



Welcome.

What is church membership?

Unlike membership at a gym or a country club, church membership is relational. It's an individual commitment to be part of the whole church body. Together we pursue the unique mission that God has given Olathe Bible Church.



Why be a member?

1. It's God's Design for His Church

We weren't meant to do faith alone. The concept of membership is biblical. Believers in the Bible clearly identified themselves with a specific local body for worship, teaching and mutual encouragement. These local churches are part of the larger body of Christ followers throughout the world.

2. Increased Impact

Alone, our impact is small. Together, our impact is exponential. As a church member, each person contributes his or her passions and talents so that we may have a greater impact on our community and world.

3. A Sense of Belonging

Everyone wants to belong to something. We desire the benefits that come from being part of a group. Membership allows us to learn from each other, share in good times, get support during difficult challenges, and shows us that we have value because we contribute to a larger cause.

4. Spiritual Growth

We've all heard the phrase "iron sharpens iron." Becoming a member provides opportunities for spiritual growth in even deeper capacities. Jesus tells us to surround ourselves with other believers in a committed church body to help each other grow in the knowledge and understanding of Christ. The relationships formed with other church members often lead to deeper spiritual conversations and studies.

5. Ownership in the Local Body

Membership takes you from being an observer of the church to being a participant in the church. It's switching from "they" to "we" when talking about OBC. Members have a say in the direction and policies of the church, as well as how we pursue our mission.

6. Accountability

Accountability for members comes in two ways. First, we have a responsibility to love and care for one another and help keep each other on the right path. Members are willing to be corrected and redirected by one another so that our lives exemplify Godly character. Second, we allow the church leadership to keep us in alignment with the philosophy and strategy for how we do ministry at Olathe Bible Church.



Requirements for membership at Olathe Bible Church.

1. A statement of faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, and evidence of a desire to live a consistent Christian life.
2. An understanding of the essentials of Christian doctrine and belief.
3. Believer's baptism.
4. A statement indicating consent to the Church Covenant, Confession of Faith, and the Constitution of Olathe Bible Church.
5. Agreement to abide by Olathe Bible Church policies on member discipline.
6. Completion of Discover OBC.
7. Interview with representatives from the Elder Board.

Take the next step towards membership.

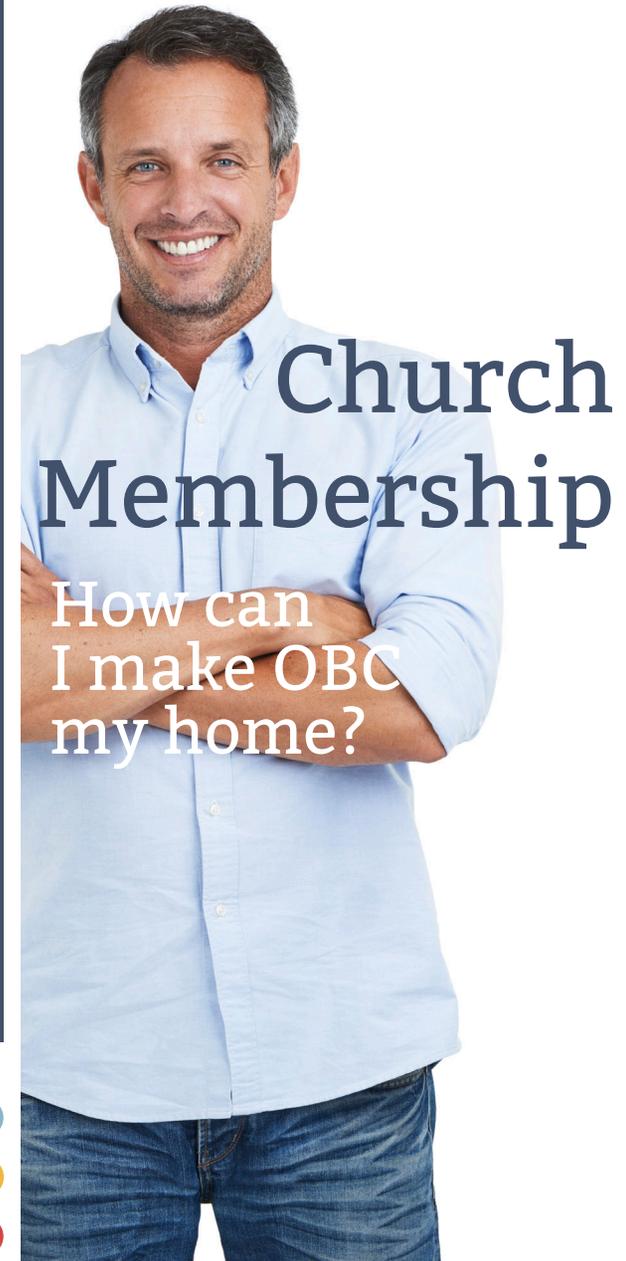
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