

Fully Known, Fully Loved

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Family Expectations

We are family in Christ

Matthew 28:16-20 *"Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'"*

Family Expectations In The Home

As for me and my house... (Joshua 24:15)

The expectations of family who come into the home have been established to encourage a community, in the Spirit of Christ, that is:

- Surrendered to the will of God
- Loving to all the inhabitants (*we are family*)
- Mindful of others in the home
- Hospitable to family (*spiritual and natural*) visiting from outside of our home
- Respectful to the homeowner (*and Father owns everything!*)

Spiritual Life In Christ

The Fully Known, Fully Loved home is consecrated to God in the name of Jesus Christ. Together we are a family, the family of God; and individually, disciples of Christ. We are His ambassadors, entrusted with a message of reconciliation. Our lives in Christ are sanctified by the truth of God's Word, and the spiritual disciplines, or "*rhythms*," we engage in daily and weekly, work to establish the Spirit-driven process of forming the inner man in such a way that it becomes like the inner being of Christ himself. When you say yes to discipleship in this home (God's home) you are saying yes to the rhythms we participate in.

Luke 14:26-33 *"If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. 27 Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. 28 For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? 29 Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, 30 saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish.' 31 Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? 32 And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. 33 So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple."*

Upon Admission

Admission into the discipleship home is a privilege and not a right. Upon admission, the new family member(s) must be willing to submit all possessions to inspection.

Privacy

Because FKFL is a residential discipleship home with family members, the expectation of privacy is limited to your room or bathroom, and, without permission, you are not allowed in anyone else's. The only exception applies to the overseer of the home, who may enter any room, with sufficient notice. All family members share community spaces like the kitchen, living room, etc.

Hygiene

All family members in the home are expected to maintain personal hygiene habits. Please note, it is important to have grace and forbearance for one another because we have different backgrounds and stories in our past—one person's standard may look different than another's, therefore we will strive to communicate basic standards. This includes, but is not limited to, washing hands, taking showers, brushing your teeth, wearing deodorant, clipping finger and toenails, etc. If you need supplies, please let the home overseer know.

In addition, it is a priority to maintain clean and tidy bathroom spaces.

- Organize your space for toiletries
- Sanitize toilets and showers after use
- Wipe down bathroom counters
- Empty and rinse sink strainers
- Windex bathroom mirrors

Laundry

The washer and dryer units are available for your use. If you do not like the laundry cleaning products in the home you are free to purchase your own, and storage space will be provided for you. A community iron and ironing board are also available. If necessary, the overseers may institute a weekly laundry schedule.

Curfew

Family members are expected to be in the home by 9:30 PM every night (lights out at 10:30 PM); arrivals after 9:30 PM require explicit permission from the home overseer.

Electricity

An aspect of good stewardship is conservation. Family members are expected to steward well everything powered by electricity—including lights, fans, electronics, etc., when they are not in use.

TV's and Community Computers

This home is consecrated to the Lord our God. Movies, music, and video on community monitors and computers is limited to Christ-centered content, with the exception of personal research and documents; for example, resumes, tax documents, fix-it videos, local search, etc. You may watch sports, movies, or other programs on personal devices with headphones only. If you are uncertain, ask the home overseer for direction.

Proverbs 4:23 *"Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life."*

Medications

Prescription medications are the sole responsibility of the family member and must be presented to the home overseer upon admission to the home. Family members may not use narcotics, opioids, benzodiazepines, nor marijuana in any form, but may choose to use ibuprofen or Tylenol for headaches and pain relief.

Alcohol & Drugs

All family members are required to abstain from alcohol and drugs during their stay, with the exception of approved prescription and over-the-counter medications. Drug tests may be randomly administered and refusal to take a test will be viewed the same as a positive result; consequences for test refusals and positive results will be determined by the elder board and home overseer. Anyone found to be distributing alcohol or drugs will be permanently banned from the property.

Overnight Absence

All family members are required to have approval from the home overseer for overnight absences.

Visitors

Please let the home overseer know if you are expecting visitors. We encourage the use of this home for Christian community.

Chores

All family members are expected to do their part to maintain a clean, safe, and orderly environment. Each family member is responsible for the cleanliness of personal spaces and will also participate in community chores daily/weekly.

Fees

There are no fees for rent for the first sixty days. After residing in the home for sixty days, beginning with the 1st day of the next calendar month, family members are required to contribute monthly payments of \$300 for rent and utilities. There are no other costs apart from personal expenditures.

Schedules

Family members who maintain outside employment are expected to share their weekly schedules with the entire family. It is also important to let the overseer know about any important dates or appointments.

Smoking/Vaping

There is no smoking or vaping in the home or on the home property.

Behavior

In order to maintain a safe environment for family members, we keep a zero-tolerance policy in place regarding the following behaviors, resulting in immediate dismissal.

- **Violence.** This includes threats of violence, intimidation, or any kind of verbal or physical abuse. Possession of weapons is prohibited.
- **Theft.** This also includes destruction of the home's, or another member's, property.
- **Sexual behavior.** This includes the use of sex-related media, masturbation, and solicitation of sex.

In addition, possession or use of alcohol, illegal drugs, narcotic medication, marijuana (in any form), or any mood-altering chemicals or behaviors, along with drug paraphernalia, or pornography, will result in immediate dismissal for a minimum of 90 days.

Agreement

I have read the Family Expectations document. I am in agreement with the expectations listed, and choose to abide in them as a family member in the Fully Known, Fully Loved discipleship home. I understand it is a privilege and not a right to live in the home. If I choose not to participate in community (*spiritual rhythms, gatherings, events, discipline, etc.*), in the Spirit of Christ, then I am also choosing to depart from the home. It is important to note that departing from the home does not mean departing from family; for we are members, one to another, in the body of Christ. This document is subject to change, and any additions or edits will be discussed individually as well as in a group meeting.

(Family Member Signature)

(Date)

(Home Overseer Signature)

(Date)

Welcome to our home! Please let us know if you have additional questions or requests.