



**ONCE YOU'VE
DECIDED TO
BECOME A MEMBER
OF CAMBOURNE
CHURCH**



Cambourne Church - A partnership of the Church of England, the United Reformed Church, Baptists Together & the Methodist Church

Membership of Cambourne Church is open to all baptised Christians and is

- A recognition of God’s leading & guiding
- A covenant agreement between members
- A public act of commitment
- A sign of our shared identity as Christians

“From Him the whole body, joined and held together.... grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.” Ephesians 4:16

Membership involves a two-way commitment.

<p>The leaders, together with the whole fellowship, commit themselves to a care and responsibility for members</p>	<p>The members commit themselves to participate as members of a community and affirm</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We want you to know that you have been received and welcomed, and that for however long it is appropriate you are part of the family of this local church. • Our commitment is to help you grow in God, to support you in need, to train you in your gifts, and to pray for you. • If you were in the future to move on, we would want to send you with our blessing and prayers so that you know yourself to be commissioned and valued in that ongoing journey. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I worship regularly with others and pray for matters that concern us all. • I contribute to the life and mission of the church in a planned and prayerful way, including financially. • I seek to grow in discipleship, especially in accountable loving relationships . • I desire to discover and use my gifts to witness to God’s love in the world by word and deed. • I commit to maintaining the bonds of Christian fellowship, adhering to the church’s code of conduct.

Members vote at church meetings, can be elected to the church council and are informed of all new church developments. You will be sent the annual report, invited to church meetings including the AGM and will receive the latest minutes from the church council.

Questions put to you at a membership service:

Do you believe in one God, Father and Holy Spirit: your creator and redeemer and the sustainer of all things?

I do. This is the God in whom I trust.

Do you believe that God has led you to share in the worship, life and witness of this local congregation?

I do and thank God for the gift of fellowship.

Will you share with us the gifts God has given you that together we may serve God in our local community and in the wider world?

I will. All I have is given by God.

Next steps

If you are new to church, you are encouraged to explore the Christian faith through Alpha or a similar course.

A date for your membership service will be arranged.



Notes about Membership

Church membership includes enrolment on the common electoral roll of the LEP (local ecumenical partnership). Members of Cambourne Church are accepted as members of all four of our sponsoring denominations. A particular denominational identity is noted on our records where this is stated, but many of our members claim no specific denominational identity.

The membership list will be reviewed before every AGM. In accordance with established practices in our denominations, if members have ceased to engage with the life of the church or if they are uncontactable then communication may be sent to the most recent address to seek to have a conversation about the circumstances of the member and the status of their membership. Periodically all members are required to re-affirm their membership as the list must be completely revised every six years. (These revisions are currently scheduled for 2025, 2031, etc.)

Membership can be terminated by the member by giving written notice to the trustees.