



STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT UPON BEING AN ACTIVE DEACON

Having been nominated by the Deacon Nominating Committee to become an active Deacon, beginning January 1, 2022, I have examined myself and have sought the Lord's leadership, and agree to allow my name to be presented to the Church for consideration in selecting me as a Deacon for an active term in this Church, and in doing so:

- I believe in, and am relying upon, the Lord Jesus Christ as my personal Savior.
- I will earnestly seek the Lord's direction in every area of my life, including the use of my time, my material possessions, my unique abilities, and my influence to both serve the Lord and project a positive Christian example in His Kingdom here on earth and through this Church. Further, I will continuously examine the quality of my spiritual life to assure that I walk in the light as He is in the light at all times. In so doing, I will endeavor to avoid sin at every turn and, as needed, seek forgiveness and repent as Christ commanded. I will also take care that, in exercising my personal freedom, I do not become a stumbling block to other brothers and sisters, so that I may live in continuous fellowship with Him.
- I commit to the following Scriptural requirements to serving as a Deacon:
 - 1 Timothy 3:8-11 - Deacons, likewise, are to be men worthy of respect, sincere, not indulging in much wine, and not pursuing dishonest gain. They must keep hold of the deep truths of the faith with a clear conscience. They must first be tested; and then if there is nothing against them, let them serve as Deacons. In the same way, their wives are to be women worthy of respect, not malicious talkers but temperate and trustworthy in everything. (NIV)*
 - Acts 6:3 - Brothers, choose seven men from among you who are known to be full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will turn this responsibility over to them. (NIV)*
- I recognize that the great commission of my Lord Jesus Christ is to reach the lost people of the world, and as a Deacon of First Baptist Jackson, I commit myself to use my abilities to accomplish this commission through personal prayer, Bible study, and personal involvement to reach the lost.
- I commit myself to make a consistent continuous effort to love and minister to my fellow church members.
- I acknowledge my responsibility and commit myself to faithfully and regularly attend Sunday School and morning and evening Worship Services on the Lord's Day and other activities of the week as much as my family and work responsibilities will allow, and to faithfully support the budget of this Church.
- I will make a consistent effort to regularly attend the monthly Deacons Meetings and carry out any committee assignments.

Name (Please Print)

Date

Signature