

Awana Clubs International

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Awana® Australia **Ministry Agreement**

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The individual signing this agreement on behalf of the Church certifies that he/she is authorised to sign, and that the governing body of the Church has approved this agreement.

Signed	(Church	pastor)

Who we are

Awana Clubs International Trust is a non-denominational organization. The Awana program and materials are available to all Bible believing churches, who in understanding of our doctrinal basis (see Awana Doctrinal Statement on page four) will in good faith teach the doctrines of the program materials in their entirety.

Our Hope: That all children and youth throughout the world will come to know, love and serve the Lord Jesus Christ. **Our Vision:** To be a strategic partner with churches and ministries in a global effort to ensure the opportunity for all children and youth to be evangelized and discipled in Christ. **Our Mission:** To work with our ministry partners in creating and disseminating integrated programs, tools and training that equip leaders to evangelize and disciple children and youth for Christ. **Our Values:** We will glorify God and serve the body of Christ by committing ourselves to these values: We proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ with clarity and urgency. We commit to God's Word as our guide and standard. We treat all people as created and loved by God. We maintain a servant heart in all we do. We manage God's resources with faithfulness and integrity. We pursue excellence as unto the Lord.

We offer our support for local church Awana clubs through accessible training, regional Missionaries and Biblically accurate, doctrinally sound materials.

Awana Ministry Agreement

- 1. By accepting this agreement, the Church identified on page one expresses its desire to provide an Awana ministry to young people consistent with the principles expressed in this agreement.
- 2. The initial term of this agreement is one year after completing the church registration, ministry agreement and paying the registration fee. The church may continue its Awana ministry beyond the initial term by renewing the church registration and paying the registration fee annually, subject to approval by Awana Clubs International Trust.
- 3. The Church's Awana program exists as a ministry of the Church. The Church shall be solely responsible for all aspects of the Church's local Awana program including but not limited to operating the program, the safety of participants under relevant law, and screening, hiring, training, supervising and other personal matters concerning any volunteer or employed leaders and staff, involved in the Church's Awana program. The Church and Awana Clubs International Trust acknowledge and agree that:
 - a. their respective status is that of an independent purchaser and licensee (Church) and a provider and licensor of materials, programs and services (Awana Clubs International Trust).
 - b. the Church's local Awana program is not a division, section or department of Awana Clubs International Trust, and
 - c. personnel involved in the Church's Awana program are not volunteers, employees, or staff of Awana Clubs International Trust. The Church understands that the leadership training available through Awana Clubs International Trust is not exhaustive and does not include training in hiring or other personnel practices and procedures.
- 4. The Church shall indemnify and hold Awana Clubs International Trust harmless from and against any and all claims, damages and liability arising out of the Church's Awana program including claims by or against the Church, its members, officers and leaders, and any of the participants, employees, and volunteers of the local Awana program, whether or not members of the Church.
- 5. Either party may terminate this agreement at its sole discretion without cause by giving written notice to the other party of such termination.

- 6. Upon acceptance of Awana Clubs International Trust of this agreement, Awana Clubs International Trust agrees to provide the Church with Awana program materials and relevant training, and to license the Church to use Awana program materials, the Awana ministry approach, and the Awana Property (as defined below), during the term of the agreement. Acceptance of this agreement by Awana Clubs International Trust shall be indicated by its issuance of a certificate to the Church.
- 7. Awana Clubs International Trust may charge for its materials and training, and for participation by the Church's Awana group in Awana Clubs International Trust events and activities. Payment for all goods and services will follow normal terms as stated on the invoice. The Church agrees it shall be fully responsible for all GST. Awana Clubs International Trust shall charge the Church any applicable GST.
- 8. Awana Clubs International Trust desires that all Churches providing an Awana ministry employ a consistent approach and practice. Accordingly, by accepting this agreement, the Church agrees to conduct its Awana ministry in accordance with Awana program standards and policies, using Awana program materials, including the official uniforms and awards. The Church agrees that it will not modify the Awana program materials or omit any aspect of the Awana program.
- 9. It is agreed that all copyrights, trademarks, trade names, service marks and similar proprietary rights in and to the Awana program and any and all materials and methods provided by Awana Clubs International under this agreement, including without limitation the term "Awana" (together referred to as the "Awana Property") are owned solely and exclusively by Awana Clubs International and that the Church may use the Awana Property only while this agreement is in effect. Such use shall be confined solely to the publicity for, identification of, and conduct of activities sponsored by the Church's Awana program. It is expected that advertising shall be confined to radio announcements and bulletins in church papers, local newspapers, web sites and telephone directories. The Church shall not use the Awana Property in the production or sale of proprietary materials such as clothing, porcelain, or ceramic ware, jewelry, or other tangible personal property. The Church agrees not to use the Awana Property in the publication of stories, articles, or other materials for any purpose other than the promotion of the Church's Awana program. The church agrees not to use any of the Awana Property following termination of this agreement or upon failure to renew this agreement.
- 10. This agreement shall be governed by the laws of Australia. The parties agree that, if they are unable to resolve a dispute or claim between themselves with respect to this agreement, the dispute or claim shall be submitted to biblically-based mediation and, if necessary, legally binding arbitration under a Christian mediation or conciliation.
- 11. The individual signing this agreement on behalf of the Church certifies that they are authorized to sign this agreement and that the governing body of the Church has approved this agreement.

12. Awana Clubs International Trust reserves the right to review and decline acceptance of this registration.

Date	Ву	board chairman, in their absence the duly authorized agent of	the church)
	Date	Return this form to:	

Awana Clubs International Trust - Australia National Office 992 Old Windsor Road Glenwood NSW 2768

Retain a copy for your records.

Awana Doctrinal Statement

THE BIBLE

We believe that the Bible, both Old and New Testaments, is super-naturally inspired, so that it is inerrant in the original manuscripts and preserved by God in its verbal and plenary inspiration, so that it is a divinely authoritative standard for every age and every life.

(Matt. 5:18; I Cor. 2:13; 2 Tim. 3:16-17; 2 Peter 1:21)

GOD

We believe in one God that eternally exists and reveals Himself in three persons – Father, Son , Holy Spirit – having each the same nature, attributes, and perfections, worthy of the same worship and confidence. (Matt. 3:16-17, 28:19, John 1:1,2,14,10:30,14:15-17; 1 Corinthians 8:6; 2 Corinthians 13:14)

We believe in God as absolute and sole creator and sustainer of the universe, and the creation was by divine command, from nothing and not through an evolutionary process. (John 1:3,10, Act 17:24-25; Gen. 1:1)

We believe that God, by His sovereign choice and out of love for men, sent Christ into the world to save sinners. (John 3:16; 1 Tim. 1:15; 1 John 4:14)

GOD THE SON

We believe that Jesus Christ was fully God in the flesh and fully man, that He was born of a virgin and that He lived a sinless life, in which, He taught and performed mighty works and wonders and signs exactly as revealed in the four gospels. We believe that He was crucified, shed his blood, and died to pay the penalty for our sins and was raised bodily from the dead on the third day. Forty days later He ascended to the Father's right hand where He is head of the church and intercedes for believers. From there He is coming again personally, bodily, and visibly to this earth to set up His millennial Kingdom. (Isaiah 7:14, 9:6; Heb. 1:1-2, 7:25; Luke 1:30-35; Eph 4:8; John 1:1-5, 10-14, 14:3; Col. 2:9; 1 Cor. 15:3-4; Acts 1:3.11: Rev. 20:4)

GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT

We believe that the Holy Spirit is a person and is God, possessing all the divine attributes. He convicts of sin, regenerates, indwells, baptizes, and seals all believers at the moment of their salvation, filling them in response to yieldedness with the goal of conforming them to the image of Christ. (John 3:5, 16:7-11; Acts 5:3-4; Eph. 1:13, 4:30, 5:18; 1 Cor 6:19, 12:13

MAN

We believe that man was created in the image and likeness of God, but that in Adam's sin the race fell, inherited a sinful nature, and became alienated from God. We believe that all men are morally corrupt, and of themselves utterly unable to remedy their lost condition. (Gen. 1:26-27; Rom. 1:18, 3:23, 5:12; Eph. 2:1-3, 12)

SALVATION

We believe that salvation is a gift of God and is received by man through personal faith in Jesus Christ and His sacrifice for sin. We believe that man is justified by grace through faith apart from works and that all true believers, once saved, are kept secure in Christ forever. (Acts 13:38-39; Rom. 4:5, 6:23; 8:1,38-39; John 10:27-29; Eph. 2:8-9)

THE CHURCH

We believe that the true church is composed of all persons who are regenerated by the Holy Spirit through saving faith in Jesus Christ, and that they are united together in the body of Christ of which He is Lord and Head, and are commissioned for the Godgiven tasks of worshiping, fellowshipping, teaching, evangelizing, and exercising the spiritual gifts. (Acts 2:42,47; Rom. 12:5; Eph. 1:22-23, 5:23-24; 1 Cor. 12:12-14; 2 Cor. 11:2)

We believe that the establishment and continuance of the local church is clearly taught in the New Testament Scriptures. (Acts 14:27, 20:17, 28-32; 1 Tim. 3:1-13; Titus 1:5-11)

We believe that the local church is autonomous and free of any external authority or control. (Acts 13:1-4, 20:28; Rom. 16:1,4; 1 Cor. 3:9,16, 5:4-7,13; 1 Peter 5:1-4)

THE ORDINANCES

We believe the ordinances for the believer are Water Baptism by immersion and the Lord's Supper as a memorial. They are, however, not to be regarded as a means of salvation. But both of which are an evidence of obedience and fellowship with the Lord. (Matt. 28:19-20; Acts 2:38, 41, 8:12,35-38; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Cor. 11:23-29)

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

We believe that a Christian should walk in holiness and not after the flesh, with the goal of being conformed to the image of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. As a new creation, walking in the Spirit, the Christian learns to grow in faith, in obedience to Scripture, in prayer, in fellowship with the Saints, and in a life of service. We believe that the Christian will stand before the judgment seat of Christ to have his life evaluated according to his deeds. (Gal. 5:16-26; Heb. 10:25; Eph. 4:20-24: Hebrews 11:6, 12:1-2; John 17:17; Eph 6:18; Rom. 8:29:

2 Cor. 5:10; 1 Cor. 3:10-15)

THE SECOND COMING

We believe in the personal, premillennial, and imminent coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. We believe in the bodily resurrection of the dead, of the believer to everlasting glory and the unbeliever to judgment and everlasting conscious punishment. (1 Thes. 4:13-18: 1 Cor. 15:51-52; Titus 2:11-13; John 14:1-6; Matt. 25:46; Rev. 20:11-15; 2 Peter 3:10)