



Baptists,
Gathering
in Wholeness and Integrity
following the example
of Jesus.

As a community of Christians,
we endorse and uphold
historic Baptist freedoms:

- Bible Freedom****
- Soul Freedom****
- Church Freedom****
- Religious Freedom****

* The “four fragile freedoms”
identified by Walter B. Shurden,
“The Baptist Identity”
(Smyth & Helwys, 1993, 2017)

Membership

If you share our values and sense of purpose, you too may wish to be part of this *Gathering* of God’s people! Consider becoming a member. Membership fees help pay for printings and the occasional mailing, as well as expenses associated with our 2 annual events. Fill out the Form below and send to our Treasurer, along with a cheque for **\$20** (per household per year).

NAME: _____

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Make cheque payable to:

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Gatherings

We gather at least twice each year – on the last Saturday in April, and the last Saturday in October to pursue a proposed topic or issue. Gatherings typically take place in Baptist churches, but locations vary each time – from Ottawa to Aylmer, Ontario, and many locales in between.

For information about our next Gathering, please consult our website:

www.gatheringbaptists.ca

We are led by a Steering Committee, chaired by our Moderator. For further information, to provide feedback, or to offer your volunteer support, please contact the Moderator. Thank you.

Blake Eady,
Moderator

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We Value

The *Good News*,
as proclaimed by Jesus.

Servant Leadership,
as modelled by Jesus.

Theological Education,
which respects biblical authority,
open inquiry, and responsible
academic scholarship.

The *Freedom* of individuals to
interpret Biblical texts themselves,
guided by the **Spirit**.

A *spirit of Co-operation*.

The *Autonomy* of the local church.

Separation of
Church and State

Diversity, Inclusivity, and the
Democratic Process.

We Promote

Justice for All, as the foundation
for peace in our lives,
families, communities,
and in the wider world.

Open discussion of doctrinal and
theological questions,
ethical concerns and
social issues.

Equality for All, regardless of age,
mental and physical health and
ability, religious background,
marital status, family structure,
sexual orientation, gender and
its expression, racial and
cultural identity, educational
and social status, and more...

Inter-Faith Cooperation.

The embracing of our **Values**
within the Life & Ministry
of the *Canadian Baptists*
of Ontario & Quebec and
Canadian Baptist Ministries.

We Gather

To **Support One Another**
in fellowship and prayer.

To **Educate** ourselves and
Grow in understanding.

To **Worship God**.

We Associate

with the *Canadian Association*
for *Baptist Freedoms*,
www.c-abf.ca



the *Baptist Peace Fellowship*
of *North America*,
www.bpfna.org



and the
Alliance of Baptists
www.allianceofbaptists.org

