

Proposed Amendment to Calvary Temple Winnipeg Inc. Constitution and By-Laws

This document outlines two proposed amendments to the Constitution of Calvary Temple, to be voted upon at the upcoming members' meeting for April 28, 2025. This notice is provided in accordance with the organization's bylaws, requiring a minimum two-week notification period prior to voting.

Date: April 28, 2025

Proposed by: Calvary Temple Board

First Proposed Amendment: ARTICLE IV TENETS OF FAITH

Be it resolved that Article IV be amended by:

- Removing current wording: (in italics below)
- Adding new wording:
 - “We believe most assuredly that the Holy Scriptures are God’s final revelation and constitute our all-sufficient rule for faith and practice. This local church, by virtue of its affiliation with the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, shall accept the current version of the Statement of Essential Truths and Positions and Practices, as approved by the General Conference of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.*
 - *See Appendix A: Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada Statement of Essential Truths and Positions and Practices.
- Adding an appendix A to the constitution

Current wording to be removed:

We believe in:

- A. *The verbal inspiration and Absolute Authority of the Old and New Testaments (2 Timothy 3:16, 2 Peter 1:21).*
- B. *The only living and true God eternally existing in Three Persons - The Father, The Son and the Holy Spirit.*
- C. *The Literal Creation of Man by God; his Fall and Depravity through sin as recorded in Genesis.*
- D. *The Deity, the Virgin Birth and true Humanity of Jesus Christ.*
- E. *The Substitutionary Blood Atonement of our Lord Jesus Christ once made for the sin of all men.*

- F. *The literal Resurrection of our Lord's Crucified Body from among the dead.*
- G. *The Bible conditions of Salvation - Repentance toward God and Faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.*
- H. *The necessity of the New Birth for every man. Men are justified by Faith only and declared righteous, without works, on the grounds of Christ's Finished Work.*
- I. *The true Church is an organization composed of justified believers and not merely an organization.*
- J. *The Ordinances of Baptism and the Lord's Supper.*
- K. *Divine Healing and Health for our physical bodies.*
- L. *The Infilling of the Holy Spirit as an essential equipment for service.*
- M. *Sanctification provided in Romans 6:6 and 11 to be appropriated by Faith, thus producing practical holiness and a life of prayer and victory.*
- N. *The Pre-Millennial Coming of the Lord and the Resurrection of the saints, followed by the Millennial Reign of Christ over the earth.*
- O. *Eternal happiness for the saved and eternal punishment for the unsaved.*

Rationale for the amendment to Article IV

Aligning our constitution to specifically reference the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada Statement of Essential Truths and Positions and Practices:

- Provides a comprehensive statement of faith including ongoing review that is rooted in thoughtful deliberation and is overseen by the shared expertise of the wider Pentecostal theological community.
- reinforces our dedication to upholding the PAOC statement of faith as it guides our mission, vision & values and our practices.
- provides support and protection as it has become increasingly important to clearly outline beliefs and practices in response to ongoing societal changes.
- strengthens our ability to navigate evolving times while upholding the beliefs and values of our church and national denomination.

Voting Details

The vote will take place on April 28, 2025 during the Annual General Meeting at Calvary Temple. All eligible members are encouraged to attend and participate in this important decision.

Second Proposed Amendment to the Calvary Temple Constitution and Bylaws

Date: April 28, 2025

Proposed by: Calvary Temple Board

Second Proposed Amendment:

BY-LAW I MEMBERSHIP. SECTION 5 TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Be it resolved that BY-LAW 1 MEMBERSHIP SECTION 5 TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP be amended to add a clause C: Membership Compliance.

The proposed new clause C Membership Compliance will read:

An annual review of the membership roster will be conducted to ensure alignment with the membership criteria outlined in Article V, Section 1 and Section 2. Members no longer fulfilling the membership requirements will be notified. Responses that are received will be reviewed for a final determination of compliance by the Membership Committee. If the member does not respond within 60 days, it will be deemed as voluntary withdrawal from membership. Members will be notified of the final determination.

Rationale for the Amendment to By-Law I Membership Section 5

Adding Clause C Membership compliance will:

- provide necessary wording in the constitution to address the church's responsibility to keep clear and accurate membership records as a non-profit organization responsible to the laws of Canada and to the constitution of Calvary Temple.
- ensure that members are active in the life of the church and align in belief and practice to our constitution and tenets of faith.
- maintain up-to-date records enabling timely and effective communication with members regarding updates, decisions and participation in church business.

For these reasons, a clause on membership compliance and record keeping is fundamental to the responsible management and long-term success of Calvary Temple.

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