

## **Church Covenant** (Article IV of Bylaws)

We, as those who by grace through faith have received the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, having identified ourselves with this local expression of the Body of Christ, Ellerslie Road Baptist Church Society, do covenant together as follows:

- To honour, love, and serve our God;
- To dwell at peace with others, being just in our dealings, and offering compassion to all;
- To live exemplary lives marked by prayer, integrity and responsibility;
- To proclaim the faith, always ready to give an answer for the hope within us;
- To uphold our local Church through prayer; seeking its advance, strengthening its worship, supporting its programs, and sustaining its reputation as a community of Christ in the world;
- To pray for one another and serve together in love with our brothers and sisters in the Church, being slow to take offence, and always ready to reconcile;
- To love loyally our spouses and children, encouraging them in Christian growth, modeling consistent Christian lives;
- To uphold our civic leaders and perform our civic duties, championing God's principles of justice, righteousness and the sanctity of human life.