



Cleveland Baptist Church

**Minutes of Members Meeting**

**Time:** 11:00 AM  
**Date:** Sunday 21 April 2024  
**Place:** Cleveland Baptist Church

<b>Meeting Minutes - 21 April 2024</b>	
<b>Item</b>	<b>Description</b>
1	<p><b>Welcome, attendees and apologies:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. The meeting was opened by Derek Millar</li><li>b. The Chair for the meeting was confirmed - Andrew Pounder</li><li>c. A quorum (20% of members roll) was confirmed for this general meeting.</li><li>d. Attendees register confirmed - 69 members present.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 70 confirmed pre-poll members confirmed.</li></ul></li><li>e. Apologies noted.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 39apologies noted.</li></ul></li></ul>
2	<p><b>Devotion and Prayer - Doug Heinrich</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Doug provided the devotion and opened in prayer.</li></ul>
3	<p><b>Confirmation of Minutes - Derek Millar</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. The minutes from the previous members meeting 20 August 2024 were sent out prior to the meeting.</li><li>b. The chair moved a motion that the minutes be accepted.</li><li>c. The motion was seconded by Hester Pike and Erica Herrick.</li><li>d. The members acknowledged acceptance by a hand vote.</li></ul>
4	<p><b>Second Pastor Update - David Hunt</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. David Hunt provided an update on the ongoing search for a second pastor, both internally and externally.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Elders will continue praying for God to bring someone into this position.</li><li>• The church leadership's expectation is to explore both internal and external candidates.</li><li>• Some interest has been expressed from outside the church, but there is a focus on a "homegrown" approach.</li><li>• Plans to reform a pastor committee are underway.</li><li>• Due to insufficient funds, there is a reliance on faith for provision; suggestions include encouraging increased weekly tithing and exploring facility hire for funeral services on Fridays to support costs.</li></ul></li><li>b. The floor was opened for questions:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reuben inquired whether the primary issue in not yet fulfilling the position is due to finances or suitability. David responded affirmatively to both possibilities. Derek elaborated that the ministries in the church require the support of a second pastor, as the church's numbers are growing, and ministries need effective leadership for optimal functioning.</li></ul></li></ul>
5	<p><b>Financial Update - Annette Bunker</b></p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Annette presented an update on the current budget up to February 2024. The presentation is attached.</li> <li>b. Annette expressed gratitude to God and all members for faithfully contributing to their tithes and supporting the church.</li> <li>c. Members are encouraged to keep praying for financial needs and to maintain their support.</li> <li>d. Income has increased, but it is projected to be below the budget.</li> <li>e. Most ministries are only meeting their expenses.</li> <li>f. Members are urged to email any questions to <a href="mailto:accounts@clevelandbaptist.com.au">accounts@clevelandbaptist.com.au</a>.</li> </ul>
6	<p><b>Other Updates / Encouragements - David Hunt</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Thank you to Cameron Clark for his dedicated service as the ChildSafe coordinator for the past 10 years.</li> <li>b. Members were informed that the Surge ministry has concluded and will be revisited in connection with the youth ministry. Acknowledgments were given to Nathan Jones, Cameron Clark, and their team for their efforts in leading this ministry.</li> <li>c. Announcement regarding Bob Neich. David announced that Bob has been living in a situation which doesn't align with biblical principles. Two elders met with Bob in December 2023 but the situation was not resolved and Bob's living situation continues. The members were informed that Bob has been asked not to fellowship at CBC while this situation is in place, and were asked to pray for Bob.</li> <li>d. The floor was opened for questions, but none were raised.</li> </ul>
7	<p><b>Close in Prayer - John Bunker</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The meeting was closed in prayer by John Bunker.</li> </ul>
8	<p><b>Meeting Closed - John Bunker</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Meeting closed at 11:41am</li> </ul>