

Policy of New Life Christian Community
By the Approval of New Life Christian Community

Vision

Community Commitment

All hands on deck protocol

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Statement of Provision

We recognize that as a missional Christian community we are to be one body where we are to be committed to one another.

Accordingly:

1. There will be no community membership, in which an individual is admitted to the community roll by a majority vote and by which an individual acquires a voting right in community business.
2. After four months of a Christian's regular attendance of an NLCC community, the Elders will approach the Christian to discuss the Christian's interest for being a part of and involved in NLCC.
3. Upon completion of the commitment process the Christian will be listed to be involved in leadership and teaching within NLCC.
4. It is expected that all Christians who successfully complete the commitment process will endeavor to use their spiritual gifts, abilities and resources for the greater benefit of the NLCC missional community to which they belong.

Procedure

To complete the commitment process:

1. An Elder will approach the Christian to assess the Christian's interest in community commitment and involvement. The Elder will pass on NLCC's Statement of Faith, Distinctives, Vision and Ends policies to the Candidate for review. The Elder or Pastor shall be available to answer the Christian's questions on these documents and address any questions about NLCC.
2. The Candidate (Christian) will share his or her testimony with the Council of Elders.
3. The Elders shall ask questions of the Candidate to determine his or her understanding of essential Christian doctrine, the NLCC Statement of Faith, the NLCC Distinctives and the Vision of the community as a whole. The Elders shall also use the "Candidate Questions for Community Commitment Roll" while questioning the Candidate.
4. Upon the acceptance of the Candidate's testimony and answers to the Elders' examination, the Candidate will complete a review of the discipleship "orientation" book on Church Covenant (Commitment) under the guidance of at least one Elder.
5. Upon successful completion of procedures 1-4 above, the Elders will extend the right-hand of fellowship and add the candidate to the leadership and teaching roll.

Attached Forms

FRM-01 Candidate Questions for Community Commitment Roll