

WHAT IS EXPECTED OF ME?

The simple answer is everything and nothing! God has plans for all of our lives (Jer. 29:11) but he forces nothing upon us, not even blessings. Life at SBC is very varied and we simply encourage all members to find their place, their niche.

- Time is a gift we all possess and we can use it to minister to other Christians or to perform practical tasks in the church is valuable to the Lord.
- God has gifted us all with different skills and abilities (1 Cor. 12) and wants us to use them for his purposes
- SBC is totally self-financing and so dependent for all that it does on the generosity of those who attend the church (see separate Finance Brochures)
- Mission at home and abroad are central to the life of SBC, So we encourage everyone to be involved. Do find out about the people and organisations we support and the opportunities available.

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THE BIBLE SAYS

ECCLESIASTES 4:9-10 (NLT)

TWO PEOPLE ARE BETTER OFF THAN ONE, FOR THEY CAN HELP EACH OTHER SUCCEED. 10 IF ONE PERSON FALLS, THE OTHER CAN REACH OUT AND HELP. BUT SOMEONE WHO FALLS ALONE IS IN REAL TROUBLE.

ROMANS 12:15

REJOICE WITH THOSE WHO REJOICE; MOURN WITH THOSE WHO MOURN.

ACTS 2:42

THEY DEVOTED THEMSELVES TO THE APOSTLES' TEACHING AND TO THE FELLOWSHIP, TO THE BREAKING OF BREAD AND TO PRAYER.

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MEMBERSHIP



A COMMUNITY OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Guided By His Word
Led by His Spirit
Sharing the Good News



Seaford Baptist church is a member of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and the Evangelical Alliance. We support missionaries with the BMS, Wycliffe, and SAO.



JOIN THE FAMILY

WHAT IS CHURCH MEMBERSHIP?

In the UK today, all Baptist churches are independent registered charities and therefore governed by Charity Law. From this standpoint, it is the membership of a church that determines who may legally take part in the decision-making processes.

Church membership, however, is above all an expression of faith and belonging. When we join a church, we are making a statement about the reality of our faith and our commitment to Christ. We are also recognising that whilst we all belong to the global family of Jesus, Seaford Baptist Church is our own local church family. So, with all its weaknesses and failings, SBC is where I belong



ARE THERE QUALIFICATIONS?

Although we are a Baptist church committed to the Biblical practice of believers' baptism, this is not a requirement for church membership, as we understand baptism to be a declaration of faith,

rather than a means of attaining faith. Of course, we encourage all our non-baptised members to give serious consideration to their own baptism. SBC is a member of the Baptist Union and the Evangelical Alliance. We therefore assent to the statements of core belief of both organisations. Members of the church would also need to be in sympathy with these statements of belief. (Please ask if you wish to see them)

WHAT IS THE PROCESS?

If you would like to become a member, please talk to one of our ministers or to the church secretary. They will arrange for two of our members to visit you to discover how you became a Christian and to briefly talk about what it means to be a church member. Normally they will bring your application to the next church meeting. After your application is accepted, we will publicly welcome you into membership at the next communion service that is convenient.



Check out our Web site:
www.seafordbaptistchurch.org.uk

FAMILY LIFE

- Care Groups (or HouseGroups) are a vital part of life at SBC given the size of our congregation. They allow for the possibility of getting to know a small and manageable group of people and, through them, to get to know others. Please talk to one of our Ministers if you wish to join a group.
- Pastoral care is overseen by our Senior Minister, along with many others in the church. Please let us know if you would like a member of the Pastoral Team to visit you.
- From time to time, the church runs courses including the well known 'Alpha' course. These are open to all and they complement the regular teaching programme of the church, which is organised by our Ministers.
- You don't have to go to church to be a Christian any more than you have to go to a doctor when you are ill. However, common spiritual sense suggest to all of us that going to church and taking part in the life of God's people is somehow the right thing for a Christian to do.