

About membership in the Barrhaven Harvest Church Community

The New Testament Scriptures, in particular Romans 12, 1 Corinthians 12 and Ephesians 5, depict the Church as the body Christ to illustrate that we are all part of the same unit yet we all have different functions. Just as becoming a believer requires a verbal confession of faith and is confirmed through baptism, when it comes to the local church, we believe becoming a member of a local church community also requires a verbal confession and commitment.

Below is the verbal commitment that we ask persons wishing to commit to the people and work of Barrhaven Harvest Church to make.

New Member Covenant

I, _____, desire to enter into a covenant with the existing members of the Barrhaven Harvest Church community, to love, support and serve alongside these members and to willingly submit to and support the leadership of Barrhaven Harvest Church in any way possible. I hereby enter into this covenant today in the presence of God and of these witnesses. May God bless our communion, founded and centered around Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Leadership Response

I/We, the leader(s) of the Barrhaven Harvest Church community, willingly accept this covenant and commit to praying for and otherwise caring for and nurturing you, _____, in any way possible. I/We hereby enter into this covenant today in the presence of God and of these witnesses. May God bless our communion, founded and centered around Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit.

New Leader Covenant

I, _____, being a member of the Barrhaven Harvest Church community, desire to enter into a leadership role to further serve this community. I hereby enter into a covenant, in the presence of God and of these witnesses, to serve this community selflessly and wholeheartedly by the power of the Holy Spirit. May God bless this covenant.

Notes

The covenants made above are to be spoken publicly at a gathering of the church.

The New Member Covenant makes people members of the church community but not of the charitable corporation. Elders alone may be members of the corporation.

All elders must first make the leadership covenant; all leaders do not necessarily become elders.

Elders of the Barrhaven Harvest Church community are recognized and set apart by an NCMI apostolic team member. They may subsequently become members of the charitable corporation by being voted in, as such, by the existing members of the corporation.