



The Vine Church

Application for Voting Membership of the Church Congregation

Voting Membership is open to all believers who affirm their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour and Lord, desiring to live in obedience to biblical principles and the direction of the Holy Spirit, and who wish to identify in community with our specific purposes as a local family of God and attend The Vine as their committed place of worship and service while in Hong Kong.

I (Print Full Name) _____, wish to become a member of The Vine Church and declare that I am prepared to commit to the Principles and Rules for The Congregation, the Church Vision and Mission statement and to be involved in the life of the Church. I understand that my membership may cease as declared in clause 9 of the Rules for the Congregation, on my continuous absence from the Church services for a period of six months or more, or on my leaving Hong Kong to live overseas, but may be taken up again on my return after a period of two months attendance.

(Signature)

(Date)

PLUS/Ministry leader's name (Print name)

(Date)

PLUS/Ministry leader's Signature

Contact details:

E-mail: _____

Telephone: _____

If you are not in a PLUS group or a ministry, please make an appointment with one of the Senior Pastors.

Please return this form to the Vine Office. Thank you.

Voting Membership

We hope that whenever you are involved in 'church' whether on Sunday, in PLUS, or serving, you feel that you are part of 'The Family of God' and have a sense of belonging to The Vine. But there is a deeper more formal step in which you can express your commitment to the church – becoming a Voting Member.

The Vine has a formal membership which forms the spiritual and legal congregation of the church, committed to sensing and hearing God's voice for the church together with the leadership. It is empowered under the church constitution to vote on important issues affecting the direction and leadership of the church.

But being a Voting Member of the church is not just about voting, it is an important step of commitment to the Vision and leadership of the church and implies an involvement with and responsibility towards this particular body of the believers in Hong Kong.

So we would normally expect a Voting Member to

- have attended the church for at least 3 months
- decided that The Vine is going to be their 'home' church
- be committed to attend and tithe regularly
- be committed to a PLUS group or other small group activity
- be serving the church in some capacity

Voting Membership of The Vine is open to all those who are born-again, baptized believers who are over the age of 18 and expect to be in Hong Kong for at least one year. If you are from another country and in Hong Kong for a fixed short period of time, we do not require you to terminate your membership with another church at 'home'.

You can obtain a copy of The Vine Constitution (containing our Statement of Faith) from the church office.