

# Four Different Ways to Join our Church:

## 1. Join by Publicly Announcing Your Faith & Getting Baptized

If you will receive Jesus Christ as your personal Savior and follow Him in baptism by immersion, we welcome you into our family.

## 2. Transfer Your Membership from Another Church

If you have already been saved and baptized as a Baptist, whose church membership is elsewhere, should God direct you here, we will be pleased to welcome you into our church family. We will happily take care of appropriate details for transferring your membership from your previous church.

## 3. Join by Being Baptized

If you know in your heart that you are already saved and want to become a member, we invite you to join us by baptism. This gives testimony of your salvation and your obedience to Him.

## 4. Join by a Statement of Your Faith

In the event records are not available for a transfer of membership, or if you were once a Baptist and are now a member of another denomination, we will accept you upon your statement of these conditions.

More Info:

## ***Lighthouse Baptist Church is distinctly...***

**Independent:** Not part of any convention nor subject to any national association

**Fundamental:** Believing the entire Bible literally

**Evangelistic:** Believing the winning of souls to be our most important mission

**Missionary:** Begun by a Baptist church & desiring to start other Baptist churches

## What is a Baptist?

*Here are the basics that distinguish Baptists from other churches...*

B - Bible is the sole authority of faith & practice

A - Autonomy (self-governing) of each local church in regards to finances, building, etc.

P - Priesthood of every believers (anyone may come to God & everyone must answer to God for himself)

T - Two Ordinances: Baptism & the Lord's Supper (the two things Christ intended for only the church to administer to upon those who are believers)

I - Immersion is the one true mode of baptism for believers

S - Separation of church & state – the state should have no laws governing religion

T - Two Offices: Pastor & Deacons provide the church's leadership

S - Salvation is by grace, through faith alone (not by good works)