

Mercy Hill Church Membership Statement

I acknowledge that I am a Christian; that I have been saved from the wrath of God solely by His grace through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ alone. I also acknowledge that I have been (or will soon be) baptized in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

I have read, understand, and agree with the Essential Beliefs for Mercy Hill Church Membership, and I have heard and understood the Doctrine, Passions, and Practices class material; and having considered these items I desire to become a member of Mercy Hill Church.

In view of God's saving grace in Christ Jesus, relying on the power of the Holy Spirit, and desiring to do everything from faith, without compulsion or obligation, I purpose to:

1. Regularly seek the Lord through prayer, Bible study, and fellowship.
2. Regularly participate in the encouragement of one another and the building up of the body in love at Mercy Hill Church.
3. Partner with Mercy Hill Church in bringing the Gospel to San Jose and to the nations.
4. Practice good stewardship of my body, time, talents, spiritual gifts and finances through regular participation in ministry at Mercy Hill Church, and through regular and cheerful giving to Mercy Hill Church, and to other ministries as I feel called.
5. Preserve the unity, purity, and peace of the church by practicing the humble and loving attitude of Christ, considering the needs of others, avoiding gossip, not sowing discord, and nurturing godly relationships.
6. Follow biblical church discipline per Matthew 18:15-17 and be responsive to discipline if the need should ever arise.
7. Pray for the leaders of Mercy Hill Church and submit to their leadership as they faithfully submit to Christ.
8. Come under the Scriptures as the final authority on all issues.

I understand that I should not delay to notify a leader of Mercy Hill Church (either an elder or a home group leader) if I have any concerns regarding Mercy Hill Church or my membership, or if the Lord is calling me away from Mercy Hill Church.

Finally, I understand that by signing this statement I am not committing to fulfill these responsibilities perfectly, but merely acknowledging that it is my sincere desire to fulfill these responsibilities by God's grace. May God be glorified, the church family edified, and my neighbors blessed by my affiliation with Mercy Hill Church.

Signed _____ Date _____

Scripture References:

1. Psalm 1; Colossians 4:2; Heb 3:12-14
2. Acts 2:42-47; Heb 10:23-25; Eph. 4:11-16
3. Matt 28:18-20
4. Eph. 5:15-18; Rom. 12:1-2; 1 Pet. 4:10-11; Eph. 4:1-16; 2 Cor. 8-9
5. Eph. 4:1-3; Phil. 2:1-11; Prov. 16:28;
6. Matt. 18:15-17
7. Heb. 13:7,17
8. Heb 1:1-2; 2 Pet 3: 15-16; 2 Tim 3:16-17