Christian Principles T.L.C.C. Core Values B.F.C. - 1 of 4

The Church is a <u>family</u>
God expects me to <u>belong</u> to a church family.
A Christian without a church family is an <u>orphan</u>

The goal (prayer) of this group is that "I will commit myself to Jesus Christ and to Timber Lake Christian Church

#### The Church is a fellowship

Top priorities in a fellowship are **community** and **convictions**.

Acts 2:42 (page 780 T.L.C.C. ESV Bible)
 Romans 14:19 (page 813)

#### Anything that causes disunity is a sin.

Col. 2:2 (page 841); 3:13-15 (page 780); Pr. 17:14 (page 459); 1 Cor. 1:10 (page 815); 14:33 (page 823); 2 Cor. 13:11 (page 831); 1 Pe. 3:8 (page 873); Jn. 13:34-35 (page 770); 2 Tim. 2:14 (page 854); Phil. 1:27 (page 840); 2:1-3 (page 840); 4:2 (page 842); 2 Tim. 2:23 (page 855)

A good design promotes unity. 1 Cor. 11:17-18 (page 821) "Voting" tends to divide. The Church is a family. 1 Pe. 3:8 (page 873); Gal. 6:10 (page 835); Heb. 2:10-12 (page 861); 1 Pe. 4:7 (page 874)

The Church is a body. 1 Cor. 12:27 (page 821); Eph. 5:23 (page 838); 1:22-23 (page 836); Col. 1:18 (page 843); 2:18-**19** (page 844) We are a body - not a business. We are an organism - not an organization. Rom. 12:4-6 (page 811)

#### In an organization, "<u>maintenance</u>" becomes the focus.

But in an organism "ministry" is the focus.

At T.L.C.C. we have a simple design so we can maximize ministry and minimize meetings.

#### Ephesians 4:11-12 (page 837)

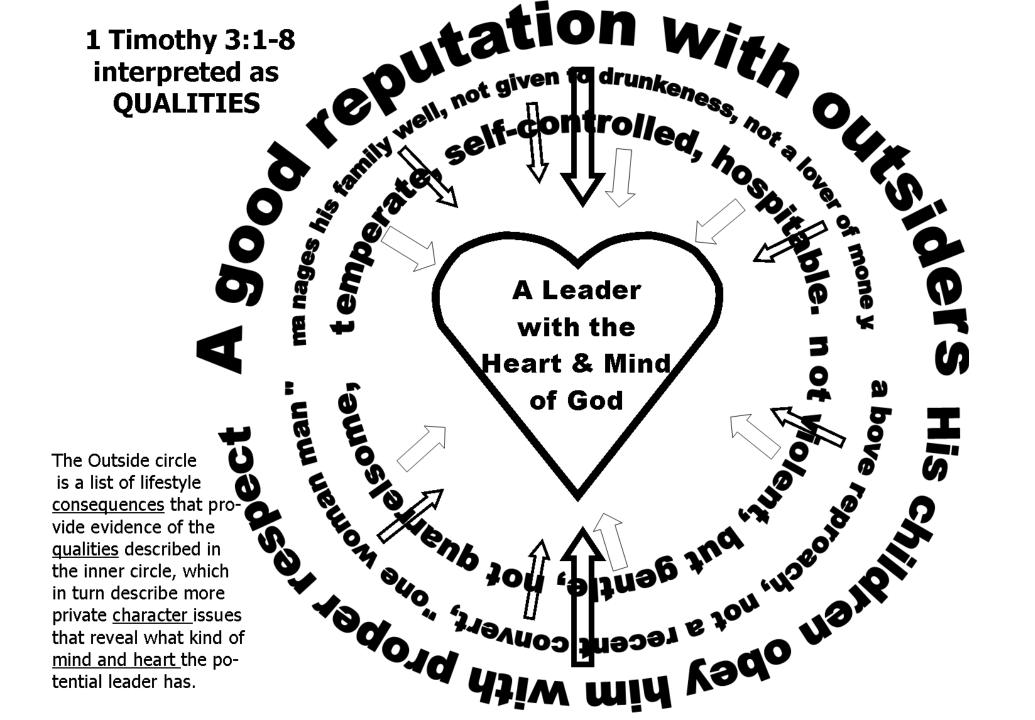
#### The people are the "ministers". The church staff are the "administrators".

### Timber Lake Christian Church exists to glorify God and exalt Jesus Christ.

The Church is a <u>flock</u>. Jn. 10:1-30 (page 767); Mt. 26:31 (page 709); 25:33 (page 708)

# Therefore it is cared for and led by shepherds. (elders)

Jn. 21:16-17 (page 777); 1 Pe. 5:1-2 (page 874); Ac. 20:17,18,28 (page 796); Tit. 1:5-7 (page 857); 1 Tim. 5:17 (page 853)



# **OUR FAMILY CONVICTIONS**

- Convictions for "Koinonia" (fellowship)
- Convictions for "<u>Unity</u>"

As a member of Timber Lake Christian Church I would commit to...

...bring my spiritually <u>surrendered</u> self to worship, learn, and serve others as often as possible.

As a member of Timber Lake Christian Church I would commit to...

...model the grace God has given us as a united body seeking - His purpose FIRST, our leadership's vision for ministry SECOND, my lost neighbor's needs THIRD, my brother and sister in Christ's good FOURTH, and my personal preferences in the area of non-B.F.C. week #1, page 3 essentials LAST.

As a member of Timber Lake Christian Church I would commit to...

...work with tenacious <u>excellence</u> expressing <u>grace</u> toward other people's ideas. ... refuse to allow perpetual <u>conflict</u> go unaddressed.

... communicate with loving honesty.

As a member of Timber Lake Christian Church I would commit to...

... honor and value those I <u>follow</u> and those I <u>lead.</u> ...relentlessly pursue personal <u>integrity</u> and <u>purity</u>. ... be my Christian brothers' and sisters' <u>champion</u>. ... work on my <u>knees</u>.

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#### Convictions for "Unity"

In essential beliefs – we have <u>unity</u> Eph. 4:4-6 (page 837)

In non-essential beliefs - we have <u>liberty</u> Rom. 14:1,4,12,22 (page 812)

In all our beliefs - we show <u>charity</u> 1 Cor. 13:2 (page 822)

# Synergy FAMILY+CHURCH

#1 "Discipleship"
#2 "Early Years"
#3 "Teens"
#4 "Supporting Adulthood"
#5 "Legacy"

Our goal is to provide parents a clear view of tools through which they can be assured that they are discipling their kids through these milestones into Christ. The goal is that the family and the church are perceived as working together and certainly not against each other. A milestone is an age or level of maturity in lives that can and should be celebrated with spiritual preparation and achievement.



#### LOVE THE LORD

"And he answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." - Luke 10:27

#### LEARN THE TRUTH

"If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine; 32and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." - "Now these were more nobleminded than those in Thessalonica, for they received the word with great eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see whether these." - John 8:31-23 & Acts 17:11

#### LIGHT THE WORLD

"You are the light of the world...let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." - **Matthew 5:14-16**