



Membership with Tuggeranong Baptist Church

MEMBERSHIP AT TUGGERANONG BAPTIST CHURCH INC

Church Membership brings with it responsibility for the orderly conduct of the affairs of the church. Tuggeranong Baptist Church is an incorporated body. Church membership is automatically membership of the Incorporation. Members enjoy the same pastoral care and serving opportunities as the rest of the Fellowship. The *ACT's Incorporation Act* requires that we maintain an up-to-date register of members.

Criteria for membership are listed in Clause 10 of our [Constitution](#) (Rules of Incorporation).

There is no financial liability attached to being a member.

Membership responsibilities include:

- attendance at general and special meetings (Forums, Special and Annual General Meetings) where a quorum is required in order to transact any business matters;
- voting on motions before the meeting, usually proposals that involve major financial expenditure, annual financial statements, appointment of pastors and distribution of funds in the event of the dissolution of the church; and
- notifying the church whenever they change their address.

Applying for Membership

Anyone in the Fellowship may approach the Elders of the church at any time to enquire about taking on the responsibility of membership.

If you wish to become a member of Tuggeranong Baptist Church, review Clause 10 of the *Constitution*, the *Membership Covenant* and complete the form *Application for Membership* attached. Send your application to tbchurch@internode.on.net. Your application will be considered by the Elders

Resigning your Membership

To resign your membership, forward written notification of your resignation to tbchurch@internode.on.net and indicate whether you wish to participate in an *Exit Interview* with a representative of the Eldership. Only written requests will be accepted as a form request to resign membership. That is, verbal messages via a third party are not accepted as a form of resignation.

The records of membership are periodically revised by the Eldership.

Actions following your resignation

The following actions will be taken:

- details of the period of your membership will be archived as they may be required in the future in the event of an allegation of abuse being lodged for a period of 30 years after your resignation
- your electronic personnel record and screening questionnaire covering your volunteer service will be kept for a period of 30 years
- your account in the App and on the Website (if applicable) will be disabled; and
- your name will be removed from all future membership email distribution lists.

RESTRICTIONS AND SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR VARIOUS ROLES

Eldership

Only Members may be appointed as Elders.

Voting Age

Members who are under the age of 18 may not vote on matters pertaining to the purchase or sale of property.

Further information

For further information please feel free to contact any member of the Eldership team or reach out to administration staff at tbchurch@intrnode.on.net.