



NorthEast
Community

THINKING ABOUT MARRIAGE

First Things First

A couple who wishes to be married should read the information on the back of this card carefully. If they agree to the guidelines they may complete and submit a marriage application on line.

Each Couple desiring to be married must fill out an application (Individually) and submit it. When the application has been reviewed the applicants will be contacted to set up an appointment. This appointment will consist of an interview with an elder from the church to discuss the possibility and procedure for marriage at North East Community Church.

There will be 8 sessions with another married couple from North East Community, a pastor, or a counselor approved by our board. These sessions are to help couples look at the challenges of marriage. We also ask the couple to continue at least a year mentoring relationship with that couple or person.

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Marriage Defined

Marriage is for life and reflects Christ's sacrificial love for the Church. Marriage is intended to be permanent and divorce is against the clear teaching of Christ. So getting married is a serious endeavor. Marriage is between a male and female and should only be entered into after prayer for divine direction and Biblical counsel. (Genesis 1:26-28, 31; 2:21-24; Malachi 2:13-16; Matthew 19:3-9; John 2:1-11)

Convictions and Beliefs

According to the scriptures, North East Community Church of the Nazarene is not at liberty to conduct marriages under the following circumstances:

We are not at liberty to marry:

- Individuals of the same sex.
- Those couples who have differing faiths. (Jewish & Protestant, etc)
- couples where one is a believer in Christ Jesus and one is not.

North East Community Church of the Nazarene ascribes to the same biblical view of marriage as stated in our manual paragraph 30.0, 30.2, 32, 514.10, and 536.16

Why Is Jesus So Important

God has never promised anyone an easy marriage. Marriage is God's design and therefore He knows all about the struggles you will face. His word has a lot to say about marriage and it also has a lot to say about how to live in love towards others, which includes our spouse. A Close relationship with Jesus changes us for the good and makes our marriage relationship honoring to God and fulfilling to one another.



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