EPISODE 1: INTRO

Welcome:

- Purpose of this podcast: to help you walk through some of the content in our membership class.
- This episode: to give you a big overview of where we are going.

 The church covenant.
- Scripture, why?
- Acts 2:41-42- how to devote yourself to the church.
- Belief that Christians don't have a casual or consumer commitment to the body of Christ. We will seek to prove this.
- Summary: Our commitment to God, to one another, and to the mission.
- We will talk about why we have church membership
- There is a booklet that we hand out. Look at the table of contents Statement of faith
- Personal faith as a believer- what it means to be a christian Doctrine
- What we believe as a church-this shapes us. It is not enough to claim to believe in Jesus or the Bible because a great many churches and groups say that while believing crazy things.
- How we might be different from other churches you have been a part of, and definitely than other churches in America.

Obligations of members and of the church.

- Core values. This is a list of some things that are important to us that we want to stand out that are not simply matters of our belief but practice and emphasis.
- So what?
- Listen, read the scriptures and take notes. Prayerfully evaluate
- Write down questions.
- Actually read the materials. They are important!

The member's obligations to the church and the churches obligations to its members.