

Walnut Hill Covenant

We covenant together, God helping us, to love God with all our hearts, our minds and our selves, to love each other in the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace, and to love our neighbors as ourselves, wholly and truly. We commit ourselves to God's transforming power in and through us as we live out our call to be the Body of Christ, God's people of Shalom.

We covenant:

- ❖ To love God and be transformed through WORSHIP:
 - Committing ourselves to God the Creator, Jesus the center of our lives, and the Holy Spirit presence in and through us, with all our heart, lives, and minds *in love*
 - Regularly attending and offering our gifts in planned worship gatherings
- ❖ To love and share with each other in COMMUNITY:
 - Practicing mutuality and sharing our resources to support the work and vision of the church
 - ⊖ Participating in gatherings for business, community life, learning and service
 - Being loving to one another in hospitable sharing at play, in our homes, around the table of fellowship, and in service
- To love and serve the world in MISSION
 - Inviting others to follow Jesus with us
 - Welcoming all and choosing to be in relationship to the poor, the marginalized and the oppressed, leaving no one out
 - Practicing sustainable living so that all may have enough and our earth home cared for
 - Partnering with others who follow Jesus' way of life and practice the way of shalom
 - Seeking God's justice, and extending the love of God in the world
- ❖ To love ourselves and invite the Holy Spirit to FORM us
 - Practicing a personal prayer and devotional life
 - Participating in corporate learning experiences, Bible Study, book studies, prayer, and other planned events
 - Giving our selves to see and hear the mystery of God's great love in old and new ways.

May our joining together mutually bless and strengthen us as we follow Christ together.