

# **Box Hill Baptist Church**

## **Pastoral Conduct Policy: Code of Ethics for Pastors**

All accredited Ministers and Pastoral Leaders within the Baptist Union of Victoria are committed to a Code of Ethics, which includes provisions expressing the values indicated above. The Code also provides for matters of appropriate relationships, self-care and other aspects of professional responsibility.

Box Hill Baptist Church, as a constituent church of the BUV, expects and requires its pastors to function within the Code of Ethics and affirms the procedures established by the BUV for the maintenance of the code and for dealing with breaches of the code.

The Code of Ethics and the explanatory companion document can be viewed at this site: <https://www.buv.com.au/documents/item/199>

The Baptist Union Professional Standards Group oversees the processes relevant to this code, including the processes for **Complaints**.

The Complaints Procedure for Allegations of Misconduct by Pastoral Leaders is found at this link:

<https://www.buv.com.au/documents/item/198>

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