

# CHURCH MEMBERSHIP



HEBREWS 10:24-25

# THE EXISTENCE OF A MEMBER

- Church membership is not instructed, it is assumed (Acts 2:41-47).
- Instructions about and to elders demands membership (1 & 2 Thess. 1:1; Heb. 13:7, 17).
- Church discipline assumes membership (1 Cor. 5:11-13).
- The original revelation was made to churches (1 Thess. 5:27; Col. 4:16).

# THE HEART OF A MEMBER

- Being a member of a church means being part of a family (1 Tim. 5:2).
- It means being citizens who are pilgrims (1 Pet. 2:11).
- We should cultivate a sense of loyalty among one another (Rom. 12:16; 15:5-6; 2 Cor. 13:11; Phil. 1:27; 2:2, 1 Pet. 3:8).

# THE ACTIVITY OF A MEMBER

- A member is present (Heb. 10:25).
- A member participates in worship (1 Cor. 14:26; Eph. 5:19).
- A member participates in the collective work of the church (1 Cor. 16:1-3; Acts 6:3-6).
- A member works outside of the collective as well (Acts 2:46).