



A P O S T O L I C
T A B E R N A C L E

New Converts Member Orientation

The Church with the *APOSTOLIC DOCTRINE*
and the *TABERNACLE GLORY*

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Welcome to Apostolic Tabernacle Church

We are thankful to the Lord that He has brought you to us to be a part of our Apostolic family. As the world is in such great turmoil and without hope, it is such a comfort to our souls that we have a home to go to that we may give of our worship and praise to the Lord. Greater still, to worship the Lord in fellowship of loving brothers and sisters that share the same joy!



Our intention in providing you this course is to give you a better understanding of what it means to belong to a Church, especially Apostolic Tabernacle. When we were in the world, we were selfish and self - centered, looking out for ourselves. Now that we have entered the family of God, we learn to give of ourselves to His service, to think of our fellow brothers and sisters even before ourselves, to hold dear our families as a true gift of the Lord.

It is our sincere desire that you benefit from this membership course. That the Lord through His wonderful grace and mercy extend to you the feeling that “I belong to a big and wonderful family, the family of God!

With Love,

Pastor Moses & First Lady Diane Mendoza



HOURS

Schedule of Services:

SUNDAY

12:00PM-Chosen Generation Classes for Children

12:00pm-Prayer

1:00pm-Worship Service (Bilingual)

WEDNESDAY

6:00PM-Prayer

7:00PM-Wednesday Warriors Classes for Children

7:00PM-Worship Service (English & Spanish)

INTRODUCTION

We are excited that you have decided to put your faith in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, repenting (*turning away from a life of sin*) and obeying the gospel by being born again of the Water and Spirit in the Name of Jesus Christ (*John 3:3-5, Acts 2:38*).

We welcome you as a member of the Church of Jesus Christ which is the Apostolic Church, for it was “Built on the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone” (*Ephesians 2:20*). All individuals need a Spiritual Leader (*Pastor*) and local Church (*body of believer’s*), we want you to call Apostolic Tabernacle Home, and this is the reason we offer this course. As a new Brother or Sister, we want you to know the importance of belonging to a local Church, and that one would know what is expected from you as you become a member.

We encourage you to prayerfully open your heart, that the Lord may establish you in all Love, knowledge and faithfulness as a member of ATC.

BEING A MEMBER

“For as we have many members (*organs*) in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, so we being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another (*function together as a whole*).”

Romans 12:4-5

I am now a member of the Body of Christ, to be part of and to function with other members of the body.

Just as a member (*organ*) of the physical body cannot function by itself or apart from the rest of the body, so we must also be part of a church in order to keep alive in Christ.

“Abide in me, and I in you. as a branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me...” *John 15:4,6*

The main reason you become part of the body is to be nourished and sustained by the ministries (*functions*) of other members of the body. To live separate from the body will only bring spiritual death. The key is to stay connected to the church and the people of God. This will strengthen your new walk of life.

“For there are diversities of gifts, but the same spirit.” *1 Corinthians 12:4*

“And the eye cannot say to the hand, I have no need of you; nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you.” *1 Corinthians 12:21*

“For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many are one body, so also is Christ.” *1 Corinthians 12:12*

“IF anyone does not abide in me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered.”
John 15:6

“I will be a Father to you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, Says the LORD Almighty.” *2 Corinthians 6:18*

As we have become a part of the family of God, we also became Children of God through Faith in Christ Jesus. Because you were Born of God you become part of God’s Children, He is now your Father and within this family are brother’s and sister’s.

“For you are ALL sons (and daughter’s) of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you who were Baptized into Christ have put on Christ.”
Galatians 3:26-27

“Elders (Pastor) exhort him as a Father (*show him the respect as you would a father*), Younger men as Brothers. Older Women as Mothers (*especially the Pastors wife*), younger women as Sisters with all purity.” *1 Timothy 5:1-2*

As Family we take care of each other because we are part of each other united together by Christ.

“...for you are ALL ONE in Christ Jesus” *Galatians 3:28*

“A new commandment (*it’s not optional*) I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you (*God loved us when we did not deserve it*) that you also love one another. By this all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love one for another.” *John 13:34-35*

We are now considered children of the light and not of darkness which means by the un merit-able favor of God that we have been transformed and translated from a life of sin and corruption that would have resulted in death and judgement.

“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” *Romans 6:23*

To a life of Godliness lived in Holiness out of gratitude for what Christ has done for us.

“You are all sons (*and daughters*) of Light and sons (*and daughters*) of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.” *1 Thessalonians 5:5*

“Therefore, brethren by the mercies of God, present your bodies a living sacrifice, **HOLY**, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.”

Romans 12:1

“Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers (*do not make mis-mated alliances with them who are inconsistent with your faith*): for what fellowship has righteousness with unrighteousness? and what in common has light with darkness”?... Or what part has a believer with an unbeliever?”
2 Corinthians 6:14-15

How can we win the lost or represent God if we are indulging in sinful acts?

“Wherefore come out from among them (*unbelievers*), and be ye separate, saith the Lord...” *2 Corinthians 6:17*

“As you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, walk in (*union with*) Him (reflecting His character in the things you say and do – living lives that lead others away from sin)” *Colossians 2:6*

“You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons: you cannot partake of the Lord’s table and the table of demons.” *1 Corinthians 10:21*

As Christians we identify ourselves with Jesus’s death, burial and resurrection, when we were baptized into Christ, therefore we are to consider ourselves dead to sin and alive to God.

“How shall WE who died to sin live any longer in it? Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore, we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the father, even so we also should WALK (take action) in newness of life.”
Romans 6:1-4

Everything we do should reflect the God who saved us, our conversation, our conduct, the things we entertain, and the things we allow to entertain us. We have buried the old man who lived unto sinful pleasures and put on the new man who is made in the image of the Holy God (*Colossians 3:5,8-10*). It is our duty to set our affections on things pleasing to God and to rid ourselves of worldliness and the habits of the mind and flesh, for if we do not kill these sinful habits they will kill us!

In everything we do we can glorify our God whether in conversation, in conduct in thought and deed.

“And whatever you do in word and deed, do all in the name of the lord Jesus...” *Colossians 3:17*

God is a jealous God! He has called you out from partaking and participating in the wrong the world is involved in, from

fellowshipping and partaking in sinful acts and conduct of the world. You are now placed among God's people and have become a child of light, doing your very best to live for God and resisting temptation and sin. You are now to be a light or example to them in darkness and lead them into this great salvation God has given you.

“Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven” (*Matthew 5:16*)

WHAT IS THE CHURCH?

The word “Church” comes from the Greek word “Ecclesia” which means “a called-out assembly.” To those who become members become called out people who have taken the name of Jesus.

“You did not choose me, but I chose you.” *John 15:16*

“... our Lord Jesus Christ, from whom the whole Family in heaven and earth is named” *Ephesians 3:14-15*

We have made a stand for Him to be part of His body and Family, committed and devoted unto his Word and purpose. Everyone in the New Testament who gave their lives to God became part of the Church that Jesus is calling and establishing for all eternity.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE CHURCH?

To worship together as a Family

“Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!” *Psalms 133:1*

“to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.” *Ephesians 3:21*

“Till I come give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine.”

1 Timothy 4:13

To Grow together: Spiritual maturity in God’s word and Spirit

“And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.” *Acts 2:42*

“And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment.” *Philippians 1:9*

Fellowship: Strengthen together, edify and grow with each other in God

“Therefore comfort each other and edify one another, just as you also are doing.” *1 Thessalonians 5:11*

“As iron sharpens iron, so a man sharpens the countenance of his friend.” *Proverbs 27:17*

Ministry: What God has for you to do

“And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ.” *Ephesians 4:11-12*

“There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all. But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all.” *1 Corinthians 12:4-7*

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Evangelism: To reach a lost world for Christ

“But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” *Acts 1:8*

“Sanctify them by your truth. Your Word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, I also have sent them into the world.” *John 12:17-18*

“I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in me through their word.” *John 17:20*

Your Purpose, Vision and Faith in God’s Kingdom

It is of vital importance for you to maintain what God has done for you by keeping the desire alive. So, becoming totally involved in the Church will not only maintain what God did but will also help you grow in God.

OUR LOCAL CONGREGATION

Our purpose/Why we exist

To reach the World with the Gospel

“And He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature.” *Mark 16:15*

“...I will also give you as a light to the Gentiles, that you should be my salvation to the ends of the earth.” *Isaiah 49:6*

To Establish believers in God

God Ordained the ministry to set believers on a firm foundation of faith.

“Minster of God, our fellow laborer in the Gospel of Christ, to establish you and encourage you concerning your faith.”
Thessalonians 3:2

“All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.” *2 Timothy 3:16-17*

To Equip Members with Their Ministry

The Church equips you with proper teaching (*sound doctrine*), preaching (*anointed word of God*) and guidance to live Godly lives and be effective in your function (*ministry*) and purpose in Gods kingdom.

“Instead, speaking the truth in love, we may grow up in all things into Him who is the head, that is Christ. From whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supply, according to the effective working by which every part

does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.” *Ephesians 4:15-16*

“Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith; or ministry, let us use it in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.” *Romans 12:6-8*

To Provide A Church Family

As a Family we love each other and are here for one another through the good and the bad times seeking to do the will of God together.

“Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another; not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer; distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality.” *Romans 12:10-13*

“By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.” *John 13:35*

OUR VISION

What we seek to accomplish

Establish a place to find God to learn and do His will and to find one's purpose in life.

A place to preach the gospel

God Ordained Preaching and Preachers as a means of interpreting and transferring the Word of God to believers.

“How shall they hear without a Preacher?” So, then faith comes by hearing, and hearing the word of God.” *Romans 10”14,17*

A place to call our own: Church Home

We are Family in God and our Local Church is our Home where we grow together and love each other

“Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.” *Ephesians 2:19*

“Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.” *Galatians 6:10*

A place for Christian education

The Church has Adult ministries and Children ministries for the purpose of imparting the Word of God and building up the believer in all faith and good works.

“For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope.” *Romans 15:4*

Children's Ministry is of Very high Importance as well, it comes with a promise from God for bringing your Child up in the His ways. Those who have children we strongly encourage you to make it your priority that your child takes part in what we have to offer.

“Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.” *Proverbs 22:6*

Without these Ministries and without Godly Education the people perish!

“My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge....” *Hosea 4:6*

OUR DECLARATION OF FAITH

Our Faith: What We Believe

“The foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God, of the doctrine of Baptisms...” (*Hebrews 6:1-2*)

The universal need for Salvation

We Believe the Word of God declares that all human beings are sinners and in need of Salvation.

Who can say, “I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin?”
Proverbs 20:9

“But we are all like an unclean thing, and all our righteousness are like filthy rags; we all fade as a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.” *Isaiah 64:6*

“What then? Are we better than they? Not at all. For we have previously charged both Jews and Greeks that they are all under sin.” *Romans 3:9*

“The fool has said in his heart, there is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none who does good. The Lord looks down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there are any who understand, who seek God. They have all turned aside, they have together become corrupt; There is none who does good, No, not one.”
Psalm 14:1-3

Because we are all sinner’s mankind is under the sentence of Death

“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” *Romans 6:23*

“Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.” *James 1:15*

We believe in Faith in Jesus Christ and his provision for salvation

Not only is every human needing salvation, there is nothing man can do to save ourselves. No amount of good works not even keeping the whole law can save man. Salvation Can only be obtained by believing in Jesus Christ for the atonement of our sins and the provision of eternal life that God provided through His death, burial and resurrection. Not by our works for none of us could pay the price for salvation. Therefore, believing in what Jesus did as the lamb of God is the first step to identifying ourselves with the New Covenant God made with us by His Grace (un merit-able favor).

“... you will die in your sins if you do not BELIEVE.” *John 8:24*

“For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast...” *Ephesians 2:8-10*

“Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved.” *Acts 16:31*

WE believe Repentance (the decision of turning away from your previous life style of sin unto living for God) is the following step after believing the Gospel.

“Therefore, bear fruits worthy of repentance.” *Matthew 3:8*

“The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.” *2 Peter 3:9*

“No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.” *Luke 13:13*

“The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.” *Mark 1:15*

We Believe in the New Birth experience

As a must to enter the kingdom of God. We believe this is more than just a public confession of faith but it is a Command of Jesus Christ to his Followers that is to be obeyed by both Jew and gentile

(everyone). We believe for one to be born again by the incorruptible Word of God, we must identify ourselves with the gospel (death, burial and resurrection) which is done through water baptism in Jesus Name for there is salvation in no other, and the infilling of the Holy Spirit which is evidenced by the speaking in tongues.

“Jesus answered and said to him, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.”

“Jesus answered, most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.” *John 3:3,5*

“He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.” *Mark 16:16*

“and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.”
Luke 24:47

“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father (*father is a title*) and of the Son (*is a title*) and of the Holy Spirit (*is a title*).” *Matthew 28:19*

The Name given for salvation is Jesus!

“let it be known to you all, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead... the chief cornerstone.... Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.” *Acts 4:10-12*

“Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.” *Acts 2:38*

“While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who heard the word. And those of the circumcision (the Jews) who believed were astonished, ... because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles also. For they heard them speak with tongues.....
“Can anyone forbid water, that these should not be baptized who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” And he “**COMMANDED**” them to be baptized in the name of the Lord....” *Acts 10:45-48*

We Believe in living a life of Holiness

Refraining from all that is morally wrong and displeasing to God. Separation from all forms and works of sinfulness and things that pertain to the kingdom of darkness. We believe in living a Godly life in all of our conduct and conversation also in our appearance, not as a means of getting saved but we live Holy because we are saved, we live holy because we belong to a holy God!

“... but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, since it is written, “You shall be holy, for I am holy.” And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, ... (exile while on this earth away from our home in heaven) “But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.”

1 Peter 1:13-25 & 2:9

“Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So, glorify God in your body.” *1 Corinthians 6:19-20*

“In like manner also, that the women (and men) adorn themselves in modest apparel, with propriety and moderation, not with braided hair or gold or pearls or costly clothing, but, which is proper for women (and men) professing godliness, with good works.” *1 Timothy 2:9-10*

We Believe in the Oneness of God

That God is Spirit and a Spirit has not flesh and bones. That God has manifested himself in various theophanies (theophanies is a visible manifestation to humankind of God) such as a man or the Angel of the Lord, etc. (*see Genesis 18:1-33:24*) However in the fulness of time, God took upon himself the form of man in the person of Jesus Christ, that Jesus was the Son of God by conception. But the One and Only God being manifested in the flesh.

“God is Spirit...” *John 4:24*

“There is. One Spirit...” *Ephesians 4:4*

“And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifested in the flesh...” (manifested means the spirit was made visible in the body of Jesus) *1 Timothy 3:16*

“God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself.” 2
Corinthians 5:19

“For in Him (Jesus) dwells the fulness of the Godhead
bodily.” *Colossians 2:9*

We Believe in the rapture of the Church

That Jesus Christ at a time only God knows is going to call his Church home we believe this event will happen before the Great Tribulation. We believe that those in the graves who died in Christ and those who are alive will be caught up together in a moment in the twinkling of an eye, that our earthly bodies will be changed into heavenly bodies and we will all meet up together in Heaven to be with the Lord forever.

“Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear His voice. and come forth--those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation.”
John 5:28-29

“Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.” *1 Corinthians 15:51-53*

“For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an

archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus, we shall always be with the Lord.”
1 Thessalonians 4:15-17

“For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.” *1 Thessalonians 5:9*

OUR VALUES What we practice

Spiritual Maturity: Becoming like Him

“Him we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus.” *Colossians 1:28-29*

Faithfulness: Serving, Living and Bearing fruits unto God

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long suffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness.” *Galatians 5:22*

Church attendance: Being faithful to the house of the Lord

“Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.” *Hebrews 10:25*

Tithing & Offerings

We believe in giving God ten percent of our income and the offering set forth by the leadership of the Church. This is for the

purpose of supporting the ministry and the functions of the Church.

We have designed a monthly offering as a church body to give a sacrificial offering for those that make under \$1000.00 to give at least \$30.00 offering per month. Individuals that make more than \$1000.00 a month to give a sacrificial offering of at least \$60.00 a month.

We believe biblically that we tithe on every monetary blessing the Lord gives us.

“Will a man rob God? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, 'In what way have we robbed You?' In tithes and offerings... Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house, and try Me now in this," Says the Lord of hosts, “If I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you such blessing That there will not be room enough to receive.” *Malachi 3:8-10*

“But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully... for God loves a cheerful giver.”
2 Corinthians 9:6-7

“Honor the Lord with your possessions, And with the first fruits of all your increase.” *Proverbs 3:9*

Loving and Caring for each other:

“Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows

God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.” *1 John 4:7-8*

“For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.” *Galatians 5:13*

Worship: Expressing our love and adoration unto the Lord

“Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song, And His praise in the assembly of saints.” *Psalms 149:1*

Prayer

For it is the foundation of the church. Through prayer we see the fullness of the will of God being done. To have a strong demonstration of God's spirit, move in services and lives we need the power of prayer!

“If my people who are called by my name will humble themselves, and pray and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land” *2 Chronicles 7:14*

“It is written,” he said to them, ‘My house will be called a house of prayer’.” *Matthew 21:13*

OUR PLAN

History of Apostolic Tabernacle Church

- Our Church was founded August 29, 1971 by Bishop Joe & Mother Celia Mendoza.

Our Outreach Programs

- Home Bible studies (one-on-one).
- Hospital visits
- K-12 Apostolic Christian Academy (Christian School)
- Door to door and homeless ministry
- Men's Rehabilitation Christian Home (Restoration Life Center)
- Vacation Bible School

Our Structured Spiritual Development Classes

- Wednesday & Sunday School for children
- Wednesday & Sunday Bible study for Adults
- Special Conferences and Seminars for spiritual education and maturity

How You are a part of this plan

You are an important part of the Body of Christ and the Family of God. Remember that God has personally chosen you!!

“Because God from the beginning chose you for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth.” 2
Thessalonians 2:13

MY CHURCH FAMILY GIVES ME

God's power to live on

“For it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure.” *Philippians 2:13*

God's principles to live by

- Read the Bible daily and believe in the Word!
- Learn how to pray and pray daily!
- Be filled with, rely on and walk in the Holy Spirit!
- Attend Church faithfully!
- Be a witness of the goodness of God and his power to heal and save!
- Do everything with love!
- Be Obedient to the Word of God and those who have authority over you in the Lord!
- Avoid Temptation!
- Serve the Lord with gladness!
- Be forgiving!

Welcome to Apostolic Tabernacle Church!
MEMBERSHIP COVENANT

Having believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, His plan of Salvation and knowing what it is to be a part of the body of Christ; I commit my unity to Apostolic Tabernacle Church as my Church Family. In doing so I commit myself unto God and to the other members to do the following:

I will protect the unity of my Church: By acting in love towards other members

“Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart” *1 Peter 1:22*

I will refuse to gossip

“Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers.” *Ephesians 4:29*

I will obey the Leaders of the Church

“Obey those who rule over you, and be submissive, for they watch out for your souls, as those who must give account. Let them do so with joy and not with grief, for that would be unprofitable for you.” *Hebrews 13:17*

I will share the responsibility of my Church: By praying for its growth

“And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us.” *1 John 5:14*

I will invite the unchurched

“Then the master said to the servant, 'Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled.’” *Luke 14:23*

I will warmly welcome those who visit

“Therefore receive one another, just as Christ also received us, to the glory of God.” *Romans 15:7*

I will serve the Ministry of my Church: By discovering my gifts and talents

“As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.” *1 Peter 4:10*

I will keep a servant’s heart

“Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others. Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus.” *Philippians 2:3-5*

I will honor and serve my Pastor

“Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching.”
1 Timothy 5:17

I will support the testimony of my Church

By attending faithfully

“Not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.” *Hebrews 10:25*

“I will know that you stand firm in the one Spirit, striving together as one for the faith of the gospel” *Philippians 1:27*

By living a Godly life

“Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age.”
Titus 2:12

By giving regularly: Tithes, offerings and special offerings

“And all the tithes of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's. It is holy to the Lord.”

Leviticus 27:30

Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, “It is more blessed to give than to receive.” *Acts 20:35*



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I have completed my New Converts Membership Orientation and understand my role as a member of Apostolic Tabernacle Church.

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Signature: _____ Date: _____