



PRE-MARITAL COVENANT

We believe that marriage between a man and a woman is a holy and sacred gift from God. As such, we desire that couples approach marriage according to biblical standards and in a way that is pleasing to God. Before we can proceed with pre-marital counseling, please review, discuss, sign, and return this agreement.

Living Water Community Church pastors reserve the right to decline to officiate and/or hosting a wedding of a couple that does not agree with this covenant.

Here at Living Water Community Church, we believe marriage is:

1. A **Covenant of Belief** – Believing that God has intended Christians to marry Christians, we require that both the bride and groom individually have repented of their sin, received Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior, and have made a commitment of their lives for Him. (1 Corinthians 6:14-16; Romans 10:9-10)
2. A **Covenant of Purity** – Believing that sexual intimacy was designed and is intended only for the marriage relationship, we ask that you agree to abstain from any sexual relations until you are officially married to one another. Also, believing that living arrangements that include cohabitation before the wedding is contrary to biblical teaching and harmful for one's marriage, we ask that you agree to separate living arrangements until you are officially married. (1 Corinthians 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13)
3. A **Covenant of Faithfulness** – Believing that the church is used by God to strengthen your marriage, we ask that you find a place of involvement in the church and pursue a lifestyle of faithfulness. (Hebrews 10:19-25)

We agree:

- To make a vow to God and one another for a lifetime covenant of marriage.
- To enthusiastically engage in the pre-marital preparation and counseling process and submit to the pastoral direction given.
- That we have read, agree, and will abide by the above.

Signed (Groom): _____ Date: _____

Signed (Bride): _____ Date: _____

**(Please keep a copy of this form for your records and
sign and return the original to Living Water.)**

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