

# ADHERENTS

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## Adherent Declaration

An Adherent Member of The Salvation Army declares that they:

- Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and seek to follow and be like Him;
- Participate in the worship, fellowship, service and support of a local Salvation Army congregation; and
- Identify with the mission of The Salvation Army.

An **Adherent** is a person aged 14 or older who is a Christian who sees The Salvation Army as their spiritual home and formalises this through a public ceremony.

Adherency is thus a form of “membership” within The Salvation Army.

An Adherent is somebody who is not an active member of any other religious body who affirms that a Salvation Army corps is their primary place of Christian worship.

Adherents make a declaration of faith and are enrolled in a ceremony at their local corps.

While not entering into a Soldier’s Covenant, an adherent makes a public declaration of faith.

Adherents do not wear official Salvation Army uniforms but may choose to wear informal uniform such as polo shirts or tshirts as a means of publicly identifying with the mission and ministry of The Salvation Army.

The Salvation Army affirms all who sign the certificate, recognises this as a positive step in a personal journey and pledges ongoing encouragement and pastoral guidance as this journey of faith unfolds.

Of course, anybody is welcome to join us for worship on Sundays or at any of our other activities without signing up officially as an Adherent or Soldier!

