

Membership and You

Why Church Membership at Ebenezer Mennonite Church is important for you



Membership commits you, the Christian

It's important to commit yourself to love and serve others. You grow as a Christian as you commit to encourage, build up, strengthen, serve, and pray for other Christians. (Heb. 10:24-25)



Membership commits others to you

Becoming a member of Ebenezer means joining with an entire group of Christians who are publicly committed to watch over you spiritually, to love you, and to serve you.



Membership provides pastoral protection and care

If you're a member of Ebenezer, the pastors and deacons are called to care for you, pray for you, and personally counsel and teach you. As leaders of Ebenezer, they are accountable to God for how they lead you (Heb. 13:17).



Membership gives you an opportunity to serve

God has given spiritual gifts to every member of the body of Christ so that everyone would use his or her gifts to build up the entire body (1 Cor. 12:1-31). As a church member, you have the opportunity to serve the church.



Membership provides spiritual support and accountability

Being a church member means that the whole of Ebenezer is committed to helping you live a life that's pleasing to God. (Heb. 3:12). Each member has committed to live by God's Word and Ebenezer's statement of faith. This would exclude a lifestyle and actions that are contrary to God's commands

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Shows Commitment

Committing to membership assures the leadership & congregation that you are committed to encouraging, building up, strengthening, serving, and praying for other Christians. (Heb. 10:24-25)



Brings Understanding

Membership helps the pastors and deacons understand the scope of their calling to protect and to care for the needs of the congregation and the direct responsibility to prioritize this care to those who have committed themselves to church membership



Provides Representation

Being congregationally led, we are dependent on members to make important decisions on pastoral staff, church doctrine, budgets, and more. We desire regular attendees, who affirm Ebenezer's statement of faith, to become members and give input into the life & direction of Ebenezer.



Gives Confidence

God has given spiritual gifts to every member of the body of Christ so that everyone would use his or her gifts to build up the entire body (1 Cor. 12:1-11). Ebenezer expects that all of its members will serve the whole church as God calls them.



Assists Leadership & Collaboration

The Scripture says, "Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you" (Heb. 13:17).