

# Membership Agreement

## PREAMBLE

We, the members of Coomera Baptist Church, believe that the following commitment summarises biblical standards for the Christian life, outlines our expectations of one another, and articulates how we agree to live out the truth and beauty of life together as a church.

## MEMBERSHIP COMMITMENT

Having been brought, by God's grace, to repent and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and give up our lives in service to Him who died for us and rose again, and having been baptized in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, we do now, in dependence upon His Spirit, solemnly and joyfully renew our commitment to each other.

We will work and pray together for the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, choosing unity over division in areas of preference.

We will work together in love, exercising an affectionate care and watchfulness over each other. We will faithfully admonish and entreat one another as occasion may require, and speak the truth in love, so that we may build one another up and give grace, not gossip, to those who hear.

We will not forsake to regularly gather with our local church family, nor neglect to pray for ourselves and others.

We will rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep, and endeavour with tenderness and sympathy to bear each other's burdens and sorrows.

We will raise our children and youth in the nurture and counsel of the Lord. We will develop both personal and family spiritual disciplines, and by a pure and loving example we will seek the salvation of our family and friends.

We will seek, by God's grace, to live in a manner worthy of the gospel, walking in wisdom and denying ungodliness, resisting sin and pursuing holiness.

We will work together to maintain a gospel-centred, Christ-exalting ministry in this church by submitting to its biblical leadership, upholding the centrality of preaching, the administration of believer's baptism and the Lord's Supper, the defending of our doctrines, and the exercise of church discipline.

We will contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, and the spread of the Gospel through all nations, in a manner that reflects God's generosity shown to us in the gospel.

We will, when we move on from this place, unite with another church where we can carry out the spirit of this commitment and the principles of God's word.

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all.

Amen