

PREAMBLE

The purpose of the institution of the Christian church being the extension of the kingdom of Jesus Christ over the world, this Church is declared to be, in its entirety, a missionary organization, and all its members are expected, as God gives ability, to labor, pray and contribute for the spread of the gospel at home and throughout the world.

"And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." Matt. 24:14

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen." Matt. 28:19,20

MANUAL

ARTICLE I

Name

This organization shall be known as the Highway Mission Tabernacle.

Affiliation

The Highway Mission Tabernacle is affiliated with the General Council of the Assemblies of God, with headquarters at Springfield, Missouri.

ARTICLE II

Object

The object of this organization is:

First: To carry on Gospel Work by practical means among all classes of people, both at home and abroad (Luke 14:21-23; Matt. 28:19; Mark 16:15).

Second: To promote a belief in the entire Word of God (II Tim. 3:16; Luke 24:27,44) and by preaching (Tit. 1:3) and witnessing (Acts 1:8, 26:16-22) to the Full Gospel of Christ (I Thess. 5:23, Eph. 3:14-19) to secure the salvation of sinners (Matt 1:21) and the edification of believers (Eph. 4:12).

Third: To provide a place of Christian worship (John 4:23), work (Mark 13:34), and fellowship (I John 1:3), for all classes of people irrespective of social position or worldly possessions (Jas. 2:1-9; Acts 10:34; Heb. 10:25).

ARTICLE III

Outlines of Belief

The Trinity: We believe in God the Father and in His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ our Saviour, "Who is over all, God blessed forever." (Rom. 9:5), and in God the Holy Spirit, three Divine Persons in the Unity of the Godhead (Matt. 28:19, II Cor. 13:14, Gen. 1:26, Matt. 3:16,17; Eph. 2:18, I Pet. 1:2, John 14:16,26; 15:26).

Inspiration of the Word: We believe the Holy Scriptures are the divinely inspired Word of God (Heb. 1:1, II Tim. 3:16,17; II Pet. 1:21) and our infallible rule of belief, doctrine, discipline and life (Psalm 138:2; 119:89; Matt. 5:17,18; Psalm 19:7,8; 119:105, 133; II Pet. 1:19, II Tim. 4:2, Acts 17:11,12; Prov. 30:5,6; Rev. 22:18,19).

The Atonement of Jesus Christ: We believe the Lord Jesus Christ, the son of God, who became the Son of man, has made a full atonement for the sins of all mankind, and that all who repent of their sins and believe in Him will be saved and "kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time." (I Pet. 1:5; Isa. 53:4-6; Matt. 8:17, John 3:16, I Tim. 2:5,6; Matt. 20:28; Eph. 1:7; Rom. 4:25; 5:10,11,18,19; Col. 1:20; II Cor. 5:18,19; I Pet. 1:18,19), and that those who die impenitent will be forever lost (Mark 9:43,44; Matt. 25:41; Luke 12:5; Luke 16:19-31).

Man, His Fall and Redemption: We believe man was created good and upright for God said, "Let us make man in Our Image, after Our likeness." But man, by voluntary transgression, fell, and his only hope of redemption is in Jesus Christ the Son of God (Gen. 1:26-31; 3:1-7; Rom. 5:12-21).

The Salvation of Man; We believe

(a) Conditions to Salvation: The grace of God, which bringeth salvation, hath appeared to all men, thru the preaching of repentance toward God and faith toward the Lord Jesus Christ; man is saved by the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Ghost, and being justified by grace through faith, he becomes an heir of God according to the hope of eternal life. (Titus 2:11; Rom. 10:13-15; Luke 24:27; Titus 3:5-7).

(b) The evidence of Salvation: The inward evidence, to the believer of his salvation, is the direct witness of the Spirit (Rom. 8:16). The outward evidence, to all men, is a life of righteousness and true holiness.

The Holy Spirit: We believe all Christians are entitled to and should ardently expect and earnestly seek the promise of the Father, the Baptism in the Holy Ghost and fire, according to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ. This was the normal experience of all in the early Christian Church. With it comes the endowment of power for life

and service, the bestowment of the gifts and their uses in the work of the ministry (Luke 24:49); Acts 1:4-8; I Cor. 12:1-31). This wonderful experience is distinct from and subsequent to the experience of the new birth. (Acts 2:38; 10:44-46; 11:14-16; 15:7-9).

We accept and believe the full consummation of the Baptism of believers in the Holy Ghost, as received by the early Christian Church on the Day of Pentecost, is evidenced by the initial physical sign of speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance, and by the subsequent manifestation of spiritual power in public testimony and service. (Acts 2:4; 8:17; 11:14-16; 19:2,6; Acts 1:8; 2:42,43).

Entire Sanctification: We believe the Scriptures teach a life of holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord. By the power of the Holy Ghost, we are to obey the command, "Be ye holy, for I am holy." Entire sanctification is the will of God for all believers, and should be earnestly pursued by walking in obedience to God's Word. (Heb. 12:14; I Peter 1:15,16; I Thess. 5:23,24; I John 2:6; Rom. 8:3,4).

The Church: We believe that the Church is the body of Christ of which He is the Head (Col. 1:18; Eph. 1:22,23; 5:23-32), and that the Church comprises all true believers whose duty is to associate themselves together for the maintenance of public worship and the observance of the ordinances of Christ (Acts 11:26; Heb. 10:25).

The Ministry of Evangelism: A divinely called and scripturally ordained ministry has been provided by our Lord for a two-fold purpose:

1. The evangelization of the world, and
2. The edifying of the Body of Christ. (Mark 16:15,20; Eph. 4:11-13).

Divine Healing: Deliverance from sickness is provided for in the atonement, and is the privilege of all believers. (Isa. 53:4,5; Matt. 8:16,17; Mark 16:18; John 5:14).

The Blessed Hope: The resurrection of those who have fallen asleep in Christ and their translation, together with those who are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord, is imminent and is the blessed hope of the Church. (I Thess. 4:16,18; Rom. 8:23; Titus 2:13; I Cor. 15:51,52).

The Millennial Reign of Jesus: The revelation of the Lord Jesus Christ from heaven, the salvation of national Israel, and the millennial reign of Christ on earth is the Scriptural promise and the world's hope (II Thess. 1:7; Rev. 19:11-16; Rom. 11:25,27;

The Lake of Fire: The devil and his angels, the beast and the false prophet, ^{Rev. 20:1-7)} and whosoever is not found written in the Book of Life, shall be consigned to everlasting punishment in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone, which is the second death. (Rev. 19:20; 20:10-15).

The New Heavens and New Earth: We, "according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness." (II Peter 3:13; Rev. 21 and 22).

Ordinances: We believe there are two Ordinances in the Church:

1. The Ordinance of Baptism by immersion in water (Matt. 28:19) which shall be administered to all those who have repented of their sins and who have believed on the Lord Jesus Christ to the saving of their souls, and who give clear evidence of their salvation (Rom. 6:3-5).

2. The ordinance of Communion which shall be observed regularly, as enjoined in the Scripture (Luke 22:19,20; I Cor. 11:23-26). The Communion will be administered at least once each month.

Dedication of Children: Parents have the privilege of presenting their infant children in the house of God for public dedication to God (I Sam. 1:27,28; Mark 10:13,14).

Christian Fellowship: We recognize in Christian Fellowship and affection all true believers of whatever name, and we desire to work in harmony with every organization of evangelical Christians who hold and practice the truth as it is in Christ Jesus and are organized and constituted in accordance with the Word of God for the work of the Gospel (I John 1:3; Psalm 133:1; Acts 2:1; John 17:20,21).

ARTICLE IV Members

Standard of Membership:

- (a) Evidence of genuine experience in regeneration (the new birth). (John 1:12,13; 3:3-8; I Pet. 1:18-25).
- (b) Evidence of a consistent Christian life (Rom. 6:4; 8:1-4; 13:13,14; Eph 4:17-32; 5:1,2,15; I John 1:6,7,).
- (c) To voluntarily subscribe to the tenets of faith and agree to be governed by the constitution and by-laws of this Assembly as herein set forth.

Application for Membership: Persons desiring to become members shall make application to the Pastor and the Board of Elders of the Church, who in turn shall carefully question each applicant as to their belief and profession of faith before recommending them for acceptance by the Church. *Official Board*

Reception:

(a) Upon the recommendation of the Pastor and the Board of Elders, with the approval of the Official Board, new members shall be publicly welcomed at the next monthly Communion service.

(b) Persons may be admitted to membership upon presentation of a letter of transfer in good standing from any church affiliated with the Assemblies of God upon the recommendation of the Pastor, Board of Elders and Official Board.

Active:

(a) All persons having been received into membership of the Church shall be considered as Active Members as long as they continue to subscribe to and embrace the Standard of Membership under Article IV and show interest in the Church by regular attendance at the meetings, and a spirit of cooperation toward the Pastor and Officers of the Church.

(b) All persons having met the scriptural Standards for Membership, whose names appear on the Active Church Membership Roll, shall constitute the legal voting membership of the Church, except as hereinafter provided.

Inactive: Enrolled members who shall without good cause absent themselves from the services of the Assembly for a period of three (3) consecutive months or more, or who cease to contribute of their means to its support, or who may be out of harmony with its teachings, or who shall be under charges of misconduct, or who may have fallen under condemnation through sinful or worldly practices, shall be considered as Inactive Members and shall lose their voting privileges until they are restored to the fellowship, their standing to be settled by the definite action of the Assembly through its elected officers.

Associate: Members who are actively engaged in the Lord's Work (such as Ministers, Evangelists, Missionaries, etc.) either at home or abroad, shall be considered Associate Members without voting privileges. Associate Membership recognition shall continue as long as the member maintains a consistent Christian life, remains sound in doctrine, and maintains a cooperative attitude toward the home Assembly.

Junior: Membership shall be available for young people under 18 years of age who give evidence of the new birth, having received Christ as personal Saviour, and who meet the usual qualifications for membership established by this Assembly, and complete the doctrinal course provided by the Church. They shall have voting privileges at 18 years of age.

DUTIES AND PRIVILEGES

1. Members are expected, as a part of their religious duty, to observe scriptural methods of giving cheerfully and regularly of their tithes and offerings, as unto the Lord. (Mal. 3:10; 1 Cor. 16:1,2; Acts 20:35; Psalm 76:11; II Cor. 8:7; Ex. 23:16; Prov. 11:24,25; I Chron. 29:9-14; Rom. 12:8; Prov. 19:17).
2. All Active Members shall be entitled to vote at business meetings of the church provided they are 18 years of age or over.
3. The privilege of the floor shall be granted to all members in good standing, at all business meetings of the Church, for the presentation of matters pertaining to the conduct and progress of the Church, in accordance with scriptural conduct and parliamentary order.
4. It shall be the privilege of any Active Member to propose profitable suggestions or amendments to the Manual by presenting the same in writing to the Official Board, who after prayerful consideration will, upon approval, submit such suggestions or amendments to the Church for action or, upon disapproval, return the same to the proposer, to be presented by them on the floor if they so desire.
5. A monthly financial statement shall be available to all Active Members upon request to the treasurer and, in the event of any discrepancy, the Church may call for an audit of the books, the time and place of the audit to be designated by the Official Board.
6. Any member who has a complaint, grievance or objection to any action or decision of the Official Board shall communicate directly with the Board. An appeal shall be made to the Church only in the event a satisfactory understanding cannot be reached.

Letters of Transfer: Any member in good standing, who for good and sufficient reasons desire to unite with another Christian evangelical church, shall be granted a Letter of Transfer by the Official Board.

ARTICLE V

Meetings

Meetings for public worship shall be held on Sundays, and at such other times during the week as will enhance the spiritual growth of the Church.

The Annual Business Meeting of the Church shall be held on the third Sunday afternoon in October for the election of officers, the review of the work of the year, and other current business.

Special Business Meetings of the Church may be called at any time by the Pastor or by petition having been signed by not less than 1/3 of the Active Membership of the Assembly, the petition to be placed in the hands of the Pastor, or, in the absence of the Pastor, to the Official Board, and an announcement made on the two Sundays prior to the date of the meeting.

Quorum. No record of any special or regular business meeting of the Assembly shall be made unless one-third or more Active Members shall be present to constitute a quorum.

The Pastor shall act as chairman at all business meetings except when motions are made pertaining to him, and in his absence a member of the Board of Elders shall act as chairman.

ARTICLE VI

Fiscal Year

Fiscal Year. The financial fiscal year of the Church shall run concurrently with the calendar year.

ARTICLE VII

Officers

The elected officers of the Church, all of whom must be Active Members, shall be as follows:

A Pastor, who shall be considered as the spiritual overseer of the Church, and together with the Board of Elders, shall direct the spiritual activities of the Church. He shall act as chairman of all business meetings of the Church and shall be an ex-officio member of all committees or departments. He shall be elected by the Church at any business meeting by a three-fourths vote of the members present and entitled to vote.

A Church Secretary shall be hired by the Pastor and he shall designate the duties.

An Associate Pastor shall be recommended by the Pastor to the Official Board, which shall then recommend the person to the congregation. He then shall be elected by the Church at any business meeting by a three-fourths vote of the members present and entitled to vote.

The Official Board shall consist of the following officers:

Four elders; four Deacons and three Deaconesses; six Trustees and a Treasurer; Church Secretary, Sunday School Superintendent and Assistant Sunday School Superintendent. The quorum for the Official Board shall consist of one-third of the Active Members of the Board.

The Elders shall cooperate with the Pastor in the direction of the spiritual activities of the Church.

The Deacons and Deaconesses shall show every courtesy and attention to strangers; secure the names and addresses of converts, visit and encourage them; welcome new members, inquire after members absent from the regular services of the Church; visit the sick and poor of the Church and judiciously administer to their relief.

The Trustees and Treasurer, in whom shall be vested the corporate and property rights of the Church according to the legal statutes, shall have charge of the property and temporal affairs of the Church generally, shall receive and shall order the regular operating disbursements of all the revenues of the Church, excepting only the funds of the Sunday School, the Young People and Children's Church. All major expenditures must be approved by the Pastor and the entire Official Board. All offerings shall be turned over to at least two members of the Trustee Board who shall count, record and sign for the same in a special receipt book. The Trustees shall appoint a Sexton and regulate his duties. They shall recommend his salary, to be approved by the Official Board.

The Treasurer, who by virtue of his office shall be a member of the Board of Trustees. He shall be entrusted with all the finances of the Assembly which may be committed to him. He shall deposit all funds in a responsible bank in the name of the Church, and shall disburse the same by check, as authorized by the Trustee Board. The Treasurer shall keep an itemized account of the receipts and disbursements and render financial reports monthly to the Official Board and a report to the Church at the Annual Meeting, or to any member who so requests one. The Treasurer shall be bonded under the insurance policy of the Church.

The Church Secretary (formerly Church Clerk) shall keep the minutes of the official meetings of the Board and of the annual and special business meetings of the Church. He/she shall keep a record of the membership of the Church and perform any other clerical work necessary to the proper discharge of his duties. He/she shall be responsible for all legal documents and the corporate seal.

A Sunday School Superintendent, who shall direct the affairs of the Sunday School, and also an Assistant Superintendent, who shall aid the Superintendent in his work. The Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent shall be elected annually by the Church. The Pastor and the Sunday School Superintendent shall have the right to appoint all officers, teachers and other workers of the Sunday School, and, in consultation with the workers of the school, determine all policies and programs of the school.

In the case of deaths or vacancies, a successor may be appointed by the Pastor and Official Board to complete the unexpired term.

All officers, Boards, Committees and Organizations shall render written reports to the Church at its periodic business meetings, and shall be subject to the direction of the Church in all matters pertaining to their work.

APPOINTIVE OFFICES

A Chorister, Choir and Orchestra Director, a pianist and an organist, if necessary, may be appointed annually by the Pastor and Official Board.

City Missionaries may be appointed annually by the Pastor and Official Board and ratified by the Church at a periodic business meeting, and whose activities shall be under the directions of the Pastor and Official Board.

ARTICLE VIII

Elections

The Pastor shall be elected to serve for an indefinite period of time. He shall be recommended by the Official Board to the membership after consultation with the District Officiary regarding available candidates. Only one name shall be voted upon at a time. Election shall be by secret ballot at a special business meeting called for that purpose. A three-fourths vote of the members present and entitled to vote shall be required to constitute an election.

In the event a Pastor has serious charges preferred against him, responsibility is vested in the Board to ask for the resignation of the Pastor.

If such resignation is refused, the pastorate shall not be considered vacant until the action of the Board has been confirmed by a majority vote of the membership at a meeting called for the purpose, such meeting to be presided over by the District Officiary. In the case of a Pastor's removal from office, a report of such action shall be made to the District Officiary.

The election of officers (elders, deacons, and deaconesses, trustees, treasurer, secretary, Sunday School superintendent and Assistant Sunday School Superintendent) shall be held at the Annual business meeting. A majority vote shall constitute an election. Their term of office shall start on January 1 of the next year.

The terms of office of all elected officers shall be for two years, and arranged so that one-half of the terms shall expire each year, with elections being held annually. Any candidate for office must be a member of our local Church for a period of two years before becoming eligible to hold office. I Tim. 3:6,10.

Any office may be declared vacant by an act of a majority of the membership of the Board at any regular or special business meeting. Ground for such action shall be:

1. Unscriptural conduct.
2. Doctrinal departure from the tenets of faith
3. Incompetency in office

Any incumbent under charges shall have opportunity for a fair and impartial hearing of his case before the Church if he so desires.

At the monthly Board Meeting preceding that in which the annual election of the Church is held, the Board shall choose two members from each of the Elder Board, Deacons and Deaconess Board and Trustee Board and the Pastor shall appoint two members from the congregation to constitute the Nominating Committee. The names of the Nominating Committee shall be announced at a regular service and the committee shall meet and nominate two or more persons for any one office.

It shall be the duty of the Nominating Committee to select such persons from the Active Membership of the Church, who have received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, as, in their judgment, are best fitted by their gifts, talents and life, to be nominees for the offices to be filled at the ensuing election, giving due consideration to new material, as well as incumbent officers. A written report of such nominations, signed by at least a majority of the Committee, shall be submitted to the Church for ratification on the day of the election, and such nominees shall be the candidates for the several offices designated, from which the required number shall be elected for each office by ballot.

ARTICLE IX The Sunday School

In order to promote a systematic study of the Word of God, a Sunday School for young and old shall be maintained as an integral part of the Church, assembling every Sunday. The Sunday School Board shall consist of the Pastor, Sunday School Superintendent, Assistant Sunday School Superintendent, Teachers and whatever officers that may be elected, who shall manage the affairs of the Sunday School. The Sunday School shall keep its revenue in a separate fund, which shall be disbursed according to the direction of the Sunday School Board. Reports of the operations of the Sunday School, both spiritual and financial, shall be made at periodic business meetings of the Church.

ARTICLE X Committees

Auditing Committee. The accounts and books of the Treasurer shall be audited at the end of the fiscal year. The Auditing Committee shall consist of three members, appointed by the Pastor, one of whom shall be a member of the Official Board. Their report, together with the annual financial report, shall be mailed to the Church members upon completion.

ARTICLE XI Organizations

Organizations formed within the Church shall first have the approval of the Pastor and Official Board. They shall operate in harmony with the Church and with the goals of the Church. They shall elect their own officers (who shall be Active Members of the Church), the nominees having been approved by the Pastor and Official Board.

ARTICLE XII Property Rights

1. All real property shall be taken, held, sold, transferred, or conveyed in the corporate name of the Church.

2. No real property of the Church shall be sold, leased, mortgaged or otherwise alienated unless the same shall have been authorized by at least a two-thirds majority of the Church membership present and entitled to vote. (See Article V-Quorum)

3. The President and Secretary of the Board of Trustees shall certify in such conveyance, lease or mortgage, that the same has been duly authorized by the vote of the active membership of the Church. Such certificate shall be held to be conclusive evidence thereof.

ARTICLE XIII Church Finances

The finances of the Church shall be derived from the tithes and voluntary contributions which the members are expected to give as part of their Christian obligation and from voluntary contributions of friends of the work (Phil. 4:19; Mal. 3:10; I Cor. 16:1,2; 2 Cor. 9:6,7). No secular entertainment shall be held, or secular merchandise of any kind shall be sold in the Church (Psalm 93:5; John 2:13-16; Matt. 21:12,13).

ARTICLE XIV
Discipline

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"Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual restore such an one in the spirit of meekness, considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted." (Gal. 6:1). In the case of difficulties between members, or of members requiring discipline, the order of procedure is as follows:

"Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his faults between thee and him alone. If he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother. But if he will not hear thee, then take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word shall be established. And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell it unto the Church; but if he shall neglect to hear the Church, let him be unto thee as a heathen man and a publican." (Matt. 18:15-17).

All complaints shall be made to the Pastor and Board of Elders who shall hear and weigh them, keeping a permanent written record of such hearings and decisions. Any aggrieved member may appeal from the decision of the Pastor and Board of Elders to the Church at any periodic or special business meeting.

Dismissal: Any member of the Church will be dismissed for any one of the following Causes:

1. If absent from the Church services continuously for one year without reasonable cause. (Heb. 10:24,25), provided that any such members whose address is known shall not be dropped without having first been communicated with, or personally visited by at least two members of the Board of Deacons and Deaconesses or the Board of Elders or the Pastor.
2. If living a sinful life and refusing to change. (II Thess. 3:6, 10; Gal. 5:19-21; Eph. 5:3-7; I Cor. 5:11-13).
3. If known to promulgate doctrines inconsistent with commonly accepted teachings of the General Council of the Assemblies of God or the Outlines of Belief of this Church. (Jude 1:3,4; II Tim. 1:13; I Tim. 6:3-5; Rom. 16:17).
4. If engaged in the disruption of fellowship by sowing discord among the brethren; persisting in gossip; and in general creating trouble (James 3:2-12; Prov. 6:19; Rom. 2:1-3).

Divorce and Remarriage

a. Membership

- (1) Marriage entanglements before conversion. There are now among Christians people those who became entangled in their marriage relations in their former lives of sin and who do not see how these matters can be adjusted. These people may be received into membership of the Church and their marriage complications be left in the hands of the Lord (I Cor. 7:17,20,24).
- (2) Common law marriage. In no case shall persons be accepted into membership who are known to be living in a common-law state of matrimony.

b. Remarriage

Low standards on marriage and divorce are very hurtful to individuals, to the family, and to the cause of Christ. Therefore, we discourage divorce by all lawful means and teaching. We positively disapprove the Christians getting divorces for any cause except fornication and adultery (Matt. 5:32; Matt. 19:9). Where these exceptional circumstances exist or when a Christian has been divorced by an unbeliever, we recommend that the question of remarriage be resolved by the believer as he walks in the light of God's Word (I Cor. 7:10,11,15,27, 28 and 39).

- c. Standard for Offices. Any divorced member who shall remarry while a former spouse is still living, or any member marrying a divorced person who has a former spouse still living, shall not serve on the Official Board. However, other opportunities for Christian service for which these believers may be qualified shall be available to them.

Suspension: Any member who shall be under charges shall be temporarily suspended from active voting membership pending investigation and final decision in such case.

ARTICLE XV Amendments

This Constitution may be amended by a three-fourths vote of the membership of the Church in attendance at any regular or special meeting called for that purpose, provided due notice of such proposed change shall have been made at all the services on at least two consecutive Sundays immediately prior to the time of such meeting. It shall be understood that this does not apply to the Outlines of Belief (Article III), which stands regardless of majority.

RESOLUTIONS

Any resolution of motion made at any business meeting relating to the future action or policy of the Church may be made a Standing Resolution and included with others in permanent form for reference, provided that same is presented in writing in proper form and designated a Resolution, and receives a two-thirds majority vote of members present and entitled to vote. Such resolutions may be amended, suspended or rescinded by a two-thirds majority vote at any business meeting (See Article V-Quorum).

ORDER OF BUSINESS

The regular order of business for the annual meeting of the Church shall be as follows:

1. Devotional
2. Reading of previous minutes by secretary
3. Report of treasurer
4. Report of committees
5. Election of officers
6. Unfinished business
7. New Business. Any new business should be presented in writing in proper form to the Official Board three weeks prior to the annual business meeting.
8. Adjournment.

DISSOLUTION

In the event this Church shall cease to function for the purposes as declared heretofore in its Articles of Agreement and/or the Articles of its Constitution, then after providing for the payment of its debts, the remaining assets shall revert to, and be transferred to, the parent body The General Council of the Assemblies of God, a Missouri Corporation with headquarters at Springfield, Missouri. The General Council of the Assemblies of God shall have full authority to sell such property and to use the proceeds derived therefrom for the extension of the work of the Assemblies of God within Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, of the Pennsylvania-Delaware District.

In the event of cessation of this Church, its Board of Trustees shall within one year thereafter transfer all properties and any remaining assets to the General Council of the Assemblies of God in accordance with the foregoing provisions. If such transfer is not made within the time prescribed herein or if the aforesaid The General Council of the Assemblies of God shall be unable or unwilling to accept the aforesaid transfer as an organization operated exclusively for religious purposes with tax-exempt status under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, then disposition thereof

shall be made by the court of the county in which this Church is located, provided that in such case proceeds of the dissolution shall be distributed to an organization or organizations having purposes nearest the purposes of The General Council of the Assemblies of God, and which are organized and operated exclusively for religious purposes, and which have established tax-exempt status under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

MILITARY SERVICE

WHEREAS, the Christian Dispensation is one of "Peace on earth, good will toward men and love to all men" (Luke 2:14; John 15:12-17).

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That in love and loyalty to our great nation, the United States of America, we pledge ourselves to honor it, support it, and maintain unswerving fidelity to it at all times. (Rom. 13:1-7).

2. That in time of war we desire to be exempted from such service as would require us to bear arms against our fellowman (Matt. 5:44) preferring such service as will conserve rather than destroy lives precious in the sight of the Master.

(All rules and regulations heretofore existing, not embodied herein, are hereby abolished).