

First Baptist Church of Avoca

Membership Application

There are five steps to becoming a member.

- The first is to fill out this membership application **by clearly printing** and return it to a Pastor or Deacon.
- You will then meet with a Pastor and at least two deacons to review your application.
- Then you will be recommended by the Deacons for membership to the congregation at a business meeting.
- The congregation will then vote and you will be notified.
- You will be welcomed into the body of Christ to find a place to serve and give your life away!

Please feel free to ask any questions that you may have!

This form is designed to give you opportunity to respond to our three basic requirements for membership. Each candidate shall:

1. have accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as personal Savior and Lord and give testimony concerning personal salvation.
2. have been baptized by immersion.
3. agree with the church's covenant and polity as stated in the First Baptist Church Constitution

Personal
Complete first, middle, and last name
Phone
Address
City, State, Zip
Are you currently the member of a church? If yes, where?

Meeting with the Pastors & Deacons
Which of the coming Sunday dates would you be available to meet with the Pastor and Deacons?

1. Salvation testimony
Please describe how the debt for your sin has been paid?
Please give a brief description of the circumstances of your conversion on the back of this sheet. The following questions may help you to include key elements of your salvation testimony.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Who is Jesus Christ to you? 2. How did you come to understand you were in need of salvation? 3. Describe the circumstances that led you to repent of your sin and to trust Jesus as your Savior. What happened in the moments leading up to and immediately following your decision? 4. What factors helped you to make your decision? 5. How does your salvation experience impact your life now? Why is it important to you? 6. What scripture verses helped you to understand your need of a Savior and what God has done for you?

2. Baptism
Have you been baptized by immersion after your conversion to Christ? If yes, where and when?
Please briefly explain the significance of baptism.

3. First Baptist Church Constitution
Have you read the church constitution including our articles of faith, covenant, and polity?
Do you have any questions about them?
Are you willing to accept and abide by the church's covenant and polity as stated in the First Baptist Church Constitution?