

√ **Yes! I am interested in being contacted for church membership!**

If you would like to be considered for church membership, complete the information below and return it to the church office. An elder will contact you for an appointment.

**Please print:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

## Steps to Membership

### Step 1: Get acquainted with our church

This is the “getting-to-know-you” phase of connecting with our church. There are several ways you can begin to learn more about who we are as a faith community. We invite you to be a part of our Newcomer’s Reception where you can meet Pastor Brad and learn more about our values and beliefs. Adult Bible Classes are also a great way to begin to learn about God in the company of fellow Christians. Lastly, joining a small group is a great way to connect with others.

### Step 2: Complete an interview with two elders

A “face-to-face” informal meeting with two of our leaders is the next step. This is a time to share how you began your relationship with Christ and discuss any questions you might have about the Evangelical Free Church of Sycamore-DeKalb.

### Step 3: Membership Class

The next step is to attend a Membership Class for approximately eight weeks which will introduce the history, doctrines, vision, and mission of our church and denomination. There is no obligation to become a member by going through this class, although it is a requirement for anyone who desires to become a member.

Are you ready to take these steps? If so, complete the enclosed form and return it to the church office.



# Membership Matters



**Evangelical  
Free Church of  
Sycamore-  
DeKalb**



# Love God, love others, and impact your world.

## God loves People!

God also loves the local church – people who come together as a group to worship and serve Him. Jesus Christ said that He would build His church. The Evangelical Free Church of Sycamore-DeKalb is made up of people who are being built up so they can impact the world. This happens through the love God has for us and the commitment we have to each other.

Membership is an important step toward deepening your relationship with God, His people, and your family. It offers a solid platform for reaching out to those who don't know Jesus and those in need. Membership also is a prerequisite for participating in church decisions and for being considered for leadership roles.



## Values of Our Members

We delight in being God-centered.

We are committed to the authority of the Bible and God's Word.

We are outward-focused people sharing Christ with others and equipping them to be His fully devoted followers.

We desire to build bridges to individuals in our local community and beyond with a goal of connecting people to Christ and His community.

We are imperfect people; therefore, grace marks our community.

We generously invest our time, talents, and treasures to advance God's Kingdom.

## Commitments of Our Members

Commitment to the mission of our church: To develop followers of Christ who love God, love others, and impact their world.

## Commitment to the Vision of Our Church

To be a God-centered, outward-focused people, who are building bridges to individuals in our local community and beyond through authentic relationships

and practical service, with a goal of connecting people to Christ and His community, and developing and multiplying followers of Christ.

## Commitment to the Responsibilities of Our Church

We love our church. We express this love through taking responsibility. Four primary responsibilities of members are 1) regular attendance and participation in the worship services of the church, 2) regular attendance and participation in our congregational meetings, 3) service in church ministries according to ability and giftedness, and 4) faithful prayer and financial support according to member's means

## Commitment to the Ministries of Our Church

God has gifted each person with specific gifts and talents. We encourage everyone to discover the area of ministry for which God has prepared them and to serve others with a servant's heart.

## Commitment to the Unity of Our Church

To be effective in ministry, we must be a united body. We demonstrate this by forgiving others, refusing to gossip, and supporting the leadership.