

**ELM GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH COVENANT**  
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As members of the Body of Christ and of the Elm Grove Baptist Church congregation, we now enter into covenant with God, and with one another.

We know that we are *appointed* by the FATHER, *equipped* with His WORD, and *empowered* by His SPIRIT to share the ministry of spreading the good news of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Together we commit, in the name of Jesus, and according to the power of God at work in us, to be united in spirit, compassionate, courteous, tenderhearted, and humble-minded; while empathizing with one another and loving each other as sisters and brothers of one household.

We will never return evil for evil or insult for insult, nor scold, tongue-lash or berate one another. On the contrary, we will pray for each other's welfare, happiness, and protection.

We will truly pity and love one another. For we know that to this we have been called, that we may ourselves inherit a blessing from God.

Therefore, we affirm that we will...

\*\*\*Strive for the advancement of this church in knowledge, holiness, and comfort through worship and study

\*\*\*Promote the prosperity of the church through giving and the application of our gifts and talents

\*\*\*Work with this membership to sustain the ordinances, discipline, and doctrine of the church as supported by biblical instruction.

We affirm that we are a supernatural church, composed of supernatural people, doing supernatural things, for we are laborers together with God. We thank God for His presence among us, and lift our hearts and hands in praise to His holy name. AMEN

*\*Portions adopted from Prayers That Avail Much by Germaine Copeland and the traditional National Baptist Church Covenant.*