



Dear Engaged Couple:

Hi, Let us say first that we are honored you are interested in having us officiate your wedding. Our goal is to honor the Biblical institution of marriage and to serve you in the best way possible. We want you to be aware of our basic policies for couples preparing to marry. Please keep in mind that if you intend to be married by a Twin lakes Church pastor or at Twin Lakes Church, our church wedding policy applies.

For the sake of your happiness in marriage, the Bible states that couples should be in agreement about their faith. Therefore we are prevented from marrying a Christian (fully devoted follower of Christ) to a non- Christian, or a couple with significant and opposing theological view. We will not ask you to agree with us at Twin Lakes Church, just with each other.

If you are Christians, God has placed boundaries on your physical relationship before marriage in order that you might fully enjoy the blessing and gift of sex. This boundary includes abstaining from premarital sex (as we see in 1 Thessalonians 4:18, 1 Corinthians 6:18). Please be prepared for us to broach this subject during counseling. If you are currently sexually involved or living together at the same address, we will see your commitment to develop a plan so that you:

- Live separately

- Remain celibate until your wedding night

- Have an opportunity to enhance all other forms of relational intimacy and bonding.

If you feel this is difficult for you, would you both be willing to talk about the positive reason God gives us for abstinence before marriage? Please do not let this issue stop you from talking to us.

If you can agree with these provisions, please fill out our Premarital Counseling Request Form as soon as possible so that we can get things moving towards your wedding day! Once again, we consider it a great privilege to share in something so wonderful!

In Christ,

TLC Pastoral Staff