

# Join Today!

There is no cost involved in becoming a member and signatory of the Group.

I wish to join Christians Supporting Choice for Voluntary Euthanasia as a 'signatory'. I support their campaign to make Voluntary Euthanasia a legal option for people suffering unbearably from a hopeless or terminal illness

Such legislation would include stringent safeguards against abuse.

Name ..... Mr/Ms/Mrs/Dr .....

Address: .....

EMAIL: (please print) .....

Signature: ..... Date .....

If known: State Electorate: .....

Please send more information

Optional:

Denomination: ..... /

non-Christian but wish to support the Group

Post to:

Ian Wood, Coordinator  
Christians Supporting Choice for Voluntary Euthanasia

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Mittagong, NSW 2575

Or email your details to:

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## I want the Choice of a Peaceful Death



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Explore our website to learn how Christian philosophy supports restricted aid-in-dying.

Love and compassion dictate that the legal option of an assisted death should be a right of all Australians who suffer from a hopeless or terminal illness.

## Christians Supporting Choice for Voluntary Euthanasia



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*The overwhelming majority of the Australian population, including 3 out of 4 Catholics and 4 out of 5 Anglicans believe that voluntary euthanasia should be legal in restricted circumstances.*

*Perhaps you are one of this majority?*

*"Our politicians, often guided by dogmatic religious beliefs, continue to deny the majority who want the choice of a death with dignity. We want to redress this imbalance." Rev. Dr Craig de Vos*



*... The majority believe in the right of the terminally or incurably ill to obtain medical assistance to end their lives.*

## Who are we?

We are an Australian ecumenical group, with Catholic, Anglican, Uniting, Lutheran, Baptist, Unitarian, Jehovah's Witness, Church of Christ and others already represented. All are welcome.

We believe that, as a demonstration of love and compassion, those with a terminal or hopeless illness should have the option of a pain-free, peaceful and dignified death with legal voluntary euthanasia.

Our group is independent of other aid-in-dying organisations. However, we work in cooperation with many of these societies towards our common goals.

The group was co-founded by Rev. Trevor Bensch of Adelaide and Ian Wood, now of Mittagong. Their work is endorsed by respected theologian, Rev. Dr Craig de Vos.

## Our aims

A key aim of our organisation is to make it known to all Australians as well as all politicians that many Christians support legalisation of choice for voluntary euthanasia, holding it to be consistent with Jesus' message of love and compassion.

Our principal activity is to lobby Members of Parliament through letter writing and public campaigns. It is intended that our statements are moderate, respectful and based on facts.

We also aim to counter misinformation put forward by our opponents and to educate the public on why medically assisted dying should be a legal right of people who are hopelessly ill.

The main opposition to law reform arises from some fundamentalist Christians and conservative groups, such as the Australian Christian Lobby. We are seeking to counteract their disturbing dogmatic approach to this issue.

## Become a member

By joining Christians Supporting Choice for Voluntary Euthanasia you can help give voice to the significant majority of Christians who support end of life choices.

By becoming a member you are expressing your agreement to be a signatory at the foot of all letters going to Members of Parliament. Members with email are given the opportunity to opt out of any letter.

There is no cost involved in becoming a member and signatory of the group. We do welcome sponsorship and donations to help us run our operations and pay for newspaper advertisements promoting the cause. Please make any cheques payable to Christians Supporting Choice for VE.

Considerable support has been expressed by non-Christians and ex-Christians for our campaign. We are very happy to welcome them as registered supporters of our group.