

## Whole Church Initiative Covenant

This covenant is made between the members of the local church and the Annual Conference.

We, the local church, promise to offer our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness to aid in building a vital and sustainable future for our congregation and its ministries in the community.

We promise to work diligently as the hands and feet of Christ and seek God's guidance for our future.

We will identify 6 people who will, along with our appointed pastor, serve as our leadership team in this effort. We promise to support this team with our constant prayers and will do nothing to undermine their efforts.

Those serving on the team promise to make every effort to attend all the appointed trainings, complete all the required readings, and maintain a healthy and hopeful attitude about the potential future of our church.

We, the Annual Conference as represented by our District Superintendent and the conference Congregational Vitality team, promise to work diligently beside the local church as they discern God's will for their future.

We promise to provide trainings and support that is relevant and well conceived.

We promise to uplift the local church in our prayers regularly and do whatever is in our power to help them succeed.

I, the District Superintendent appointed to serve the district of the local church, promise to do all in my ability to help the local church succeed. I promise to celebrate with them in their successes and uplift them and their efforts at every opportunity. I promise to uplift them regularly in prayer.

All parties affirm God's central role in the life of the church and the utter necessity of God's guidance and wisdom in moving forward.

Name of the Local Church: \_\_\_\_\_  
Appointed Pastor: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lay Leader: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lay Member to AC: \_\_\_\_\_  
District Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_  
Vital Congregations Developer \_\_\_\_\_