

## ***Dryden Baptist Church Covenant***

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we do now, in the presence of God and angels, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We engage therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love.

To strive for the advancement of this Church in knowledge, holiness and comfort.

To promote its prosperity and spirituality.

To sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrines.

To give it a sacred pre-eminence over all institutions of human origin.

To contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the Church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the Gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotions.

To religiously educate our children.

To seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances.

To walk circumspectly in the world, abstaining from all appearance of evil, either in the particular practice or the promotion thereof.

To be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, exemplary in our deportment.

To avoid all tattling, backbiting and excessive anger.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love.

To remember one another in prayer.

To cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech.

To be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation and mindful of the rules of our Savior to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage, that when we remove from this place, we will as soon as possible unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.