



## **Benefits of Becoming a Member of the Village Chapel**

Thank you for visiting our beloved Chapel. We are so happy that you are here, and we hope that you enjoy your time with us. We are immensely proud of our Chapel and our community of faith, and we cherish opportunities to show them off to our visitors and guests. We want you to feel at home here and feel comfortable with our church family and with our commitment to all aspects of Christian faith and growth.

As a visitor, you and your family have full access to all our Chapel's services, programs, events, activities, committees, Christian education classes, seminars and pastor services.

And our website is available to all. We would like you and your family to take advantage of some of the many opportunities that we have to offer so that you get to know us better, and so that you develop a solid basis for deciding if the Village Chapel will become your new church home.

When you have decided that the Village Chapel is right for you and your family, we encourage you to take the next step and become a member. Becoming a member identifies you as an official part of our church community and a full-fledged member of our Chapel family. Membership shows commitment, acceptance of our Statement of Faith, and concurrence with the precepts of our interdenominational community of faith. Membership means you have committed to belonging here in this Chapel. The Chapel becomes "your" church in Christ.

In addition, membership allows you to vote in elections involving Chapel governance, to hold elective office, to serve as committee chairpersons, to be eligible for scholarships awarded each year to youth of the Chapel, and to have a free funeral when the Lord eventually calls you home.

Some perspective members are reluctant to join the Chapel because they are still members of another church in their hometown or some other place, and mistakenly believe that they can be members of only one church. Many of our members in that situation have established a dual-church membership. This is easy to do, and we can help you with the application.

We hope that you give serious thought to becoming a member of The Village Chapel. And if you have questions, or when you decide to join, please contact Pastor Ashley at 910 295-6003 Ext. 109.