

## MARRIAGE GUIDELINES (Updated in Jan 2023)

Couples wishing to be solemnized by Hope Church Singapore must meet the following requirements:

a. Both must be believers in Christ

b. At least one of you is a member of Hope Singapore.

c. Have completed the Marriage Preparation Course (MPC) and Prepare & Enrich conducted by our church. The intended wedding date should be no earlier than six months from the completion of MPC. Please refer to the Wedding Application Form for block-out periods in the church calendar.

d. Couples should not be violating Biblical principles by engaging in petting, pre-marital sex or co-habitation outside marriage. Such a couple must confess, repent and discontinue such acts. God designed a heterosexual marriage to be the arena for sexual expression.

e. Members are not engaging in any lifestyle or behaviour that violates Biblical principles without genuine repentance, even under loving counsel.

f. Couple has not registered a civil marriage at the Registry of Marriage (ROM), for the purpose of flat application, for example.

g. Couples should refrain from making any booking or wedding arrangements and/or confirm the wedding date until they have completed the MPC and received a Letter of Confirmation for the Wedding Application from the church.

h. For all weddings to be conducted on Sundays, the timing must be after 3 PM. This is to facilitate the officiating ministers who serve on Sunday services ample time for ministry matters and traveling to the venue.

