

Gratia Life Mission Covenant Agreement

This **Covenant Agreement** describes the **Gratia Life Mission** Counselor/Coach to Client relationship. Prior to the initial Counseling/Coaching meeting, Clients must **agree, sign** and **submit** the following form.

1. **GENERAL DISCLAIMER:** **Gratia Life Mission** is a for-profit Christian busyness/ministry and a DBA of **Gratia Life, LLC** where the Counselor/Coach to Client relationship is based on a voluntary mutual **Covenant Agreement**. Upon notice, either party may freely sever this relationship at any time. Services provided are to be considered a “Biblical Counseling/Coaching” relationship, only. As a Biblical Counselor/Coach, no “Professional” licenses are claimed, nor do they exist, in the fields of psychology, social work, or counseling. Practical applications from counselor/coach training, pastoral studies, and life-experiences are the **ONLY** credentials to be considered. Counseling/Coaching accountability and standards are consistent with Christian historic confessions of faith AND good standing with the **International Association of Biblical Counselors (IABC)** <http://iabc.net>, respectively.

Gratia Life relies on the ministry of the Holy Spirit through an ongoing counseling/coaching process. For it is Christ, alone, who reveals the Father’s Truth, little by little — through grace, in spite of the admitted fallibilities of the counselor/coach and/or client.

2. **SCOPE:** **Gratia Life Mission** offers counseling, coaching, discipleship, consulting, and mentoring services for those seeking biblically-based answers and solutions to today’s challenges, including: personal, marital, relationships, depression/anxiety, fears/worries, bereavement, addictions, sexual, vocational, financial, health, nutrition and more. This **Covenant** is an agreement-relationship between Counselor/Coach & Client, working together to apply sound-historical and biblical principals for personal application to enhance spiritual/practical growth and maturity. **The Counselor/Coach agrees** to provide ongoing prayer, research, third party support, practical applications, appropriately assigned home study for deepening understanding, and ongoing meeting availability for the overall good of the Client. **The Client agrees** to comply with scheduled appointments, completion of any studies or assignments, as well **“THE GRATIA PLAN”** (below).

3. **FINANCIAL ADVISOR DISCLAIMER:** Any Counselor/Coach to Client discussion that is financial, in nature, is limited to financial principles and budgeting, **ONLY**. The Counselor/Coach is never to be considered as a professional financial advisor resource or a provider of financial advice for investment or planning purposes. **Gratia Life Mission, nor its Counselor/Coach, will act at any time, or in any capacity, to represent Gratia Financial, LLC, while conducting an active Gratia Life Mission Counselor/Coach to Client session, or meeting, unless a separate signed contract agreement has been established with that said firm.**

4. **ORGANIZATIONAL DISCLOSURE:** **Gratia Life, LLC** is registered with the state of Missouri, operating as, and doing business as (DBAs): **Randall S Swetnam - consulting, Gratia Life Mission – counseling/coaching, The Gratia Group – a business advisory consortium, Securus Life – a life, accident & health insurance, and Novellus Biohealth – a health & nutrition consultant/distributor.**

5. **CONFIDENTIALITY:** Client protection of provided personal information is assured. All records are kept strictly confidential and secure between Counselor/Coach and Client. No third party, (i.e., Client’s relative, family doctor, etc.) is permitted to access any case records without Client’s written authorization. **Gratia Life Mission** will securely retain this **Covenant Agreement, Personal inventory, and Financial Form**, along with any other Counselor/Coach data for up to five years at completion of the counseling/coaching process.

6. **THE GRATIA PLAN:** As a “Grace & Gratitude” for-profit busyness-ministry, we receive “Gratuities” from Clients based on their own value judgments of the Grace (ministry/services) received vs. charging an hourly rate. “Freely you have received; so, freely give.” – Matt. 10:8 and “... the Lord directs those who proclaim the gospel to get their living from the gospel.” – 1 Cor. 9:14.

We recommend the following sliding scale formula, as a guide:
.1% of one’s gross family income per session (Example: .001 x \$100,000 gross family income = \$100 per session.)

Client(s) agrees to **“THE GRATIA PLAN”** and to make direct payments to **Gratia Life, LLC** or Mission, at: <http://GratiaLife.org>
By signing below, I/We agree to this Covenant according to each of the six statements, above.

Client Name(s): _____

Client Signature(s): _____

Date: _____