# **Seaford Baptist Church Covenant**

Having been brought by God's grace to repent and believe in Jesus, having given ourselves to Him, and having been baptized following our profession of faith; we, relying on God's grace, joyfully enter into this covenant with each other to seek to walk worthy of the calling we have received by . . .

### GROWING IN CHRIST-LIKE CHARACTER (Ephesians 4:1, 13-15)

- Through attending and participating in worship faithfully (Revelation 4:11, John 4:23-24)
- Through reading and studying God's word (Joshua 1:8, Colossians 3:16-18)
- Through consistent prayer (Matthew 6:9-13)
- Through participation in a Sunday School class or small group (<u>Hebrews</u> 10:24-25)

## PROTECTING THE UNITY OF OUR CHURCH (Ephesians 4:1-5)

- By working hard at relational harmony (Ephesians 4:1-6)
- Through practically meeting the needs of other believers (Acts 2:44-45, 1 John 3:16-18)
- By seeking to use our words for positive good (Ephesians 4:29)
- Through seeking reconciliation according to <u>Matthew 18:15-17</u>, when conflict arises with another member.

#### LIVING OUT THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE GOSPEL TOWARD THE WORLD

- Through demonstrating the love of Jesus through hands on ministry to the community (Luke 10:25-37, Matthew 25:31-46, James 1:27, James 2:15-17, 1 John 3:17-18)
- Through finding ways to share the good news of Jesus (Matthew 28:19-20, Acts 1:8)
- Through faithful financial giving to support the work of this church and its ministry to the world (Luke 16:10-15, Matthew 6:1-4, Matthew 16:19-24, Mark 12:41-43, Acts 20:35, Luke 8:1-3, Romans 12:8, 2 Corinthians 9:6-8)

#### PARTICIPATING IN THE MINISTRY OF OUR CHURCH

- By discovering our gifts and talents (Romans 12:3-8, Ephesians 4:11, 1 Corinthians 12, 1 Peter 4:10-11)
- By being equipped to serve by and with our pastors (Ephesians 4:11-12)
- By developing a servant's heart (Mark 10:45)