Who can be married at ACCF?

We believe that marriage is an institution sanctioned by God, which joins one man and one woman in a single, exclusive union (Genesis 2:24, Hebrews 13:4).

Any couple interested in getting married at ACCF must first submit the <u>online application</u> and meet with one of our pastors. Each wedding will be prayerfully considered on a case-by-case basis. The ACCF pastor who meets with you will be able to give you clearer direction once you have had the opportunity to meet together.

Athey Creek's wedding ministry exists to serve in a variety of ways:

- Premarital counseling with an ACCF pastor
- An ACCF pastor who will officiate your wedding
- Onsite weddings at ACCF
- An ACCF pastor who will officiate an offsite wedding at an alternate venue

What Happens Next?

- 1. As a couple, you submit the <u>online application</u>.
- 2. Our Lead Wedding Coordinator will contact you to schedule your initial premarital appointment.
- 3. You will meet with an ACCF pastor for your first premarital appointment. Typically, couples will meet with a pastor several times over the course of their engagement to examine what the Bible has to say about marriage and how to prepare for a new life together.
- 4. After your initial meeting, our Lead Wedding Coordinator will contact you to schedule the remainder of your premarital appointments.
- 5. You will be connected with your ceremony coordinator who will assist you with any details pertaining to your ceremony. Your coordinator will also direct your wedding rehearsal, assist the pastor and facilitate details on the day of your wedding.

Please note:

You will find that our wedding coordinators are a great resource to help your ceremony flow smoothly. If an ACCF pastor is officiating your wedding offsite, an Athey Creek Coordinator is **required** to facilitate your dress rehearsal and direct the order of ceremony.

Finally, the most important thing is that you have fun and enjoy your time together. We have

witnessed the Lord do many great things in marriages and are excited to see what the Lord will do in your lives during this wonderful time!