



Privacy Policy, Last Updated: 3/3/2026

HARVEST BAPTIST CHURCH

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1. About Us

Harvest Baptist Church, Inc. (“we,” “us,” or “our”) is a nonprofit Christian ministry committed to stewarding personal information in a way that honors God and protects the trust of our members, visitors, donors, and online users.

2. Purpose of This Privacy Policy

This Privacy Policy explains how we collect, use, store, and share personal information through our website, online platforms, mobile applications, and in-person ministries (“Services”). Questions may be directed to ADMIN@HARVESTBC.COM.

3. Information We Collect

A. Information You Provide

- Contact information (name, email, mailing address, phone number)
- Giving and payment information (processed by third-party providers; we do not store full financial details)
- Ministry participation information (event registrations, volunteer forms, group sign-ups, prayer requests, etc.)
- Communications you send to us (emails, messages, calls)

B. Sensitive Ministry Information

We may receive information such as:

- Prayer requests
- Baptism or membership details
- Pastoral counseling notes
- Children’s Ministry check-in data
- Volunteer background check results

Access is restricted to authorized ministry personnel.

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C. Information Collected Automatically

- Device and browser information
- IP address and log data
- Cookies and analytics data

4. How We Use Personal Information

We use personal information to support the ministries and operations of Harvest Baptist Church, including:

- Sending ministry updates, weekly newsletters, prayer requests, and event information
- Responding to questions, prayer requests, or pastoral care needs
- Coordinating volunteers, groups, and church activities
- Processing donations and event registrations
- Improving our website and communication tools
- Ensuring safety and security
- Complying with legal obligations

We do not sell personal information or use it for commercial advertising.

5. Legal Basis for Processing (If Applicable)

For individuals in regions with specific data-protection laws (e.g., EU/UK), we may process personal information based on:

- Consent
- Contractual necessity
- Legitimate Ministry Interests
- Legal obligations
- Protection of vital interests

6. How We Share Personal Information

We may share information only in the following circumstances:

- Service Providers: Trusted third-party vendors who assist with church management systems, email communications, online giving, event registration, or secure data storage.
- Legal Requirements: When required by law, court order, or law enforcement.

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- Internal Ministry Use: Limited sharing among authorized staff or ministry leaders for pastoral care, safety, or ministry coordination.

We do not share information with third parties for their own marketing purposes.

7. Your Communication Preferences

You may receive updates from the ministry if you sign up or participate in church activities. You may unsubscribe at any time using the link in our emails or by contacting **ADMIN@HARVESTBC.COM**.

Essential administrative or ministry-related messages may still be sent.

8. Data Retention

We retain personal information only as long as necessary for ministry, operational, or legal purposes. Retention periods depend on:

- The type of information
- Legal and tax requirements
- Pastoral or membership records
- Safety and accountability considerations

9. International Transfers

If personal information is transferred outside the United States (for example, through international service providers), we ensure appropriate safeguards are in place.

10. Your Rights

Depending on your location and applicable laws, you may have the right to:

- Access, correct, or request deletion of your personal information
- Request restriction or object to certain processing
- Request a portable copy of your data
- Withdraw consent where processing is based on consent

We respond to all requests in accordance with applicable laws.

11. Children's Privacy

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We take special care when handling information about children participating in our ministries. Children's data is collected only with parental or guardian involvement and is used solely for ministry and safety purposes.

12. Updates to This Policy

We may update this Privacy Policy periodically. When changes are made, we will revise the "Last Updated" date and provide notice when appropriate.

13. Contact Us

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