

For over 70 years Union Church has linked people from many traditions as an international inter-denominational church. With English as our common language and a wonderful setting to worship and meet, friends have been made quicker and friendships have become deeper.

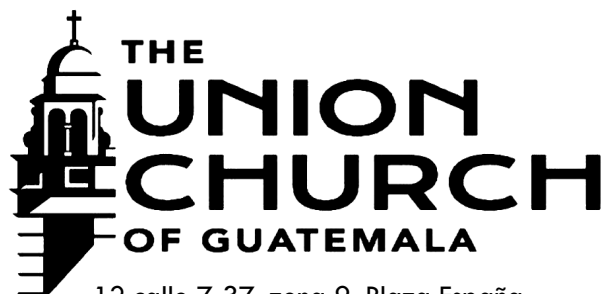
Union Church is a place where help and support have brought strength and wholeness.

Committed to the glory of God and called to be a community of faith, Union Church has been a spiritual retreat to thousands who are just passing through or are here for a lifetime.

Out of a great diversity of wonderful people has come community where "belonging" means needs are met in many ways. Come and find "a place to become."

A broad range of special interest and group activities is available at Union Church. Here are a few examples:

- ✦ Weekly Bible studies for ✦ Women ✦ Men ✦
- Moms with Young children ✦ Young Professionals
- ✦ Jr. and Sr. High School Youth Groups ✦ Children's Programs ✦ Sunday School Classes for All Ages ✦
- ✦ Annual and Mid-Year Congregational Meetings ✦
- Sewing and Crafts Group ✦ Loaning Library
- ✦ Used Book Sales ✦ Nursery ✦
- Thursday Communion Service
- ✦ Sunday Evening Services ✦ After Church Coffees ✦
- Pastoral Counseling ✦ Prayer Support
- Special worship services:** ✦ Ash Wednesday
- ✦ Palm Sunday ✦ Easter Sunrise ✦ Thanksgiving Eve
- ✦ Remembrance and Reconciliation ✦ Christmas Eve ✦

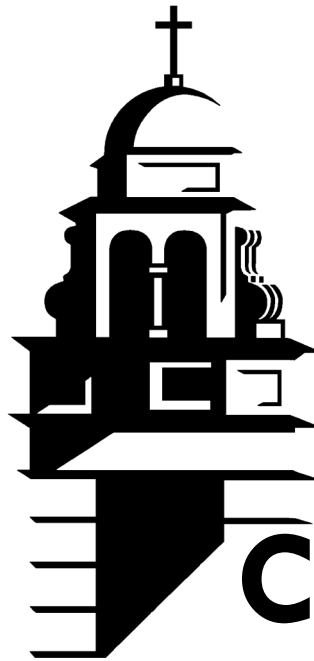


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BUILDING A HEALTHY CHURCH



CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

The "Whys" and "Hows"

For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.

Romans 12:4-5

JOIN THE CHURCH

The purpose of Union Church is to glorify God among the English-speaking community in Guatemala:

- By encouraging personal, loving, and maturing relationships with Jesus Christ;
- By modeling Christ-like lives;
- By serving the Body of Christ; and
- By ministering to the needs of others.

MEMBERSHIP IS GOOD FOR YOU. WE NEED ONE ANOTHER.

The idea of an independent Christian is totally alien to the New Testament.

It's hard enough to live a normal life in this place let alone a life of Christian values. Christians don't normally grow in isolation. That's the reason why God created the church. We all need to grow in our relationship with Christ and to become all God designed us to be.

Here at Union Church, in commitment to Christ and one another, we can grow more effectively. **A sense of belonging and participation is a great support in the battle against all that drags us back into mediocrity.**

MEMBERSHIP IS GOOD FOR THE CHURCH. WE NEED YOU.

Working with no denominational or other outside support, we rely upon members to provide all our servant leadership. The more members we have the greater our effort in impacting our English-speaking community.

We need your wisdom and participation. Help us grow; share the vision of spreading the fellowship to many more.

BECOME A MEMBER OF UNION CHURCH

With the help of our Lord and all our united efforts, we can lead more meaningful lives. As we share together, we can more effectively fulfill God's desire for each of us, our families, and our community.

If you would like to talk about membership, or want more information about Union Church, call the office and ask to speak with one of the elders.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

A. TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP:

There are two types of membership:

1. People who are only members here at Union Church are called "members."
2. People who desire to retain membership in a home church but still participate in the life and work of Union Church are called "Dual (Affiliate) Members." Dual members are accorded all the rights and privileges of membership.

B. QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:

Our Church constitution states it this way, Article 3.1:

"A person may become a member of this Church:

by presentation of a letter of dimission from any Protestant Church

by solemn affirmation of having been received as a member of a Protestant Church

by declaration of faith in God through Jesus Christ and a loyal purpose to work with others through the Church for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom on earth."

C. THE PROCEDURE FOR JOINING:

Complete a Membership Application and return it to the church office.

Receive the recommendation of the Board of Elders.

Meet with the Pastor and/or Elder representatives.

Be welcomed by the congregation at any worship service.