

## *West Philadelphia Mennonite Fellowship Covenant of Membership*

*In the midst of this congregation, O God, today I covenant with you to:*

1. *Accept the Lordship of Jesus Christ.*
2. *Honor your written Word as my authority for life and faith, interpreting the Scriptures in light of the life and teachings of Jesus.\**
3. *Give prayerful attention to following Jesus' example and teachings, opening myself daily to the grace and truth of Christ as your Spirit enables me.*
4. *Consciously enter your presence in regular times of Bible study, meditation and prayer; and join with brothers and sisters in regular gathered worship.*

*Brothers and sisters in Christ, today I covenant with you to:*

5. *Use my spiritual gifts in this body of Christ and in the congregation's ministries in the neighborhood, city and world.*
6. *Be mutually accountable, that we may enable each other to follow Christ in our daily lives; and when we have conflicts to resolve them according to the teachings of Jesus.\*\**
7. *Make this congregation a priority in my life, committing my resources - time, money and talents - giving as God makes me prosper.*
8. *Intentionally call forth and support diversity in leadership.*

*As sisters and brothers in this fellowship, O God, today we jointly covenant with you to:*

9. *Witness in word and deed, in our homes and in public, to the present and future kingdom of God revealed in Jesus Christ.*
10. *Faithfully support the congregation's servants in ministries near and far through prayer, communication, and material gifts, opening ourselves to service in your name, wherever you may lead.*

*\*In this, I will use the 1995 Confession of Faith in a Mennonite Perspective as my general guide to interpreting the Scriptures.*

*\*\*Matthew 18:15-22.*

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