

# Application for Membership

*Please tell us about yourself and your decision to join SCEFC*

First, please save this document on your computer, using the following file naming format: Last name, First name (YYYY-MM-DD), SCEFC Membership Application) [e.g., *Smith, John (2007-06-30, SCEFC Membership Application)*]. After saving, complete the form on the following pages. Use the mouse or tab key to move quickly from one answer box to the next. Use as much space as you need. Save the document again when you have finished, and email it to: [church@scefc.org](mailto:church@scefc.org)

## Personal Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name (if married): \_\_\_\_\_

Children:  Yes  No

Anniversary \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Names and Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

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## Church Experience:

Most recent church you regularly attended \_\_\_\_\_ (city) \_\_\_\_\_

Were you a member?  Yes  No If Yes, how long were you a member? \_\_\_\_\_

Why did you leave that church? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been attending SCEFC? \_\_\_\_\_

How did you find out about SCEFC? \_\_\_\_\_

What was it that initially attracted you to SCEFC? \_\_\_\_\_

Why are you interested in becoming a member of SCEFC? \_\_\_\_\_

***Please tell us about your relationship with Jesus Christ***

Please provide a brief explanation of the Gospel, including Scripture references where appropriate.

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Please briefly tell us about your conversion (when and how you first came to trust Christ as your Savior and Lord). Upon what do you base the assurance of your salvation? Include Scripture references where appropriate. \_\_\_\_\_

The Bible says that whoever truly becomes a child of God becomes a new person. Old thoughts, habits, and patterns slowly give way to new thoughts, habits, and patterns. Realizing that we all have a long way to go, what spiritual fruit have you seen in your life since you became a believer in Christ? If your conversion occurred many years ago, what fruit have you observed more recently of the Holy Spirit's work in your life? \_\_\_\_\_

***Please tell us about your gifts, passions and interests***

Having gone through the membership class, you are **aware** that part of our vision is to be a community on mission. Because of this it is our strong desire to help you, as a prospective member, identify the areas where God, through the Holy Spirit, has gifted you, and to deliberately think through ways that you can use those gifts for the benefit of the body.

How do you believe you might be gifted to serve the local church here at SCEFC? How have you seen fruit from previous experience using your gifts? \_\_\_\_\_

What areas of ministry at *SCEFC* **interest** you? Are **there** areas that you are passionate about?

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Are there new ministry ideas or visions you might have for *SCEFC* that you would like to see developed? \_\_\_\_\_

As you look to the future, how do you see yourself using your gifts **to serve** at SCEFC? \_\_\_\_\_

## ***Compatibility:***

The ministry of SCEFC is founded on our *Statement of Faith*. Are you in full agreement with it?  
 **Yes**  **No**

If **No**, please explain your reservations: \_\_\_\_\_

The ministry of SCEFC is driven by our commitment to our *Mission* and *Vision*. Are you in full agreement with our *Mission* and *Vision*?  **Yes**  **No**

If **No**, please explain your reservations: \_\_\_\_\_

The ministry of SCEFC is guided by our *Relational Commitments*. Are you willing to commit yourself to these?  **Yes**  **No**

If **No**, please explain your reservations: \_\_\_\_\_

The ministry of SCEFC is directed by a qualified, congregationally elected Elder Board. Are you committed to uphold these men in prayer and submit to their leadership in areas where this board has final authority?  **Yes**  **No**

If **No**, please explain your reservations: \_\_\_\_\_

The ministry of SCEFC is growing because every member is involved. Are you willing to commit your time and talents to serve regularly throughout your membership period?  **Yes**  **No**

If **No**, please explain your reservations: \_\_\_\_\_

The ministry of SCEFC is financed by the giving of members. Budgets are formulated in accordance with our ministry values. Are you willing to give on a regular basis according to God's provision?  **Yes**  **No**

If **No**, please explain your reservations: \_\_\_\_\_

The ministry of SCEFC depends upon integrity in our lifestyle and in our commitment to the Gospel and to the Lordship of Jesus Christ. Are there any activities you are involved in, which would bring shame on Jesus Christ, our mission to spread the Gospel, or your ability to place Jesus Christ first in your life?  **Yes**  **No**

If **Yes**, please describe these activities: \_\_\_\_\_

The ministry of SCEFC depends upon our commitment to provide loving accountability and correction to members of the body. Are you willing to submit yourself to the process of discipline described in Article IV of the *SCEFC Constitution and Bylaws*?  **Yes**  **No**

If **No**, please explain your reservations: \_\_\_\_\_

***Thank you for your interest in being involved in a community on mission here at SCEFC!***