

## Application For Wedding Services

Bride: \_\_\_\_\_ Groom: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Slater Baptist Church retains the right to address and decide its own written policies.

### **I. Selection Of Weddings**

**A.** Because weddings are a spiritual union, the church will only do weddings for members and children and grandchildren of members. Further, couples married at this church must not be divorced for reasons other than adultery committed by the person's former spouse (Matthew 5:31-32; 19:3-9) and/or abuse or abandonment of the person by the former spouse (1 Corinthians 7:15), and must abide by the guidelines of purity, including abstinence from sexual activity and the appearance of evil, as set forth by the pastor performing the marriage.

**B.** The pastor(s) retain the right to reject, at any point, to participate or host weddings.

**C.** All weddings held at SBC must be approved by the Leadership Team.

### **II. Use Of Facilities**

**A.** The church must be put in order before Saturday night is over. Families should plan to reset the church at the end of the night, including putting items moved back in place, vacuuming used areas, and cleaning up messes. There is a fee of \$50 for the church and \$100 to the custodian for any extra cleaning she will have to do.

**B.** There will be no alcohol, non-prescription or illegal drugs, tobacco, or inappropriate music (determined by the pastors) on the premises of the church.

### **III. Personnel And Requirements**

**A.** The Senior and/or Associate Pastor will serve as the lead pastor in all weddings, unless he designates the wedding to another pastor. Other pastors may be involved in weddings, yet such pastors must be approved by the church pastors. Appropriately, the officiating pastor should be consulted first before wedding plans are made and all weddings will be directed under his discretion.

**B.** All couples wishing to be married will meet with a church pastor for premarital counseling (usually 5-6 meetings). The couple will only be charged for the reimbursement of materials used.

**C.** Couples must regularly attend our morning church services until the wedding day, or, in the case of children or grandchildren of members, must disclose where they will be attending church until the wedding.

**We, the couple, agree to be bound by these guidelines.**

Bride's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Groom's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_