

Official Bylaws of Gateway Church¹

Article 1 - Name

The name of this church shall be Gateway Church of The Christian and Missionary Alliance in Canada. Approved April 27th, 2025.

Article 2 - Membership

Membership Renewal: Membership at Gateway will be renewed every year through a simple online application by the end of January. Approved September 22nd, 2019.

Withdrawal of Membership: Members wishing to resign should indicate their intentions in writing to the Secretary of the Board of Elders. Approved March 3rd, 2002.

Termination of Membership: Membership may be terminated by the Board of Elders if a member has not attended the church for at least one year. Prior to such action being taken, a member of the Board, or their designate, will attempt to communicate with the individual concerned, following which they will bring a recommendation to the Board of Elders. Revised April 27th, 2025.

Governance: The Annual Meeting shall be held in two parts: the first part (the "Semi-annual Meeting") in the spring to receive financial reports and elect members to the Nominating Committee and the second part (the "Annual Meeting") in the fall to elect the elders. Approved, April 27th, 2025.

Due Notice for Membership Meetings: Due notice for a meeting of the membership will be published in advance by no less than two Sundays." Approved March 30th, 2008.

Article 3 - Board of Elders

Composition of the Board of Elders: Any member of Gateway Church in good standing may be nominated to the Board of Elders. Approved by a 2/3rds majority, November 25th, 2011.

Total Members of the Board of Elders: The Board of Elders of Gateway Church shall have a maximum of seven members: Revised April 27th, 2025.

¹ All April 27th, 2025 amendments were approved by DEXCOM of the Central District of the Alliance Canada on May 23rd, 2025

Tenure of the Members of the Board of Elders: The Board of Elders, with the exception of the senior pastor, shall be elected for a two-year term with one half of the Board elected annually. A board member may not serve for at least one year after two consecutive two-year terms. Approved, November 25th, 2001.

Article 4 - Property and Records

Financial Review: At least once a year the Board of Elders will ensure that there is a third party review of the Church's financial statements for the previous year. Approved, March 28th, 2004.

Article 5 - Nominating Committee

Number of Members: The nominating committee shall be comprised of the senior pastor and two members each from the membership and the Board of Elders. Revised April 2025.

Number of Positions for Election: The nominating committee will determine the number of positions that will be elected to the Elder's Board at every annual membership meeting to a maximum of seven. Revised April 27th, 2025.

Article 6 - Elections

Nominations from the Membership: The nominating committee shall present and post, at least four Sundays prior to the annual meeting, one name for each office to be filled. Other nominations, if any, shall be made in writing, signed by two members in good standing and filed with the chairperson of the nominating committee for posting before the public services on the Sunday two weeks prior to the annual meeting. Approved October 24th, 2010.