JOIN — IS — YOUR — NEXT — STEP!

# JOIN






At Shoreline City, you are loved, valued, and believed in! We believe you were born for such a time as this and it is our prayer you become all God has destined for your life. It is our honor and privilege to come alongside you to strengthen and encourage you as you join to 'make it on Earth as it is in Heaven'.


Culture

# OWNER MANUAL

JOIN | WHERE YOU MAKE SC YOUR OFFICIAL HOME

+ BECOME KNOWN + SEE YOU'RE NEEDED



# OUR STORY

In the Summer of 2010, Oneka and I sold our home, packed up our two precious sons, and moved to Dallas, TX. A short while later, Oneka and I sat in a living room in Dallas and shared the vision of Shoreline City with 17 courageous people. I will never forget that night as those people set out to help us build a life-giving Church in the heart of the city.

We started with a Bible study in a nursing home. The Bible study kept growing and we began meeting at the Angelika movie theatre. We had our grand opening on January 22, 2012 and saw over 500 people in attendance. Later in 2012, we moved into our first Church building just off of Northwest Highway. God kept sending families, students, single people and couples to be a part of our new Church. After going to multiple services, we realized we had outgrown this location and God blessed us with the opportunity to purchase our White Rock location.

We began services at White Rock in March of 2016 and now have multiple services with almost 5,000 people who call Shoreline City "home." In 2016, we launched a Bible study in Antigua, Guatemala and in 2017, this Bible study grew into full Sunday services. Since then, we've launched campuses in the Bishop Arts District of Dallas, Plano, Guatemala City, San Antonio and can't wait to see where God leads us next!

We want to make Jesus famous in the Dallas area, San Antonio area, Guatemala, and around the world. We want to be part of making it on earth as it is in Heaven. And we're just getting started.

# OWNERS

We believe every organization has a culture created by design or by default.

At Shoreline City, we are passionate about having a culture by design. God has given us a very clear picture of who we are called to be and by joining you are saying "yes" to that vision.

To be who we are called to be, we all want to own the vision of Shoreline City. We are praying For each person to have an owner mindset vs. being an observer within our church.

Here are some practical ways to think about being an owner vs. an observer.

- Owner says "I give my best" vs. Observer says "I give what's left"
- Owner says "Let's do it" vs. Observer says "Someone else needs to do it"
- Owner thinks about "we" vs. Observer thinks about "me"
- Owners participate vs. Observers spectate
- Owners are contributors vs. Observers are consumers



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God is good

Jesus is alive

The Spirit is working

The bible is the word of God

The Gospel is true

The cross and the empty grave are our message

Love is our motivation

People are our passion

Development is our joy

The 12 stones are our boundaries

Discord is a poison

Encouragement is our sound

Faith is our posture

Confrontation is necessary

Unity is our aim

Less of us and more of Him is our prayer

Character is our currency

Excellence is our standard

Forward is our direction

From our knees is where we lead

Prayer is our secret sauce

Worship is our weapon

Kindness is our fragrance

Victory is our anthem

Darkness is defeated

The devil is a liar

360 is our perspective

Growth is our expectation

Wisdom is our inheritance

Peace is our guard

Authentic is our spirit

Silos are our enemy

Giving is our honor

Change is our normal

Miracles still happen

Revival is now

Systems and Structures are our servant

Hope is our outlook

Honest is our assessment

Soft are our hearts

Thick is our skin

Diverse is our family

Joyful is our attitude

Anointed are our lives

Adopted is our position

Blessed, Favored and Called is our team

# 12 STONES

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12
STONES

# EVERY ORGANIZATION HAS A CULTURE,

whether it's intentional or unintentional. We're intentional about our culture! These stones are foundational in all we do and all we will do to bring Heaven to Earth!

# WE PREACH THE GOSPEL

In our songs, at our services, with our words and with our lives. We celebrate and share the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ in a way people can understand.



# WE LOVE PEOPLE

All of them! Backgrounds, shapes, colors, sizes, educations, salaries, single, married, young, old. churched, dechurched, unchurched.

12 STONES





# WE PROTECT UNITY

The poisons of gossip, complaining, backbiting, discord and division are not welcome here. Nor will they be tolerated.

# WE ARE PLANTED IN CHURCH

With a posture of generosity, we share our time in Connect Groups, our talents in Serving and our money through tithes and offerings.



# WE SERVE THE HURTING

The poor, the orphan, the lost, the forgotten and the broken are close to God's heart and we want them close to our hearts as well.

# WE FIGHT FOR SURRENDER

We are on a path to see every part of our lives (speech, finances, sexuality, insecurities, fears, triumphs, etc.) conformed to the character of Christ.





12 STONES

# WE SPEAK TO MOUNTAINS

We are agents of change in this world. Designed by God to carry out His mission of new life in every aspect of our culture (business, arts + entertainment, education, media, government).

# WE GIVE HONOR

To those we lead, we work beside, and those we follow. The cross gives every human being immeasurable worth. And we will treat people with the honor the cross displays and demands they deserve.



# WE WALK IN HUMILITY

Because God resists the proud but gives grace to the humble. We seek to agree fully with everything God says about us. False humility and overbearing pride can cripple the Church.

# WE SEE WITH EYES OF HOPE

God's final word is always good.
If it's not good then it's not final.




# WE EXPRESS JOY AND THANKS

We laugh, we celebrate, we applaud. We show the world and God our gratitude and happiness. We enjoy life!

# WE LEAD LIKE CHAMPIONS

Our confidence and competence is not based on our skill and talent, but on the glorious victory of our Savior Jesus Christ, who through His death, burial and resurrection, defeated darkness and redeemed the world. His victory is now our victory.

# MISSION STATEMENT

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TO RAISE UP

# CHRIST-LIKE LEADERS



WHO MAKE IT ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN


GIVE IT A
YEAR
GROUPS

To grow spiritually, we believe you have to be connected relationally, which is why we are a church made up of Connect Groups. It's not something we do but it's who we are. God created us to live in community with others and only then can we experience the full life He intends for us.

## A PLACE TO CONNECT WITH OTHERS

We were not made to do life alone. God created us for community, and Connect Groups along with Serve Teams provide a great place for you to connect with others, share life, and grow in faith together.

## A PLACE TO ENCOURAGE OTHERS

When we do life together, our problems become smaller as God uses others to bring support and encouragement to our lives.

a place to grow together

We believe every person is created with God-given potential to make a difference in the world. Connect Groups are a place you can grow with others to become more like Jesus and reach the potential God has put inside you.

Connect Groups become a place where others don't just know your name but care about
what is happening in your life and want to support you in your spiritual journey as you support them in theirs.

"You know that I have not hesitated to preach anything that
would be helpful to you but have taught you publicly and from
house to house." ACTS 20:20

"Yes, whatever a person is like, I try to find common ground with him so he will let me tell him about Christ and let Christ save him." 1 CORINTHIANS 9:22 TLB

"We know what real love is because Jesus gave up His life for us. So we also ought to give up our lives for our brothers and sisters." 1 JOHN 3:16 NLT

GIVE IT A YEAR

# GIFT

## HOP ON A SERVE TEAM AND USE YOUR GIFTS!

Leadership is influence. Nothing more. Nothing less. It is about influencing others in a worthwhile cause. It is not dependent on titles or positions. It is dependent on people taking a courageous step to live an outward (others) and upward (God) life, instead of an inward life. Leadership is enhanced as people discover their gifts and passions and then use them to make a difference in the lives of others. Jesus came to serve and as we grow to be more Christ-like we serve too.

"Jesus called them together and said, "You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." MARK 10:42-45

GIVE IT A YEAR

# GIVING

## WE ARE A GENEROUS CHURCH

It's bigger than money, it's about Jesus first.

When we tithe, we are communicating to God He is first in our life, and our trust is no longer in ourselves, but rather, we trust Him to provide for all our needs.

## IT'S A TRUTH TEST.

God's goodness and grace is around us and pursuing us. We give 10% of our income because it all belongs to Him. He has already sent us blessing after blessing. We believe there is a beautiful blessing that can't be measured when we give. But we don't give to get. We give because God first gave to us.

## IT'S NOT A DUTY, IT'S A DELIGHT.

"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing and your vats will brim over with new wine." PROVERBS 3:9-10

"But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."
MATTHEW 6:33

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it."
MALACHI 3:10

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."
MATTHEW 6:21

"It is more blessed to give than to receive." ACTS 20:35

It takes prayerful consideration and passionate action.

"Now about the collection for the Lord's people: Do what I told the Galatian churches to do. On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with your income, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made. Then, when I arrive, I will give letters of introduction to the men you approve and send them with your gift to Jerusalem. If it seems advisable for
me to go also, they will accompany me."
1 CORINTHIANS 16:1-4

# 4 R'S

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From the very beginning we knew we would need (4) things to be a church the world has never seen.

### WE RELY ON GOD'S PRESENCE

Our focus is on the strength and power of Jesus Christ, not our own abilities, gifts, or talents. We are utterly and completely dependent on Him.
He must become greater; I must become less. JOHN 3:30

### WE RAISE UP CHRIST-LIKE LEADERS

Being a Christ-like Leader is an integral part of you becoming who God has called you to be.

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you, always, to the very end of the age." MATTHEW 28:19-20
we give our resources to push the vision forward

### WE PUT GOD FIRST IN ALL OF OUR RESOURCES

- the resource of our time, gifts, and money. We have a Jesus-first mindset and want to give Him our first and our best rather than giving Him our leftovers.. "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." MATTHEW 6:21

### WE REMEMBER THE ONE

Since every ONE matters to God, every ONE matters to us. We are an others-oriented church family, not a "me-focused" church family. When we read the Bible, we see Jesus caring for and remembering the ONE. We want to be a community that does the same. That's why Connect Groups and Serve Teams are such a huge part of the Shoreline City culture. We are built on interaction and connection with God and each other. Whether that is through a virtual connection or an in-person connection, we see Shoreline City as much more than an organization. We see our church as a family.

"What do you think? If a man owns a hundred sheep, and one of them wanders away, will he not leave the ninety-nine on the hills and go to look for the one that wandered off? And if he finds it, truly I tell you, he is happier about that one sheep than about the ninety-nine that did not wander off." MATTHEW 18:12-23


5 H'S
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We are so glad you have said "yes" to this adventure of a lifetime. Buckle up, get ready to grow in your walk with God, and become all He has called you to be.

here's the character profile of a Christ-like leader who makes it on earth as it is in heaven.

### HEART

Our leadership is an overflow of a life lived in love with Jesus. With grace we represent Jesus and Shoreline City, by living a surrendered life. We are faithful to respond to God's generosity by being generous with our time, talent, and money.

### HUDDLE

We are passionate about seeing others become Christ-like leaders who make it on earth as it is in Heaven. We are others-oriented and have a passion to bring others along on the journey to becoming a Christ-like leader.

### HUMILITY

Our posture is, "there you are" and not "here I am." We strive to be teachable, coachable and above reproach. We lead from a position of humility, not arrogance.

### HONOR

We give honor to those we lead, those we walk beside, and those we follow. We use life-giving words to build up people in our sphere of influence, and remember that being a Christ-like leader is a gift, not a favor.

### HUSTLE

We are self-starters, taking initiative to make our world better. We are problem solvers not problem finders. We have an all-in attitude and are faithful, responsible, and take ownership in all areas.



# THE CREED

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We say our Creed together as a church every week to reorient our hearts around the truth of who we are, who God is and what we are called to do!

# I AM LOVED BY GOD. I CANNOT EARN IT. I CANNOT LOSE IT.

# IN CHRIST I AM FORGIVEN AND MADE BRAND NEW. I LIVE WITH PASSION AND PURPOSE.

# I AM EMPOWERED BY THE SPIRIT TO BE THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD AND TO LIVE FOR THE GLORY OF GOD.


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