



Membership Application

Name:		Date:	
Name of Spouse:		Email:	
Address:		City:	State: Zip:
Telephone:		Secondary Telephone:	
SW Florida Residency: <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent , <input type="checkbox"/> Seasonal. Location of other residency:			
Date of Birth:		Wedding Anniversary:	
Children's Names and Birthdates:			

MEMBERSHIP SAYS...

I belong here. I sense that God wants me here with the people of Harvest Bible Chapel at this time in my walk with Christ, and I want to make a public declaration that you are committed to God's work through this church. ***And God says that believers belong together*** (Hebrews 10:23-25).

I affirm, believe, and support the teaching of this church. I desire to be in community with people of like mind and conviction and embrace the authority of God's Word in my life and the life of the church. ***And God says the believers had all things in common including devotion to the Apostles' teaching*** (Acts 2:42-47).

I believe in the mission of Harvest. I believe that Jesus has a work to do in Naples and around the world, and I am willing to use my gifting, resources and passion to join with others who have the same vision to see that it gets done. ***And God says that believers are to be committed to one another for the sake of spiritual impact*** (Ephesians 4:16).

I am accountable to mature brothers and sisters in Christ for my walk with God. I want to receive the guidance, equipping, and assistance necessary to remain on target and do not want to go it alone in standing for Jesus Christ. ***And God warns against spiritual independence*** (Hebrews 10:24-25; Matthew 18:15-20).

I accept the authority of the Pastors and leaders in this church. I commit to support the elders, deacons, and other church leaders who are called to serve the congregation and will do my part to contribute to a healthy church body. ***And God says that we should honor and submit to godly leaders*** (Hebrews 13:17).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

How long have been attending Harvest?

How has attending Harvest impacted your life?

Why would you like to become a member of Harvest Bible Chapel?

Baptism

I have accepted Christ as my Savior, but have not been baptized.
Please contact me about being baptized.

I have already been baptized since becoming a follower of Christ.
Where and when were you baptized?

Previous Church

I left my last church in good standing and there are no unresolved issues.
If otherwise, please explain.

CONNECTION

Whose small group are you currently a part of and when did you start attending?

Where are you serving (what area of ministry) the needs of others within the Harvest family?

MY TESTIMONY OF PERSONAL FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST

In order to become a member of Harvest Bible Chapel, you need to have a clear testimony of personal faith in Jesus Christ. Please follow this outline to write out your testimony. *Please write legibly or type out your story.*

Before I trusted in Christ my life was...

PREPARING YOUR STORY

Writing out your story of personal faith in Jesus Christ is a wonderful exercise to reflect on how God has worked in your life to draw you to Himself.

As you consider your testimony, realize that you are a unique person in God's eyes. You have your own story to tell. However, make sure the focus is on what God has done and is doing in your life.

The three-part outline is helpful for guiding your testimony:

I once was...

Spend a brief time on "before." This is not a biography from childhood. It is best to start at a time in life which relates to your experience with Christ.

But Christ...

Be as specific as possible. When and where did you surrender your life to Christ? What was happening in your life at the time? If you know the month and year, share that. How did you surrender your life to the Lord?

And now...

Be practical. Explain how Christ has changed your life. Share how you are growing in your walk with Christ. "Just as you have received him, so walk in him, rooted and built up and strengthened in the faith" (Colossians 2:6-7).

This is how and when I trusted in Jesus Christ as my Savior...

Here are one or two ways Christ has changed my life...

MEMBERSHIP COMMITMENTS

- I have by faith become a follower of Jesus Christ and I have been baptized as a visible way of demonstrating that commitment.
- Because a disciple **worships Christ**, I will attend and fully participate in weekend worship services at Harvest.
- Because a disciple **walks with Christ**, I will seek to maintain consistent disciplines of Bible study, prayer, and personal witness. I will walk in fellowship with other believers at Harvest by participating in the Small Group ministry at some level and will work to maintain unity and peace in my relationships in this church.
- Because a disciple **works for Christ**, I will seek a place to serve at Harvest and will financially support the ministries of Harvest by faithfully giving back to the Lord a biblical portion of my income/finances.

DOCTRINE

- I have read the Doctrinal Statement of Harvest Bible Chapel.
- I am in agreement with the Doctrinal Statement of Harvest Bible Chapel.
- I have these questions and/or concerns regarding the Doctrine of Harvest Bible Chapel.

I have shared truthfully in this application and am in agreement with the commitments for membership as stated above.

Applicant signature:

Date:

Interviewer Notes

Name/Date:

**To schedule a Membership Interview,
please complete this form and submit it to Pastor John at: john@harvestnaples.org**