

A BRIEF COVENANT

DECLARATION OF FAITH

In this our Covenant, we the members of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America subscribe to the following declaration of faith.

We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the inspired Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and life.

We believe in the one living and true God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—as revealed in the Scriptures; we accept Jesus Christ as our Saviour from sin, and we acknowledge Him as our Lord.

We believe in and accept the standards of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America as being in agreement with and founded upon the Scriptures. In particular we believe in the Reformed faith, emphasizing the sovereignty of Christ, the Presbyterian form of church government, and the New Testament pattern of worship with its exclusive use of the Psalms, sung a capella.

CONFESSION OF SIN

We humbly confess that we have transgressed the Law of God, and have come short of performing our duty. We confess that we have not measured up to our Covenants. We confess that too often our faith has been weak, our works ineffectual, our loyalty wavering, and our love too cold. We confess that, knowing the right, we have too often done wrong.

COVENANT OBLIGATIONS

Accepting the Covenant of Grace we do undertake the following obligations of this our Covenant.

We do Covenant with God that we will seek to conform our lives to the teaching and example of

our Lord Jesus Christ: that we will endeavor to forsake all that is sinful and that would compromise our witness for Him; that we will separate ourselves from all associations, especially secret societies, which would hinder the development of Christian character; and that we will encourage by our example temperance, love and godliness.

We do promise to avail ourselves of opportunities, public and private, for growth in grace and for Christian service, including worship, prayer, study of the Scriptures, keeping holy the Sabbath day, observing the appointed sacraments, giving regularly to the Lord's work, and seeking to win others to Him.

We do solemnly purpose to seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness in all the relationships of life. We therefore oppose all the systems, religious and secular that undermine faith in the Scriptures, in the deity of Jesus Christ, and His redemptive work. We will continue to advocate the separation of church and state, and strive to bring each to the proper acknowledgment of Christ's sovereignty. We therefore will not avail ourselves of those rights and privileges of citizenship that may tend to neutralize our testimony to the rights and claims of Christ over the nations.

We make this our profession of faith, confession of sin, and purpose of life in the presence of God, in humble reliance upon His grace, committing the keeping of our souls to Him who is able to work in us that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever. AMEN.