



nextsteps class

theporch community church

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We're glad you've chosen to find out more about The Porch Community Church.

How do I become a member?..... You can't! But you can become a porch

"(1)_____."

3 KEY TRUTHS Regarding Church Partnership:

1. The church is (2)_____. (Mark 3:35)
2. God expects you to be a (3)_____ of a church family. (Ephesians 2:19)
3. A Christian without a church family is an (4)_____ (John 14:18)

All you need to remember is:

(5) _____ | _____ | _____

Rather than doing a ton of things "ok," we want to do a few things (6)

_____!

(7) _____ - you are empowered by public praise & preaching!

(8) _____ - you are transformed by training & togetherness

(9) _____ - you are shaped to serve

(10) _____ - you are made for a mission

A disciple is: One who is (11) _____ Jesus, being changed by Jesus, and committed to Jesus' mission to save people from their sin.

Our goal is to continue to be "appealing to the people of (12) _____."

We are an independent church! Every SBC church is completely (13)_____.

Unlike other groups, the SBC has no man-made "(14)_____".

Great (15) _____

Great (16) _____

Our bodies are the Temple of God, we want to be holy because He is holy, we do not want to cause others to sin, and our lives should be a light to the world as we (17)

_____!

. Because it was inspired by God, the Bible is truth without any mixture of (18)

_____ and is completely relevant to our daily lives.

Heaven and Hell are (19) _____ places of eternal existence.

The church is a local (20) _____ of baptized believers unified through faith in Christ.

At The Porch we have these two church ordinances that are (21) _____ of our salvation.

The word "baptize" means to (22) _____ under water.

The difference between "attenders" and "partners" can be summed up in one word: (23)

Best way to find out your gifting is to just jump in and (24) _____

_____!

The doors is always open @ (25) _____

theporch quiz

1. Joining The Porch is committing to become a _____ in ministry!
2. The vision/mission/purpose of The Porch is:
_____ | _____ | _____!
3. The discipleship process is:

4. A disciple is: One who is _____ Jesus, being changed by Jesus, and committed to Jesus' mission to save people from their sin.
5. We are an independent church! Every SBC church is completely _____.
6. Our values are shaped by the Great _____ and the Great _____.
7. The _____ is a local community of baptized believers unified through faith in Christ. It is committed to the teachings of Christ, to obeying all of His commands, and it seeks to bring the gospel to the world.
8. The difference between "attenders" and "partners" can be summed up in one word:

9. On Sunday, the church building will be open @ _____
10. Best way to find out your gifting is to just jump in and
_____!

MY NEXT STEPS

- I'd like to start following Jesus for the first time
- I'd like to go public with my faith through Baptism
- I would like to join Growth Group (101, 102, etc.):
***** (REQUIRED FOR PARTNERSHIP)** _____
- I would like to start giving back in the ministry of:
***** (REQUIRED FOR PARTNERSHIP)** _____
- I would like to partner with the Porch as I commit to gather, grow, give back AND go!

theporch partnership covenant

1. I WILL PROTECT THE UNITY OF MY CHURCH

By acting in love toward other partners

By refusing to gossip

By following the leaders

“Therefore let us pursue the things which make for peace and the things by which one may edify another.” Rom. 14:19

“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 Pet. 1:22

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

“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.” Heb. 13:17

2. I WILL SHARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF MY CHURCH

By praying for its growth

By inviting the unchurched to attend

By warmly welcoming those who visit

“To the church... We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers” 1 Thess. 1:2

“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

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

3. I WILL **SERVE THE MINISTRY** OF MY CHURCH

By discovering my gifts and talents

By being equipped to serve by my pastors

By developing a servants heart

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

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

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4. I WILL **SUPPORT THE TESTIMONY** OF MY CHURCH

(I recognize the church’s stances against alcohol, tobacco, drugs, and sexual immorality)

By attending faithfully and participating in the “process” of the church
(GATHER – GROW – GIVE BACK – GO)

By living a godly life, causing no one to stumble and avoiding questionable situations

By giving back financially on a regular basis

“not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another..” Heb. 10:25

“Only let your conduct be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of your affairs, that you stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel” Phil. 1:27

“...decide instead to live in such a way that you will not cause another believer to stumble and fall.” Rom 14:13

“But if you have doubts about whether or not you should eat something, you are sinning if you go ahead and do it. For you are not following your convictions. If you do anything you believe is not right, you are sinning.” Rom 14:23

“On the first day of the week let each one of you lay something aside, storing up as he may prosper, that there be no collections when I come.” 1 Cor. 16:2

“And all the tithe 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.” Lev. 27:30

Signature _____ Date _____