

[Weddings At BCC]

FAQ

1. How much does it cost to be married at Bethesda?

There is a fee of \$35 for the Prepare Survey used in the Growing Together class, \$45 fee for Catechism and \$250 to reserve your tentative wedding date.

2. Are there any other fees associated with my wedding ceremony?

Fees for soloists and musicians should be discussed directly with them. Honorarium for the officiating clergymen will be discussed with your wedding coordinator.

3. What does a Bethesda wedding coordinator do?

Bethesda provides a Rehearsal and Ceremony coordinator. This person will meet with you one month prior to the wedding and will assist in organizing your rehearsal/ceremony. The coordinator will then oversee the rehearsal and ceremony according to plan.

4. Can I have a minister from another church marry me?

Another minister (approved by the Pastor) may participate in your wedding ceremony, but a Bethesda clergyman must administer the vows.

5. May we write our own vows?

Only the traditional wedding vows are performed by Bethesda ministers.

Premarital Requirements at Bethesda

1. Complete the Growing Together application as well as the Marriage form and return them to the Church Office.
2. Upon receiving your completed marriage forms, you will be contacted by the director of Family Ministries for an interview. During this interview, the three of you will have the opportunity to discuss your marriage and "tentatively" set dates, times, and particulars for your wedding day. Scheduling the marriage ceremony must be done well in advance of the interested date.
3. Attend the Growing Together premarital class (12-weeks), 3 counseling sessions with a Mentor Couple and Catechism.
4. After the above requirements are completed your tentative date will be officially scheduled.



[Marriage Application]

Proposed Wedding Date: (1st) _____ (2nd) _____ (3rd) _____

Requested Minister: _____

BRIDE

Full Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ ZIP _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Occupation _____ DOB _____

GROOM

Full Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ ZIP _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Occupation _____ DOB _____

Bride and Groom please answer the following questions:

Where do you hold church membership? _____

How long have you been attending Bethesda Christian Church? _____

When and where did you complete Catechism? _____

How long have you known the person you're contemplating marrying? _____

Have you had a previous marriage? _____

Do you have children? Yes No

Name: _____ Age: _____ Father's/Mother's Name: _____

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Signature of Applicant





"Growing Together"



PRE-MARITAL CLASS APPLICATION

Tentative wedding date: (1st) _____ (2nd) _____ (3rd) _____

BRIDE

Full Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ ZIP _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Email _____ DOB _____

Home Church _____

Pastor _____

GROOM

Full Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ ZIP _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Email _____ DOB _____

Home Church _____

Pastor _____

Please Circle:

Has the groom been married before? Yes No

Has the bride been married before? Yes No

Does the bride or groom have children? Yes No

How long have you known the person you're contemplating marrying? _____

Class is held Sundays at 9 AM



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