



## **FAQ's ABOUT OWNERSHIP**

### **· What does it mean to be an “owner” at Westwinds?**

As Christians, we are members of God’s household ( Ephesians 2:19) called to function, participate, and minister in a particular place within the body of Christ. A healthy body requires that each member do its part well. A healthy church requires the same: members, or “owners” as we call them, are sacrificially committed to do the work of the ministry that God has prepared in advance for them to do (cf. Ephesians 2:10, 4:12).

### **What are the requirements for becoming an owner at Westwinds?**

A Westwinds owner is on board with Westwinds mission, vision, and values, they support and participate in the Elements and Satellites, and align themselves with or theological essentials. Owners give of their time, their talent, and their treasure. We encourage you to complete a registration form either in paper version or on-line, attend the three week APP, and attend the monthly Hivemind gathering.

### **Is church membership/ownership even biblical?**

While it is true that everyone who worships Jesus is a part of one global Church body, the Bible also recognizes smaller congregations as “churches” and encourages them to be organized. In Acts 20:28, the Apostle Paul instructs the elders of the church at Ephesus to keep watch of the flock over which God made them overseers. Keeping watch over the flock would be impossible if we did not know who our owners were. So here at Westwinds, once you become an owner, you are assigned a Deacon or Coach to watch over you. This is the cluster of people you will sit with at the monthly Hivemind meeting, which could be considered small congregations as stated above.

Thank you for taking the time to read through these FAQ’s. We do hope they have been helpful in providing some of the answers you may have been looking for. Should you have further questions, feel free to contact the office at 517-750-1111 or email at [info@westwinds.org](mailto:info@westwinds.org). We look forward to being part of this exciting new journey!

Blessings

The Westwinds Staff

**OWNER REGISTRATION FORM**  
**PLEASE COMPLETE PRIOR TO THE FIRST OWNERS MEETING**

**PLEASE PRINT**

Name

Address

City

State

Zip

Cell Phone

OK to Text

Email

Date of Birth

*In attempt to get you know you better, Please briefly respond to the following questions:*

- When did you first start attending Westwinds?

- What or who influenced you to visit Westwinds?

- What motivated you to get baptized? Check one.

Friend

Satellite Group

The Cue Messages

Reading my Bible

Ownership Process

Community Email

Why is now the right time for you to get baptized?

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· Where would you describe yourself spiritually when you started attending? Check one.

Cynic

Seeker

Growing Believer

Skeptic

New Believer

Stagnant Believer

Spectator

Other

Where would you describe yourself spiritually NOW? Check one.

Cynic

Seeker

Growing Believer

Skeptic

New Believer

Stagnant Believer

Spectator

Other

· Are you currently in a satellite group or serving on a ministry team? If so, which group or team?

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\_\_\_ I would be willing to let you use all or part of my story in one of the Cue Services or on the website

\_\_\_ I would be willing to share my story but ONLY for it to be used anonymously

Thanks again for registering for the **Owners APP**.  
We look forward to sharing this exciting time with you.