

Text of email Feedback on Discussion Forum 3 September 2023 dated 14 October 2022

Thank you for attending and participating in the Discussion Forum on Saturday 3 September.

On the day we discussed Draft Recommendations on Affiliation, Baptist Values and Marriage, to provide opportunity for feedback and reflection prior to the final versions being presented for consideration at our Assembly on Saturday November 12.

As you are aware, during the afternoon there was an extended group discussion session to facilitate feedback and reflections on the draft recommendations. This feedback and the conversation generated around it have been considered carefully by Assembly Council and the Council is in the last stages of finalising the Recommendations, which include some changes in response to the feedback. The recommendations document will be circulated to our churches as soon as it has been finalised, which we anticipate will be in the next week.

At the Forum it was noted that the feedback received on the day would be made available to those who participated. Please find a summary of this feedback [HERE](#)

Also there were requests for the PowerPoint and notes from the talk given by Rev Dr Graeme Chatfield on the topic *“The Place of Common Affirmations of Faith or Practice in Baptist Life.”* These can be requested from the Assembly Council Secretary, Fanny Wong, at assemblycouncil@nswactbaptists.org.au.

Again, thank you for your involvement in this process and for your valuable input. Below you will find details on how you can be involved with our time of prayer for the Assembly and also a link for delegates to register. I look forward to seeing you again at these events.