



Church@TheGabba – PO Box 8093, Woolloongabba, Qld, 4102 – (07)38919210 – office@gabbachurch.org

## Volunteer Declaration

Thank you for your desire to volunteer at Church@TheGabba. This declaration is part of our church's commitment to ensuring our duty of care to all people and, also, to fulfil our insurance obligations, health and safety and other requirements.

Volunteering in church life is a highly valued and important part of service to the church. This Declaration needs to be completed in conjunction with the reading of the Church@TheGabba's **Volunteer Policy** and **Code of Conduct** and the signing of this Declaration implies the acceptance of and agreement with these policies.

### **PERSONAL DETAILS**

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

First and Middle Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Any Former Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Male  Female (Please select) Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### **CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECK AND/OR WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK**

I hereby consent to a Police Check if one is considered necessary for my role.

My blue card details, where required, are as follows:

Blue card holder's name (as it appears on the card): \_\_\_\_\_

Card number : \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

### **CONSENT TO HOLD INFORMATION**

I consent to the information contained in this application including the subsequent pages to be kept by Church@TheGabba. I understand that this information will be kept in a confidential file and used only for screening and disciplinary purposes.

### **REFEREE CHECK** (if you have been at the church for less than 3 years)

Please nominate a character reference. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of my previous church and pastor (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

### **DECLARATION**

1. I understand that the church operates in an environment of numerous legal and ethical restrictions, and I will fully cooperate with the church in abiding by these. I assure the church, in considering me for a volunteer role that:

- I have no health impediment that will put me or any other person at risk in the fulfilment of my designated role
  - Other than those matters disclosed by me to the church (noted above) at the time of making this declaration, I know of no past behaviour that renders me unfit to serve as a volunteer or which detracts from the obligation of the church to operate as a place of safety to a minor or any other person. Such past behaviour may include being the subject of an allegation of sexual abuse (whether convicted or not), including any type of molestation, indecent exposure, sexual harassment or intimidation.
2. I understand that if I am unclear as to any of the statements in this document, I will seek clarification from a team leader or church leader before signing.
  3. I have provided this information and any documents accompanying it in good faith and declare they are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
  4. I understand that any material misstatement in or omission from this questionnaire may render me unfit to hold a particular role in the church.
  5. I have received a copy of the Church Code of Conduct Policy and I agree to uphold it.
  6. I understand that, as a volunteer I must have integrity in all matters, including financial, and must not seek financial gain from my service within the church.
  7. I understand that trust is essential in serving the church and that confidential information must be treated with utmost care and must not be disclosed (with the exception of when disclosure is required by law, abuse notifications, or out of concern for the safety of others). Disclosure is a serious matter and the counsel of a supervisor or church leader should be sought.
  8. As a volunteer, I will embrace the vision, values and mission of Church@TheGabba and will seek to continue to develop my ministry skills in whatever way(s) I can. I also acknowledge that I am a part of a team and will support and encourage others as part of that team.
  9. I understand that when considering whether there is an avenue for my voluntary services, my church may refer to Church@TheGabba and other QB policies, guidelines and position papers.
  10. I will respect the decision of my church as to where I volunteer my services within the church, and whether my services are required, from time to time.
  11. I understand that a team leader will be available to me to discuss my service.

Proposed Volunteer's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_  
 (if under the age of 18, please have the form co-signed by your parent/guardian)

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Endorsement of church leadership for this person to volunteer:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_

**IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS DECLARATION**

Any breach of this Declaration involving a criminal offence may lead to a report being made to the relevant authorities. Any breaches relating to the harm, or risk of harm, of a child or young person will be dealt with under the Church@TheGabba Child Protection Policy – a copy of this policy should be provided to a volunteer who has a direct role with a child or young person. Any other breach will be considered in the light of the best interests of the volunteer and those we serve and may result in the volunteer being stood down either temporarily or otherwise. Volunteer workers need to be open to correction and humble enough to modify behaviours so as to not discredit the gospel.