission to speak guidance and counsel into our lives, and to remain humble and teachable.

OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU PERSONALLY

As Christ's servant leaders we commit to serve you as He specifically directs us.

We commit our lives to helping to prepare you to fulfill His plan and purpose for you, as you allow us input into your life.

We commit to using our gifts and callings to the best of our ability, to assist you in fulfilling your role in Christ's body. We will seek God for wisdom, insight and revelation knowledge to understand how to equip you to do the works of God effectively.

We commit to being your coaches, and to encourage you to grow through any circumstance you might find yourself in.

We commit to believing the best of you, speaking the best about you, and when we see a problem that could strain God's bond of love, to speak to you in truth and love so we fight to maintain our relationship in Christ.

We commit to honesty, speaking guidance, instruction or correction into your life as God directs us, to assist in your spiritual development.

We commit to showing you mercy, without being judgmental or critical, and to giving you opportunity for restoration should you stumble in your walk with God.

We commit to honoring and respecting you, seeing you through the eyes of Christ becoming all that he has created you to be.

We commit to praying regularly for you, that Christ may be fully formed within you, that you would know the hope of His calling, for revelation knowledge of His will, and to know the exceeding greatness of His power that works mightily within you. *In the name of Jesus Christ, we make these commitments and ask God for grace to empower us to do our part in fulfilling these commitments.*

In turn, we ask for your understanding, mercy and prayers as we take this journey together; imperfect humans learning to walk in victory, live in love and share the good news that is changing our lives.

Working together for His glory!

The Pastoral Leadership

COMMITMENT OF THOSE CALLED TO BE PART OF THE CVC FAMILY

I commit to:

- Admission that, as a believer, I am also in the ministry of reconciling those God brings across my path back to Him.
- Consistent church attendance so I can grow in my relationships and be trained for works of service.
- Recognize that, no matter how well trained I am, I still have areas of growth and those given oversight will be able to see things that I can't to help me become more effective for the Kingdom.
- Agreement with the Tenants of Faith of CVC accessed at: http://www.cvchurch.ca/about/statement-of-faith/
- Receive the Pastoral Leadership as the head and spiritual authority of this local body, drawing from the Holy Spirit's anointing upon them, receiving counsel, instruction and guidance.
- Finding an area of ministry within the church where I can serve and be further trained.
- Not trying to change this local body to fit my personal tastes, but recognizing that God has given us our style and flavour so that we can reach the people He is calling to CVC.
- Adapting myself to flow with this local body, not to create division, and understanding that there can be more than one right biblical way of doing certain things.
- Praying regularly for the church, its pastors and leaders, etc.
- Walking in love, refusing to gossip or be critical of others.
- Realizing there are people at different places in their walk with Christ within this local body, I will extend grace and mercy to them, encourage and pray for them, and commit to never gossip about them.
- Financially supporting the work of Jesus Christ through this local assembly through my tithes and offerings.
- Having a Pastor pray with me that God would supernaturally graft me into the CVC fellowship.



Members of our congregation are not required to sign this commitment. However, if you wish to submit the signed portion as a symbol of your personal commitment to CVC, you are very welcome to do so.
Date
Name
(please print)
Signature
A member committed to Jesus Christ through His body and under the leadership at Christian Victory Church.
PLEASE ONLY RETURN THE <u>SIGNED</u> PAGE OF THIS BROCHURE TO THE CVC BOOKSTORE LOCATED OFF THE LOBBY.
Once you have turned in the signed section, have one of the Pastors pray with you that God would supernaturally graft you into the fellowship.
CHURCH for people just like you