Immersed Network (Evangelical Baptists of Great Britain)

Church Application Form

Thank you for your interest in joining the Immersed Network. Membership is intended for churches that share our vision, values and theological convictions and are willing not only to receive from the Network but also to contribute to its shared life and mission.

Please complete the following eight questions. Your answers should be discussed and agreed by the appropriate church leadership before submitting online through the website.

1. Prayer, Calling and Readiness

Having prayed and sought the Lord's guidance, how do you believe the purpose and vision of Immersed Network serves your church's calling at this time?

Please also describe how your church believes it can **contribute to the life, mission and relationships of the Network**, as well as receive from it.

Response:

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2. Reading and Considering the Key Documents

Have your trustees, elders, deacons or appropriate church leadership team read and considered the Immersed Network's key documents, including the Statement of Faith, Values, Membership Covenant, Rules and Handbook, and relevant sections of the Constitution?

☐ Yes — the documents have been read and discussed by the appropriate leadership.

☐ No — we have not yet completed this.

Please identify any questions or areas requiring clarification:

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3. Alignment with Immersed Network

Having considered the Network's doctrine, Biblical sexual ethics, Baptist convictions, mission, expectations of participation, accountability and annual financial contribution, does your church believe that it is substantially aligned with the requirements for membership?

☐ Yes

☐ Yes, subject to the matters identified below

☐ We require further clarification before proceeding

Please outline any questions, concerns or areas where you would like clarification:

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4. Conversation with an Immersed Network Leader

Who from your church has spoken with an Immersed Network leader as part of the exploratory conversation, and what were the main matters discussed?

Name(s): _____

Date of conversation: _____

Brief summary:

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5. Authorised Church Decision

Has your church formally considered and approved an application to join Immersed Network in accordance with the approval process required by your church's governing documents?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Please state:

- The body/people who approved the application:

- Date of approval:

- Resolution or decision made:

Please attach a copy of the relevant resolution or formal record of the decision, where appropriate.

6. Formal Church Endorsement and Information

Please provide the following details and confirm that the information supplied is accurate and that the church leadership endorses this application.

Church name: _____

Church address: _____

Website: _____

Lead pastor/minister: _____

Primary church contact for Immersed Network: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

Authorised representative submitting this application:
Name: _____

Position/role: _____

Please confirm:

☐ I confirm that I am authorised by the church to submit this application on its behalf.

☐ I confirm that the information provided in this application is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

7. Trustee Review and Membership

Does your church understand and accept that membership of Immersed Network is subject to review and approval by the Immersed Network Trustees, in accordance with the Network's Rules and Constitution?

☐ Yes, we understand and accept this process.

☐ We have questions about this process.

If you have any questions, please provide details:

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8. Commitment to Participate and Contribute

If accepted as a member of Immersed Network, how does your church intend to participate in the life of the Network and contribute to its shared mission?

Please consider areas such as **prayer, gatherings, training, relationships with other churches, shared mission, serving and the appointment of an appropriate church contact or delegate.**

Please also confirm that your church understands and accepts the agreed **annual financial contribution arrangement**.

☐ We confirm our willingness to participate in the life and mission of Immersed Network.

☐ We confirm our willingness to fulfil the agreed financial contribution.

☐ We will appoint an appropriate church contact/delegate.

Please describe any particular ways your church hopes to participate or contribute:

Declaration

We confirm that this application has been considered by the appropriate leadership of our church and, where required, formally approved in accordance with our governing documents.

We believe that our church is aligned with the vision, values, beliefs and covenant of Immersed Network, and we understand that membership is subject to review and approval by the Immersed Network Trustees.

Church: _____

Name of authorised representative: _____

Position: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____