# MERCY OF GOD

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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Mercy of God Christian Church in Zion | Form MOG 01 | October 2026
Complete one form per person. Submit privately to the branch secretary. Membership is confirmed after the church's review. Read the privacy notice on page 2 before signing.

### 1 Applicant details

Full names and surname _____

Preferred name (optional) _____

Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY) _____

Home address and postal code _____

Mobile number or alternative contact _____

Email address (optional) _____

Preferred language _____

Branch: ☐ Ekulindeni (Head Office) ☐ Phumula ☐ Klerksdorp
☐ Kriel ☐ Kinross

Application: ☐ New member ☐ Transfer ☐ Returning member
Former congregation (transfer only, optional): _____

Ministry interests (optional): ☐ Choir ☐ Youth ☐ Outreach
☐ Other: _____ ☐ Prefer to discuss privately

### 2 Parent or legal guardian for applicants under 18

Guardian's full name and relationship _____

Guardian's contact number _____

Do not attach an ID copy, financial records or medical information. Any necessary verification must be handled privately and proportionately.

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## PRIVACY NOTICE

Responsible party: Mercy of God Christian Church in Zion, 1291 Ekulindeni Township, Ekulindeni, 1301; P.O. Box 74, Ekulindeni, 1301. Privacy enquiries: Evangelist VN Zulu, +27 79 590 2424. This is an enquiry contact; formal Information Officer designation and registration must be recorded by church leadership.

### Purpose and information collected

We collect the details on this form to consider membership, maintain the membership register, allocate a branch, communicate about church activities and organise agreed ministry participation. Membership reveals religious affiliation and is special personal information. Processing must satisfy POPIA's general conditions and an applicable special-information authorisation, including section 28 where its requirements are met. Child records require an applicable section 35 authorisation and, ordinarily, prior consent from a parent or legal guardian.

### Choices and consequences

Name, branch and a practical contact method are needed to process an application. Date of birth helps distinguish members and identify child safeguards. Ask for an alternative verification method if needed. Optional details and permissions may be declined without prejudicing membership. Withdrawal of optional consent affects future use and does not invalidate prior lawful processing.

### Access sharing and security

Only authorised church personnel may access records for their duties. Records are not published, sold or supplied to unrelated churches. Service providers may handle records only under written confidentiality and security arrangements. Required legal disclosures remain possible. International transfers require a lawful POPIA section 72 basis. Public WhatsApp groups reveal phone numbers; joining requires the separate choice on page 3.

### Retention and your rights

Keep records only for a justified purpose and review their need annually. Delete or de-identify them when no longer lawfully required, subject to legal preservation duties. You may request access or correction, raise an objection where applicable, request deletion of records no longer lawfully held, or withdraw optional consent through the contact above. Identity will be verified proportionately. Complaints may be lodged with the Information Regulator: https://inforegulator.org.za/.

Legal references: Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013 (POPIA), especially sections 9–25, 26–28, 34–35, 55, 69 and 72; Promotion of Access to Information Act 2 of 2000 (PAIA), where applicable. Receipt of a notice is not a waiver of your rights.

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## DECLARATIONS AND PERMISSIONS

I apply to join the church and confirm that my details are accurate to the best of my knowledge. I have read the privacy notice or had it explained to me. I will receive the church rules adopted at the time of admission. I understand that the draft bylaws require adoption before they become church rules.

☐ I consent to the necessary processing of my membership information, including religious affiliation, for the purposes stated in the notice. The church must still establish and document the applicable lawful grounds. Optional uses below are separate.

### Optional permissions select Yes or No for each

Church WhatsApp group (my number is visible to other members):
☐ Yes ☐ No
Recognisable photographs/videos on church website or social media:
☐ Yes ☐ No
Electronic fundraising or promotional messages:
☐ Yes ☐ No
An unticked choice means no permission. Ordinary membership administration is separate from promotional messages. Photo permission does not authorise sharing sensitive details or a child's address. Withdraw any optional permission through the privacy contact.

Applicant signature _____

Date _____

### Guardian declaration for an applicant under 18

I confirm that I am the parent or legal guardian authorised to act for this child. I consent to the necessary processing described above and have selected any optional permissions on the child's behalf. The child's views should be considered appropriately for their age.

Guardian signature and date _____

### Office use confidential

Received by and date _____

Membership number and branch _____

Decision: ☐ Accepted ☐ Pending discussion ☐ Not accepted
Decision date: _____ Authorised officer: _____
Reason or follow-up (no unnecessary sensitive details): _____
Privacy notice supplied: ☐ Yes Guardian authority checked: ☐ Yes ☐ N/A