

**Concerning the Church,
the Bible says...**

Matthew 16:18 ...on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.

1 Corinthians 12:28 And God has appointed these in the church: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, administrations, varieties of tongues.

Ephesians 1:22 And He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church

Ephesians 2:22 in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit

Ephesians 5:27 that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish

Colossians 1:18 And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence

1 Timothy 3:15b ...in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth

Hebrews 10:25 not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching

About Abundant Life Church

Abundant Life Church is a Bible-based, Christ-centered, Pentecostal church. We are dedicated to the values of **L.I.F.E.**

L—Love Jesus
I—Instruct Disciples
F—Friendship with Believers
E—Evangelize the Lost

Worshiping God, training believers, enjoying others, and reaching people is at the core of all we do. Affiliated with the Assemblies of God, Abundant Life Church is a place where you can **'Believe, Belong and Become'**.

We Believe In...

- The inspired, infallible Word of God—2 Timothy 3:16
- The One, True, Living God—Jeremiah 32:17, 27
- The Deity of the Lord Jesus Christ—John 1:1, 14
- The salvation of man by the atoning blood of Jesus Christ (1 Peter 1:18-19) and by grace through faith in His name (Ephesians 2:8-9)
- The person, work, baptism, gifts, and fruit of the Holy Spirit—Acts 1:8, Acts 2:4, 1 Corinthians 12:9-10 and Galatians 5:22-23
- The healing and miracle working power of God—Isaiah 53:5 and Mark 16:17-18
- The imminent return of Jesus Christ to earth—1 Thessalonians 4:16-17 and Revelation 22:20

**How to Join this
Church Family**

**Abundant
Life Church**
*Hope for the Hurting
Loving You to Life*



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Who is Eligible?

The qualifications for Church Membership are...

- a. A testimony to an experience of the new birth
- b. Having been baptized in water by immersion
- c. Evidence of a consistent Christian life
- d. An indication of a willingness to contribute regularly to the financial support of the Assembly.
- e. Acceptance of our Tenets of Faith
- f. At least 16 years of age.
- g. Having regularly attended services of and financially supported the Assembly for a period of at least three consecutive months.
- h. Agreement to being governed by the bylaws of the Assembly.

(The requirements for voting membership listed above are taken from Article VI, Section 1, of our church bylaws.)

Why Join?

Spiritually, all born-again believers in Jesus Christ are members of the family of God—His Church. The question, ‘Why Join?’ is about voting membership and relates to practical reasons to join.

Membership Indicates:

- Your association with the fellowship of the assembly
- Your commitment to the support and unity of the church
- A regard for doctrinal purity—that we all speak the same thing
- A fulfillment of the commission of the church
- The legitimacy of the church in the eyes of the government, and financial institutions (Membership affects the number of our chaplains in the armed services, our ability to secure financing, etc.)
- The existence of order in the church. For example; Membership provides a list from which the church appoints leaders and makes decisions
- Protection of the church from others who might seek control of the church and its assets

What’s Next?

1. Membership Class

Attending a membership class is necessary to acquaint you with our church, philosophy of ministry, and bylaws. Membership class is held at an announced time generally in March and/or September.

2. Membership Application

Those who have attended the class and have deemed themselves to be eligible for membership according to the Church Bylaws may submit a membership application form to the church board.

3. Board Approval

The church board will determine the eligibility and acceptability of all applicants for membership. Those approved will be received into the church publicly at a regular service. No applicant can be accepted as a member within thirty days before a business meeting.

We are thrilled that you are interested in Church membership. We will be happy to answer any questions you may have. Please see any of the pastoral staff and they will be glad to assist you with a membership application.