

## **TPMM = The 10% More Movement.**

Founded early in 2023 TPMM was a protest movement against politicians' obsession with appealing to our greed by promising to reduce taxes. Many TPMM members were already giving well above 10% more through charities. Now they formed a coalition committing themselves to pay 10% more tax to create a more humane society and last year were officially registered with the ATO.

Individuals and business groups joined the push for more compassion and better-informed strategies of implementation, some, indeed, arguing that it also made better business sense not to have people poor and struggling. It all happened because of a widespread reaction to the exposure of how little tax many billionaires and big companies paid. "We want a more human society," declared JC one of its founders.

Members comes from all walks of life, some inspired by their religion, some simply wanting a more intelligent approach to what makes for good community. Many Pentecostals have recovered their foundational belief that the fruit of the Spirit is love and peace not wealth and peace and challenged their members involved in politics, highly relevant in recent years, to take this on board.

TPMM goes back in part to the pandemic crises where some in government did an about face on deficits and saw stimulus and subsidies as both good care and good economics. For others that seemed to have been just a phase and the trickery of self-marketing spin soon returned, leading ultimately to their election defeat. People saw through it and even some of the media did.

TPMM has now given us a chance to rethink to come into line with international aspirations about poverty and climate change. People can learn. Love, indeed, can make a way for all.



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