INSTRUCTIONS FOR ADOPTING A CHURCH CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

Assemblies or churches in the fellowship of the Assemblies of God are entitled to the help of district officials when planning for the adoption of new Constitution and Bylaws.

Arrangements should be made with the District Superintendent, or District Presbyter, to be present at a meeting for the adoption of the Constitution and Bylaws. Announcement of the purpose of meeting and date, should be made in public services on at least two consecutive Sundays prior to the date of meeting, so that all the membership is notified to be present.

Copies of the Suggested Constitution and Bylaws should be made available to committees or the membership prior to the date of the meeting so that all may be fully informed of the provisions of the rules to be adopted.

The District Officer shall preside at this meeting and shall guide the church in its decisions, considering and adopting each article, one by one, and then finally adopting the new Constitution and Bylaws as a whole.

A careful record must be kept of all business meetings including the election of the first trustees and their successors in office. This is very important, for this record is a legal requirement when church property is involved.

The Executive Presbytery
General Council of the Assemblies of God.

SUGGESTED CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS FOR LOCAL ASSEMBLIES

CONSTITUTION	AND	BYLAWS	OF
Adopted this			
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PREAMBLE			
For the purpose of establishing and maintaining a place for the worship of Almighty God, our heavenly Father; to provide for Christian fellowship for those of like precious faith, where the Holy Ghost may be honored according to our distinctive testimony; to assume our share of responsibility and the privilege of propagating the gospel of Jesus Christ by all available means, both at home and in foreign lands; we, whose names appear upon the assembly roster under above date, do hereby recognize ourselves as a local assembly in fellowship with and a part of the General Council of the Assemblies of God, and adopt the following articles of church order and submit ourselves to be governed by them.			
CONSTITUTION			
ARTICI	E I. N	AME	
The name of this	Assembly	shall be	
of the city			
State of			