

How you can save water at home..

- *Turn off the tap when you brush your teeth*
- *Install a water saving shower head*
- *Mulch your garden*
- *Plant drought-tolerant plants*
- *Wait for a full load of washing*
- *Install a dual flush toilet*
- *Install a water tank*
- *Fix leaking taps*
- *Water your garden at night*
- *Wash your car at a carwash that recycles water or on the grass*
- *Wait until the dishwasher is full*



Water Tanks

The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it.

Genesis 2:15

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Why install water tanks at Toronto Baptist Church?

When God made mankind He gave us the responsibility to look after His world. We haven't always done a very good job of it.

Because of man's selfishness and greed, today His world faces many environmental challenges. Sometimes it's tempting to despair.

But if we all take responsibility for our own actions we can help solve some of the problems facing our neighbourhood, our lake and our world.

Every-time it rains, millions of litres of fresh water rushes off roofs and paved surfaces into the stormwater system. If the rain is heavy enough this can result in local flooding and erosion that washes pollutants into the lake. Then when it's dry we have to rely on dams many kilometres away to water our lawns and flush our toilets.

By installing water tanks under the back playground at Toronto Baptist Church we can help reduce local flooding, save the energy needed to pump water from dams, and reduce water use, helping to delay the need for another dam.

The good thing is that in the long run Toronto Baptist Church will save money on water bills as well.



How much water will we save?

On average Toronto Baptist Church uses almost 500 litres of water per day. So with a capacity of 11200 litres our new water tanks can cut our water use substantially.

Tank water is now being used to irrigate the church playground to make it a safer, more child-friendly environment.

The playground is used by:

- Creche
- Playtime
- Boys Brigade
- Girls Brigade
- Sunday School

But it doesn't stop there. The tanks are connected to the church toilets. So every-time you flush you're saving water.

But how much water will this really save? It's early days, but since the tanks were installed our water use has halved.

Where did the money come from?

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