



## **Marriage (Recognised Denominations) Proclamation 2018**

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I, General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Ret'd), Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, make the following Proclamation.

Signed and Sealed with the  
Great Seal of Australia on

21 November 2018

Peter Cosgrove  
Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command

Christian Porter  
Attorney-General

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**1 Name**

This instrument is the *Marriage (Recognised Denominations) Proclamation 2018*.

**2 Commencement**

- (1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

<b>Commencement information</b>		
<b>Column 1</b>	<b>Column 2</b>	<b>Column 3</b>
<b>Provisions</b>	<b>Commencement</b>	<b>Date/Details</b>
1. The whole of this instrument	The day after this instrument is registered.	27 November 2018

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

- (2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

**3 Authority**

This instrument is made under the *Marriage Act 1961*.

**4 Schedule 1**

Each religious body and religious organisation that is specified in Schedule 1 to this instrument is declared to be a recognised denomination for the purposes of section 26 of the *Marriage Act 1961*.

**5 Schedule 2**

Each instrument that is specified in Schedule 2 to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in that Schedule, and any other item in that Schedule has effect according to its terms.

## Schedule 1—Recognised denominations

Note: See section 4.

A2A Ltd.

Aboriginal Evangelical Fellowship of Australia

Ananda Marga

Anglican Catholic Church in Australia, The

Anglican Church of Australia, The

Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese Church of Australia and New Zealand

Apostolic Church Australia Limited

Apostolic Church of Queensland, The

Armenian Apostolic Church in Australia, The

Assembly of God Church of Samoa in Australia Inc

Associated Christian Ministries

Associated Christian Spiritual Churches of Australia

Australian Christadelphian Ecclesia

Australian Christian Churches

Australian Church of Antioch, The

Australian Fellowship of Bible-believing Churches

Australian Fellowship of Mission Centres (Youth with a Mission)

Australian Indigenous Ministries

Australian Unitarian Druze

Australian Zoroastrian Association of NSW Incorporated

Autocephalic Greek Orthodox Church of America and Australia

Baha'i Faith

Baptist Union of Australia, The

Bethesda Ministries International Incorporated

Brethren

C3 Church Global

Caodai Overseas Missionary (Australia) Incorporated

Chinese Methodist Church in Australia  
Christian and Missionary Alliance of Australia, The  
Christian Church in Australia Incorporated  
Christian Church, The  
Christian Community Churches of Australia  
Christian Israelite Church  
Christian Outreach Centre  
Christian Reformed Churches of Australia  
Churches of Christ in Australia  
Church of God (Australia) Limited  
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (Australia), The  
Church of Pentecost Australia, The  
Church of Scientology Incorporated, The  
Church of the Foursquare Gospel (Australia) Limited  
Church of the Foursquare Gospel in Australia  
Church of the Nazarene  
Church of Tonga in Australia, The  
Church of Torres Strait  
Community of Christ  
Congregational Christian Church in Samoa, The  
Congregational Federation of Australia and New Zealand  
Connexions Ltd  
Cook Islands Christian Church  
Coptic Orthodox Church of Australia  
CRC Churches International  
Crosslink Christian Network  
Dream Centre Christian Church Limited  
ECKANKAR Australia  
Edge Church International Ltd  
Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Debre Amin Abune Teklehaimanot Church Incorporated

**Schedule 1** Recognised denominations

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Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Australia, The  
Federation of Australian Buddhist Councils Incorporated  
Fellowship of Congregational Churches  
Fellowship of Evangelical Churches of Australia  
Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches  
Free Church of Tonga, The  
Free Reformed Churches of Australia  
Free Serbian Orthodox Church, Diocese for Australia and New Zealand  
Full Gospel Churches of Australia  
Goshen Ministry International Outreach  
Grace Communion International Ltd  
Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of Australia  
Hillsong Church Australia  
Hindu Council of Australia, The  
Holy Apostolic Catholic Assyrian Church of the East  
Hope Ministries Australia  
Hungarian Reformed Church of Australia, The  
Iglesia ni Cristo  
Independent Baptist Fellowship  
Independent Baptists of Australia  
Indian Orthodox Church Incorporated  
International Buddhist Association of Australia Co-operative Limited  
International Council of Spiritualists  
International Society for Krishna Consciousness  
Islam  
Jehovah's Witnesses  
Jewry  
Korean Presbyterian Reformed Church Incorporated  
Latvian Evangelical Lutheran Church in Victoria, The  
Liberal Catholic Church, The



Life Church International Limited  
Lutheran Church of Australia Incorporated, The  
Macedonian-Bulgarian Eastern Orthodox Church  
Macedonian Orthodox Church  
Malankara Jacobite Syrian Orthodox Church  
Mar Thoma Syrian Church of Malabar  
Methodist Church of Samoa in Australia  
Metropolitanate of Australia and New Zealand of the Serbian Orthodox Church  
Ministers Fellowship International  
National Sikh Council of Australia Inc  
New Apostolic Church in Australia, The  
New Church in Australia, The  
Old Apostolic Church (Australia), The  
One Light Federation  
Pacific LMS Church Australasia Inc.  
Peace Christian Ministries Limited  
Pioneer Network Australia Incorporated  
Potters House Christian Fellowship of Australia, The  
Power of the Spirit Ltd  
Presbyterian Church of Australia, The  
Presbyterian Church of Eastern Australia  
Presbyterian Reformed Church  
Reach Out International Limited  
Reformed Presbyterian Church of Australia, The  
Religious Society of Friends, The  
Restoration Fellowships International  
Revival Centres International  
Revival Fellowship, The  
Rhema Family Churches Australia  
Riverview Church Incorporated

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Roman Catholic Church  
Romanian Orthodox Church  
Rosa Veritas Incorporated  
Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia  
Sabian Mandaean Religious Community  
Salvation Army, The  
Seventh-day Adventist Church  
Shia Islamic Assembly  
Shree Sanatan Dharm Pratinidhi Sabha of Australia Inc  
Siasi Uesiliana Tau'atina'o Tonga i Aositelelia Limited  
Society of Saint Pius X Limited  
Southern Cross Association of Churches, The  
Spirit of the Earth Medicine Society  
Strict and Particular Baptist Churches of Australia, The  
Syrian Orthodox Archdiocese of Australia and New Zealand (Patriarchal Vicarate) Limited  
Ukrainian Autocephalic Orthodox Church in Diaspora,  
Diocese of Australia and New Zealand  
Ukrainian Catholic Church in Australia  
Unitarians  
United Aborigines Mission  
United Church of God—Australia  
United Pentecostal Church of Australia  
United Spiritualism of Australia  
Uniting Church in Australia, The  
Victorian Spiritualists' Union  
Victory Life Centre Incorporated  
Vineyard Churches Australia  
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist Connexion in Victoria, The  
Wesleyan Methodist Church, The  
Westminster Presbyterian Church, The  
Worship Centre Christian Churches Worldwide (Australia) Ltd

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## **Schedule 2—Repeals**

### ***Marriage (Recognised Denominations) Proclamation 2007***

#### **1 The whole of the instrument**

Repeal the instrument.