

# Immanuel Bible Church Membership Requirements/Process

1. The requirements for membership at Immanuel Bible Church are:  
That you have personally trusted Jesus Christ alone as your Savior.  
That you have confessed your faith through believer's baptism.  
That you be supportive of and not teach against the constitution, bylaws and statement-of-faith.  
That you agree to abide by our discipline/restoration policy as explained in the church bylaws.
2. Indicate your desire for membership information on a Connection Card or by contacting the church office. You will be given the date of the next membership class called *Discovering Immanuel*.
3. Attend the *Discovering Immanuel* class and then complete an application for membership online or mail it to the church office (attention: Discipleship and Family Office).
4. Two elders will set up an appointment for an interview with you at a convenient time for all.
5. After the interview, the Elders will recommend you for membership to the Elders at their next scheduled meeting. The Elders will vote on all membership applications.
6. Upon approval, we will notify you to welcome you into membership at Immanuel Bible Church.

Note: 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 assigned Elders. If you need to be baptized (a membership requirement), please contact the Discipleship and Family Office for more information.

## Immanuel Bible Church Membership Responsibilities

In becoming a member, I am committing to do the following:

1. I will protect the unity of my church by acting in love toward other members, by refusing to gossip and by respecting and following the leaders and the teachings of the church.
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.
3. I will serve the ministry of my church by discovering my gifts and abilities, by being equipped to serve alongside my leaders and by developing a servant's heart.
4. I will support the testimony of my church by attending faithfully, by living a godly life and by giving financial resources regularly and cheerfully to the church.

*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: 1 Never married    1 Married    1 Separated\*    1 Divorced\*    1 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?

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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?

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\_\_\_\_\_

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

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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 answer the following questions.**

**1. How would you explain your understanding of the gospel of Jesus Christ?**

**2. How did God bring you to saving faith in Jesus Christ through his gospel?**

SEEK HIM CONSTANTLY  
SERVE HIM FAITHFULLY  
SHARE HIM BOLDLY

## ***Immanuel Bible Church*** ***Nursery Service Sign-up Form***

As you can appreciate, the nursery provides a vital ministry to everyone- the babies, their parents, and of course all of those worshipping in the services. Our nursery is staffed completely with volunteers who serve on a quarterly basis. We ask each adult member of our church to serve the church body by volunteering once a quarter in our nursery. We want you to be able to serve at a time most convenient for you. Schedules are emailed at the beginning of each quarter.

Name:

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Address:

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Telephone Number(s):

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Email:

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Service Preference (*please check one*)

9:00 a.m. Sunday Morning (Please arrive at 8:45 a.m.)

10:45 a.m. Sunday Morning (Please arrive at 10:30 a.m.)

Any service is fine

If for some reason (health problem, etc.) you are unable to serve on the nursery schedule, please call Nursery Coordinator at 703-813-2315 or email [nursery@ibc.church](mailto:nursery@ibc.church).

Please return this form with your membership application to the elders conducting your interview or to the Discipleship Ministry Office.