1.     **Affirm the Statement of Faith** – Each Pillar Church will affirm the Statement of Faith so as to maintain unity throughout the network and only utilize confessional statements in matters of membership that are in continuity with it. The use of an alternative statement of faith may be utilized when it has been determined to be in continuity by a majority of existing Praetorian Project member church representatives. The basis for the determination will be the ability for members to transition between churches by affirming the same doctrinal beliefs in good conscience.

2.     **Practice regenerative church membership**– Our churches will welcome into membership those Christians who can affirm our Statement of Faith, give a valid profession of faith in Christ, and maintain fellowship in the local body in a manner that allows for a legitimate, ongoing affirmation of their profession by the other members.

3.     **Preach expositional sermons** – The regular pattern of preaching in our churches will be to preach the gospel by explaining the text of Scripture, giving priority to working through entire books of the Bible, and making the main themes of the sermon reflective of the main arguments of the text.

4.     **Institute a biblical model of church government** – Our churches will be led by a plurality of qualified elders, served by deacons, and practice congregational authority in matters of membership, discipline, dispute, and doctrine.

5.     **Engage in church multiplication by developing, sending, and financially supporting church planters** – From the earliest stages our churches will be committed to sending and supporting workers who will serve as church planting missionaries. The leadership will remain committed to the sacrificial support of like-minded church planting missionaries and practically teach their congregations to joyfully participate in the Great Commission in this manner.

6.     **Adopt and utilize the designated sections of the membership course**– Each church will use basic sections of the Pillar Church membership course in common with other churches in the Praetorian Project. The sections in common will be determined by the Praetorian Project Board and updated and improved as needed.

7.     **Support the development of churches that embody the practices reflected in the guidelines** – Our churches will joyfully cooperate with and develop other churches that embody the guidelines established by the Praetorian Project.

8.     **Share the Pillar Church name and branding**– Our churches will adopt the pattern of “Pillar Church of *Location*” and use the associated logos in a uniform manner online and in person. [The Praetorian Project Brand Guide](https://praetorianproject.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2022/05/Praetorian-Project-Branding-Guidelines-2022.pdf) will guide this process.