

observed regularly, as enjoined in the Scripture (*Luke* 22:19, 20; *I Cor.* 11:23-26). The Communion will be administered at least once each month.

Dedication of Children: Parents have the privilege of presenting their infant children in the house of God for public dedication to God. (*I Sam.* 1:27, 28; *Mark* 10:13, 14.)

Christian Fellowship: We recognize in Christian Fellowship and affection all true believers of whatever name, and we desire to work in harmony with every organization of Evangelical Christians who hold and practice the truth as it is in Christ Jesus and are organized and constituted in accordance with the Word of God for the work of the Gospel (*I John* 1:3; *Psa'm* 133:1; *Acts* 2:1; *John* 17:20, 21).

ARTICLE IV

Members

Standard of Membership:

(a) Evidence of genuine experience in regeneration (the new birth). (*John* 1:12, 13; 3:3-8; *I Pet.* 1:18-25).

(b) Evidence of a consistent Christian Life (*Rom.* 6:4; 8:1-4; 13:13, 14; *Eph.* 4:17-32; 5:1, 2, 15; *I John* 1:6, 7).

(c) To fully subscribe to the Outlines of Belief as set forth in Article III hereof.

Application for Membership: Persons desiring to become members shall make application to the Pastor and the Board of Elders of the Church, who in turn shall carefully question each applicant as to their belief

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and profession of faith before recommending them for acceptance by the Church.

Reception:

(a) New members, having received the recommendation of the Pastor and the Board of Elders, shall be received at ~~any regular business meeting of the Church by the majority vote of the members present and entitled to vote.~~ The applicant or applicants for membership should be present at the business meeting but absent from the meeting during the period when their names are being acted upon. They shall be publicly welcomed by the Pastor and the Board of Elders at the ~~next monthly~~ Communion Service. *the first Sunday of month*

(b) Persons may be admitted to membership upon presentation of a letter of transfer in good standing from any Evangelical Church, upon the recommendation of the Pastor and Board of Elders.

Active:

(a) All persons having been received into membership of the Church shall be considered as active members as long as they continue to subscribe to and embrace the Standard of Membership under Article IV and show interest in the Church by regular attendance at the meetings and a spirit of cooperation toward the Pastor and Officers of the Church.

(b) All persons having met the scriptural Standards for Membership, whose names appear on the Active Church Membership Roll, shall constitute the legal voting membership of the Church, except as hereinafter provided.