

KNOWING JESUS ... MAKING HIM KNOWN

Application for Membership in the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches:

General Instructions: Fill out this application form and send it with your membership fee to the FELLOWSHIP OF GRACE BRETHREN CHURCHES, P.O. Box 384, WINONA LAKE, IN 46590 and send a file copy as an attachment to tomavey@fgbc.org. The deadline for application is January 1st in order to be considered in the following annual conference. If you wish to request an extension of this deadline, include a letter of reference from a cooperating district missions board, a sponsoring church that is already a member of the FGBC, or Grace Brethren Missions.

Official Name of Church Neighborhood Church of Tracy		
Church Mailing Address 793 South Tracy Blvd #199		
City	State	Zip
Tracy	CA	95377
Phone	Email	
209-221-0870	mattcripe@comcast.net	
Meeting Place	Web Site	
4600 S Tracy Blvd, Suite 101	nctracy.org	
Pastor or principle leader Matt Cripe		
Address 2404 Gilberte St		
City	State	Zip
Tracy	CA	95304
Phone	Email	
209-814-8643	mattcripe@comcast.net	

Tell Us about Your Church and Its People . . .

Attach or give a brief history or testimony about your churches ministry, including any pictures that capture the heart of the congregation and mission.

In the spring of 2004 a handful of families from Tracy Grace Brethren saw the need for a church on the south side of Tracy. They began meeting together and planning for a start in the fall. On October 14, 2004 the first service was held in the multi-purpose room of Tom Hawkins Elementary School. In December of 2011, God blessed us with the opportunity to move to a more permanent home and Neighborhood Church moved to 4600

South Tracy Blvd just in time to celebrate as a church family the birth of Christ.

We want to glorify God as a worshipping community of believers who are being transformed to give their lives away.

List the present responsible officers (or leaders) of the congregation with titles:

Matthew Cripe, Pastor Dr. David Coykendall, Elder Kevin Moser, Elder

Tell Us About Your Current and Future Connections to the FGBC Family . . .

The FGBC is committed to biblical relationships . . .

Is there another Grace Brethren Church, ministry or district that is helping you connect with the FGBC and process this membership application? If so, which one? Please describe your relationship with that church, ministry, or district. Originally a Daughter church of Tracy Grace Brethren Church. Part of the Nor Cal district

Why does your church desire membership in the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches? We are a Grace Brethren church plant! This is the first time in some years that we will able to be at conference in July.

To the best or your knowledge, does your church or any leadership of your church have unresolved problems with another Grace Brethren church, leader, district or cooperating organization? If so, who can we contact for clarification? No.

In what ways does your church intend to continue its cooperation with other churches in the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches? (For example, cooperative activities such as National Conference, District Ministerium, Focus Retreats, etc.) District Ministerium

National Conference

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In seeking membership in the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches, does your church recognize the obligation of mutual encouragement and cooperation with other congregations and agree to fulfill the membership requirements as stated in the Constitution and Manual of Procedure? Yes.

Tell Us About Your Church's Commitment to the Bible . . .

The FGBC is committed to biblical truth . . .

Please review the Constitution and Manual of Procedure for the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches. Note carefully ARTICLE III and ARTICLE IV of the Constitution and ARTICLE I of the Manual of Procedure that deal with the membership requirements new FGBC churches are to meet. (see www.fgbc.org/constitution and www.fqbc.org/manualofprocedure) What questions does this raise for you and your church that we should discuss together?

None.

Have you already officially aligned with the Statement of Faith and are people in your church aware of this alignment?

The Mission We Commit To Pursue Together . . .

The FGBC is committed to biblical mission . . .

Please read the Commitment to Common Mission (www.fgbc.org/files/OurCommitmentToCommonMission.pdf). Please

comment on any ideas or dreams your church has in any of the three areas of ministry:
Developing Leaders
Planting a new church
Engaging in integrated ministry in your community?
We encourage you to consider reading "Restoring the Household" by Todd Scoles in order to become more familiar with the FGBC family. We welcome the opportunity to discuss any questions you might have as a result of what you learn.
How many people are presently members of this church?
A check payable to FGBC based on the chart below for the current year membership fee should be included with this application. Use your church's average attendance multiplied by \$3.90

\$156

How will you identify your affiliation with the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches? (ie: on a church sign, letterhead, church bulletin, etc). Website, bulletin

Describe your practice of Triune Immersion and the Threefold Communion Service.

We only baptize by Triune Immersion and we have Threefold communion 3 to 4 times a year. No other communion is practiced.