

Our Membership Procedure At Immanuel

1. Indicate your desire for membership information on a white communication card or by personally contacting the church office. You will be given the date of the next quarterly membership class, *Discovering Immanuel Class*.
2. Attend the *Discovering Immanuel Membership Class* (held quarterly on a Saturday morning). You complete an application for membership and submit it to your class teacher or mail it to the church office (attention: Discipleship and Family Office).
3. You will be schedule an appointment for an interview with two of our Elders.
4. After the interview, the Elders will recommend you for membership to the entire Elder council at the next Elders interviews. The council will vote on all membership applications.
5. We will notify you by letter and welcome you into fellowship at the next Sunday evening service.

The entire membership procedure may take as little as a month or as long as several months, depending on your schedule and the schedule of the Elder's meetings. If you need to be baptized, we would be glad to schedule that for you. Please contact the Discipleship and Family Office for more information.

Membership Review

The requirements for membership at Immanuel are:

- That you have personally trusted Jesus Christ as your Savior.
- That you have confessed your faith through believers baptism. (Matthew 28:19-20)
- That you be supportive of Immanuel's covenant, constitution and confession of faith.
- That you are in agreement with our discipline and restoration policy.

In becoming a member, you are committing to do the following:

- **I WILL PROTECT THE UNITY OF MY CHURCH**
•By acting in love toward other members, •by refusing to gossip and •by following the leadership. Rom. 15:9, 15:5; 1 Peter 1:22; Eph. 4:29; 1 Thess. 1:2
- **I WILL SHARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF MY CHURCH**
•By praying for its growth, •by inviting the unchurched to attend and •by warmly welcoming those who visit. 1 Thess. 1:2; Luke 14:23; Rom. 15:7
- **I WILL SERVE THE MINISTRY OF MY CHURCH**
•By discovering my gifts and talents, •by being equipped to serve by my pastors and •by developing a servant's heart. 1 Peter 4:10; Eph. 4:11-12; Phil. 2:3-4,7
- **I WILL SUPPORT THE TESTIMONY OF MY CHURCH**
•By attending faithfully, •by living a godly life and •by giving regularly. Heb. 10:24-25; Phil. 1:27; 1 Cor. 16:2

*We look forward to your becoming a part of the Immanuel family and to growing in Christ with you!
If you have any questions, please call us at the church office. Our number is 703-813-1955.*

IMMANUEL BIBLE CHURCH

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

PLEASE COMPLETE ONE APPLICATION PER APPLICANT - PLEASE USE A PEN

This questionnaire is designed to help our church family get to know you better. Please provide us with as much information as possible.

Today's Date ___/___/___

Mr. Mrs. Miss _____

Street address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: Home (____) _____ Work (____) _____

E-mail: _____

Marital Status: Never married Married Separated* Divorced* Widowed

*If you are Divorced or Separated please explain on another sheet of paper.

Birth date including year: _____

Children's names and birth dates: _____

Date Discovering Immanuel Class Completed: _____

Date you started attending IBC: _____

Name and address of previous church: _____

Ministries involved in previous church: _____

Adult Bible Fellowship you attend: _____

Which ministries are you *presently serving in* at Immanuel?

Which ministries are you *interested in serving in* at Immanuel?

Your place of employment and occupation: _____

Spouse's place of employment: _____

Have you ever been baptized as a believer in Jesus Christ? If so, when and at what church?

Do you speak any other languages? If so, which are they?

The elders of Immanuel believe that a clear written testimony of conversion is the most important aspect of this membership application. Please take adequate time to think through and write a well-organized statement.

Perhaps it would help you when writing this to envision it as a three minute written transcript of what you would share with a complete stranger if they asked you about your faith. In general, a one-paged typed document is a good limit. A good working outline could include a “before...during...after” framework.

If you have not done so prior, please take this application process as opportunity to think through and develop a well-written story of how you came to place your faith in Christ. Please see enclosed handout in membership packet.

Please attach your written testimony to this form.

SEEK HIM CONSTANTLY
SERVE HIM FAITHFULLY
SHARE HIM BOLDLY

Immanuel Bible Church *Nursery Service Sign-up Form*

Each person voted into membership twelve years of age and over is placed on the nursery schedule to serve in this ministry *once a quarter*. As you can appreciate, the nursery provides a vital ministry to everyone - the babies, their parents, and all those worshipping in the service. We all appreciate each member's help.

Below is space for information we need in order to add you to the nursery roster. In order to accommodate your schedule as much as possible, we are requesting your service preference. We want you to be able to serve at a time most convenient for you.

Schedules are available at the nursery at the beginning of each quarter. Please watch for bulletin announcements indicating that they are ready for you to pick up.

If for some reason (health problem, etc.) you are unable to serve on the nursery schedule, please call Kim Akers (Nursery Coordinator) at 703-813-2315. If you do not call, you will be automatically placed on the nursery roster.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number(s): _____

Email: _____

Service Preference (please check one)

8:00 a.m. Sunday Morning ___ (Please arrive at 7:45 a.m.)

9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning ___ (Please arrive at 9:05 a.m.)

11:00 a.m. Sunday Morning ___ (Please arrive at 10:45 a.m.)

Any service is fine ___

Please check here if you are currently listed on the quarterly nursery or toddler schedule:

Thank you for your willingness to serve!

Please return this form with your membership application to the teacher of the Discovering Immanuel Membership Class or to the Discipleship Ministry office.