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ARTICLE I Location of Offices

The initial principal office of the Corporation in the State of Texas shall be located in Rockwall County, Texas.

The Corporation may have such other offices, either within or without the State of Texas, as the Board of Directors may determine or as the affairs of the Corporation may require from time to time.

The Corporation shall have and continuously maintain in the State of Texas a registered office and a registered agent whose office is identical with such registered office as required by the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act. The registered office may be, but does not need to be, identical with the principal office in the State of Texas, and the address of the principal office and the Board of Directors may change the registered office from time to time.

ARTICLE II Objectives and Purposes

The primary objectives and purposes of this Corporation shall be:

- a) for exclusively religious purposes (including charitable and benevolent purposes common to a pastoral church ministry as defined by Scripture). Our commission is summarized as follows: “And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, ‘All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. 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.’” (Matthew 28:18-20, KJV).
- b) to promote the spiritual welfare of people and in particular the members of this church
- c) to operate an educational institution of less than collegiate grade wherein the students may obtain a sound general education of the highest order within the tradition and values of the Christian church
- d) to generally do all acts necessary or expedient in connection with these purposes as permitted by the laws of the State of Texas

ARTICLE III Members

Section 1: Corporate Members

The Corporation shall have no class of members. Any action which would otherwise require approval by a majority of all members shall only require approval of the Board of Directors. All rights which would otherwise vest in the members shall vest in the Board of Directors.

Section 2: Members of the Fellowship

Nothing contained in Section 1 of this Article shall be construed to limit the right of the Corporation to refer to persons associated with the Corporation as ‘members’ even though such persons are not corporate members, and no such reference in or outside of these Bylaws shall constitute anyone being a member. See Article VI for membership details.



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ARTICLE IV Board of Directors

Section 1: General Powers

The affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors. Directors need not be residents of the State of Texas or members of the Corporation.

Section 2: Specific Powers

Subject to the limitations of the Articles and these Bylaws and of pertinent restrictions of the Corporation Code of the State of Texas, all the activities and affairs of the Corporation shall be exercised by or under the direction of the Board of Directors, who are responsible for shepherding and having oversight of the flock. Without prejudice to such general powers, but subject to these same limitations, it is hereby expressly declared that the Board shall have the following powers in addition to the other powers enumerated by these Bylaws:

- a) To select and remove all the officers, agents, pastors, staff, and employees of the Corporation; prescribe such duties for them consistent with the Scriptures, with law, with the Articles of Incorporation, or with these Bylaws; and fix the terms of their offices and their compensation.
- b) To make such disbursements from the funds and properties of the Corporation as are required to fulfill the purposes of this Corporation as are more fully set out in the Articles of Incorporation, thereof and generally to conduct, manage, and control the activities and affairs of the Corporation and to make such rules and regulations consistent with the Scriptures, with law, with the Articles of Incorporation, or with these Bylaws, as they may deem best.
- c) To adopt, make, and use a corporate seal, and to alter the form of such seal from time to time as they may deem best.
- d) To establish policies and practices for the church consistent with the purposes of this Corporation.
- e) To assist the Pastor(s) in the administration of the ordinances of Baptism and Communion.
- f) To borrow money and incur indebtedness for the purposes of the Corporation and to cause to be executed and delivered, in the corporate name, promissory notes, bonds, debentures, deeds of trust, mortgages, pledges, hypothecations, or other evidences of debt and securities.
- g) To carry on a business and apply any such profit that results from the business activity in which it may legally engage.

Section 3: Number, Tenure and Qualifications

The number of Directors shall be four (4). Each Director shall hold office for an indefinite period of time subject to the following reservations: Each Director must give one month's notice if he or she intends to resign. The time limit of a Director's resignation is subject to a lesser time if all the Directors by mutual agreement provide otherwise.

Section 4: Regular Meetings

A regular annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held without other notice than this by-law. The Board of Directors may provide by resolution the time and place, either within or without the State of Texas, for the holding of additional regular meetings of the Board without other notice than such resolution.

Section 5: Special Meetings

Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by or at the request of the President or any Director. The person or persons authorized to call special meetings of the Board may fix any place, either within or without the State of Texas, as the place for holding any special meeting of the Board called by them.



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Section 6: Notice

Notice of any special meeting of the Board of Directors shall be given at least two days previously thereto by written notice delivered personally or sent by mail or telegram to each Director at his address as shown by the records of the Corporation. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail in a sealed envelope so addressed, the postage thereon prepaid. If notice is given by telegram, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when the telegram is delivered to the telegraph company. Any Director may waive notice of any meeting. The attendance of a Director at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a Director attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. Neither the business to be transaction at, nor the purpose of, any regular or special meeting of the Board need be specified in the notice or waiver of notice of such meeting, unless specifically required by law or by these by-laws.

Section 7: Quorum

A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board; but if less than a majority of the Directors are present at said meeting, a majority of the Directors present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice.

Section 8: Manner of Acting

The act of a majority of the Directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Directors, unless the act of a greater number is required by law or by these by-laws.

Section 9: Vacancies

Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors and any directorship to be filled by reason of an increase in the number of Directors may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining directors, though less than a quorum of the Board of Directors. A Director elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office.

Section 10: Compensation

Directors as such shall not receive any stated salaries for their services, but by resolution of the Board of Directors a fixed sum and expenses of attendance, if any, may be allowed for attendance at each regular or special meeting of the Board; but nothing herein contained shall be construed to preclude any Director from serving the Corporation in any other capacity and receiving compensation therefor.

Section 11: Informal Action by Directors

Any action required by law to be taken at a meeting of Directors, or any action which may be taken at a meeting of Directors, may be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by all of the Directors.

ARTICLE V Officers

Section 1: Officers

The officers of the Corporation shall be a President, one or more Vice Presidents (the number thereof to be determined by the Board of Directors), a Secretary, a Treasurer, and such other officers as may be elected in accordance with the provisions of this Article. The Board of Directors may elect or appoint such other officers, including one or more Assistant Secretaries and one or more Assistant Treasurers, as it shall deem desirable, such officers to have the authority and perform the duties prescribed, from time to



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time, by the Board of Directors. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person, except the office of President and Secretary.

Section 2: Election and Term of Office

The officers of the Corporation shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors at the regular annual meeting of the Board of Directors. If the election of officers shall not be held at such meeting, such election shall be held as soon thereafter as conveniently may be done. New offices may be created and filled at any meeting of the Board of Directors. Each officer shall hold office until his successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified.

Section 3: Removal

Any officer elected or appointed by the Board of Directors may be removed by the Board of Directors whenever in its judgment the best interests of the Corporation would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the officer so removed.

Section 4: Vacancies

A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification, or otherwise, may be filled by the Board of Directors for the unexpired portion of the term.

Section 5: President

The President shall be the principal executive officer of the Corporation and shall in general supervise and control all of the business and affairs of the Corporation. He or she shall preside at all meetings of the members and of the Board of Directors. He or she may sign, with the Secretary or any other proper officer of the Corporation authorized by the Board of Directors, any deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments which the Board of Directors has authorized to be executed, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these by-laws or by statute to some other officer or agent of the Corporation; and in general he or she shall perform all duties incident to the office of President and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time.

Section 6: Vice President

In the absence of the President or in the event of his or her inability or refusal to act, the Vice President (or in the event there be more than one Vice President, the Vice Presidents in the order of their election) shall perform the duties of the President, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President. Any Vice President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the President or by the Board of Directors.

Section 7: Treasurer

If required by the Board of Directors, the Treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of his or her duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the Board of Directors shall determine. He or she shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the Corporation; receive and give receipts for moneys due and payable to the Corporation from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such moneys in the name of the Corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as shall be selected in accordance with the provisions of Article XII of these by-laws; and in general perform all the duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the President or by the Board of Directors.

Section 8: Secretary

The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors in one or more books provided for that purpose; see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these



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by-laws or as required by law; be custodian of the corporate records; keep a register of the post office address of each Director which shall be furnished to the Secretary by such Director; and in general perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the President or by the Board of Directors.

Section 9: Assistant Treasurers and Assistant Secretaries

If required by the Board of Directors, the Assistant Treasurers shall give bonds for the faithful discharge of their duties in such sums and with such sureties as the Board of Directors shall determine. The Assistant Treasurers and Assistant Secretaries, in general, shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to them by the Treasurer or the Secretary or by the President or the Board of Directors.

Section 10: Compensation

The salaries of the officers, if any, shall be fixed from time to time by resolution of the Board of Directors, and no officer shall be prevented from receiving such salary by reason of the fact that he or she is also a director of the Corporation. In all cases, any salaries received by officers of this Corporation shall be reasonable and given in return for services actually rendered the Corporation which relate to the performance of the religious purposes of this Corporation.

ARTICLE VI Church Membership

Section 1: Purpose of the Fellowship

The congregation of Christian believers who have applied for membership and have been duly accepted shall constitute a spiritual body, united for the spiritual purposes set forth in Article II of these Bylaws.

Section 2: Active Membership

Active membership in the Kingdom Dining Church shall be open to all persons who confess Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

Section 3: Voting Privileges

Membership in this church shall not vest in any member any proprietary rights in the Corporation, but shall only entitle the member to vote at a meeting of the members on those matters that the Board of Directors chooses to submit to the church membership for affirmation. In such cases, voting privileges are restricted to members who are in good standing, who are not under any disciplinary action, and who have passed their sixteenth (16) birthday. Membership shall not be assignable inter vivos by any member nor shall membership vest to any personal representative, heir, or devisee.

Section 4: Applications for Membership

All requests for membership shall be made to a Pastor, Elder, or Deacon. Upon making such a request, the person shall be given an application for membership, along with a copy of the Statement of Faith and a copy of the Bylaws. A Pastor, Elder, or Deacon shall meet with the applicant following receipt of the application. Each applicant shall assent to the Statement of Faith, subscribe to the Bylaws, and shall testify publicly before a duly appointed Committee of the Board, per Article VII of these Bylaws, at a regularly held meeting for prospective members.

Section 5: Denial of Membership

If, upon review of an application for membership or after meeting with a prospective member, the Board of Directors determines that the applicant does not confess Jesus Christ as his or her Lord and Savior, or that there is a lack of evidence of a godly lifestyle, membership shall be denied. The decision made by the Board shall be final and there shall be no appeal to any court from that decision.



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Section 6: Admission of Applicants

Applicants admitted to membership shall, if possible, present themselves at a worship service designated by the Pastor and Board of Directors, at which service such applicants shall publicly affirm their membership commitment and be publicly acknowledged as members. Every new Member shall receive a certificate from the Church, signed by the President or Vice-President and Secretary, stating that he or she is a member of this Church. Certificates of Membership shall not be transferable.

Section 7: Responsibilities of Members

Members shall seek to exercise their spiritual gifts for the mutual benefit of all the church body and shall submit to the loving rule of the Pastor(s).

Section 8: Church Discipline

- a) The threefold purpose of church discipline is to glorify God by maintaining purity in the local church (1 Corinthians 5:6), to edify believers by deterring sin (1 Timothy 5:20), and to promote the spiritual welfare of the offending believer by calling him or her to return to a biblical standard of doctrine and conduct (Galatians 6:1).
- b) Members of this church and all other professing Christians who regularly attend or fellowship with this church who err in doctrine, or who engage in conduct that violates Scripture as determined by the Board of Directors, shall be subject to church discipline, including dismissal according to Matthew 18:15-18. Before such dismissal, however,
 1. it shall be the duty of any member of this church who has knowledge of the erring individual's heresy or misconduct to warn and correct such erring individual in private, seeking his or her repentance and restoration. If the erring individual does not heed this warning, then
 2. the warning member shall again go to the erring individual, seeking his or her repentance, but accompanied by one or two individuals who shall confirm that the sin has occurred or is continuing to occur, and/or that the erring individual has been appropriately confronted and has refused to repent. The first and second warnings may occur with no specified time interval. If the erring individual still refuses to heed this warning, then
 3. it shall be brought to the attention of the Board of Directors (or a duly appointed Committee of the Board, per Article VII of these Bylaws, at the sole discretion of the Board). If the Board of Directors (or a duly appointed Committee of the Board, per Article VII of these Bylaws, at the sole discretion of the Board) determines—after thorough investigation in accord with the procedures prescribed by pertinent Scripture, including Matthew 18:15-18 and 1 Timothy 5:19—that there is corroborating evidence that the erring individual has sinned or is continuing to sin, that he or she has been appropriately confronted, and that he or she has refused to repent, then the Directors shall inform the church and the congregation thereof at a regularly scheduled worship service in order that the church may call the erring individual to repentance. If the erring individual demonstrates repentance, then notice to that effect may be given at a regularly scheduled worship service. If, however, the erring individual does not repent in response to the church in its collective call to repentance, then
 4. he or she shall be publicly dismissed from the fellowship and/or membership of the church and the congregation thereof at a regularly scheduled worship service. If the erring individual, after such dismissal, heeds the warning, demonstrates repentance, and requests reinstatement before the Board of Directors (or a duly appointed Committee of the Board, per Article VII of these Bylaws, at the sole discretion of the Board), then he or she shall be publicly restored to all the rights, duties, privileges, and responsibilities of fellowship and/or membership.



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- c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Directors in the exercise of their discretion may proceed directly to the third stage of church discipline, (i.e., the informing of the church and the congregation thereof at a regularly scheduled worship service in order that the church may call the erring individual to repentance) or to the fourth stage of church discipline, (i.e., the dismissal from the fellowship and/or membership of the church) when one or more of the following have occurred:
 1. Where the transgression and the refusal to repent have been public, i.e., openly and to the offense of the whole Church (1 Corinthians 5:1-5)
 2. Where the disciplined party has taught or otherwise disseminated doctrine deemed false or erroneous by the Directors, then chosen to disregard the direction and reproof of the elders (Romans 16:17); or
 3. Where the disciplined party has been warned twice to cease from factious and divisive conduct and has chosen to disregard that warning (Titus 3:10-11).
- d) The members of this church, and all other professing Christians who regularly attend or fellowship with this church, agree that there shall be no appeal to any court because of the dismissal or because of public statements to the congregation at the third or fourth stages of church discipline. Members, who are under discipline by the church, as defined in the previous paragraphs, forfeit and waive the right to resign from this church. Resignations from membership are possible only by members who are in good standing and who are not under any disciplinary action.
- e) Separate and apart from the process of church discipline, but subject to the discretion and approval of the Directors (or a duly constituted subcommittee thereof), a member, non-member regular attendee, or other individual may be notified that he or she is not to be present upon church premises for such a period of time as is deemed necessary for the safety and well-being of others on church premises. Such required absence may, but need not, be concurrent with church discipline of that person.
- f) Separate and apart from the process of church discipline, but subject to the discretion and approval of the elders (or a duly constituted subcommittee thereof), the names of any members who have not attended a worship service, Sunday School class session, or Fellowship Group meeting at Kingdom Dining Church for a period of six months or longer may be removed from the membership rolls.

Section 9: Regular Meetings

A regular annual meeting of the church members shall be held at the principal office of the church (as the same shall be from time to time designated in the minutes of the Board) in January of each year. At such regular annual meeting, the members shall consider reports of the affairs of the Corporation, and transact such other business as the Directors determine shall be brought before the meeting, including but not limited to affirmation of the appointments made by the Directors of those who shall serve as Directors for the ensuing year and the election of those qualified in the offices of Elders, Deacons, Deaconesses, and Ushers.

Section 10: Special Meetings

Special meetings of the members may be called at any time by order of the Pastor, the President, or Vice-President of the Board of Directors, or by a quorum of the members of the Board of Directors.

Section 11: Notice of Meetings

Notice of regular meetings shall be given from the pulpit by the Pastor(s) for two (2) successive Sundays prior to the meeting. In addition thereto, notice shall be published in the regular church bulletin for two successive Sundays prior to such meeting. Notice of special meetings shall be given from the pulpit at



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least seven (7) days prior to the meeting and shall also be published in the regular church bulletin on the Sunday immediately preceding the meeting.

Section 12: Quorum

At all meetings of the members, whether regular, special, or adjourned, the members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 13: Voting Rights

Those admitted to church membership do not constitute a legislative body, nor do they constitute members of the Corporation, and they cannot vote, pass resolutions binding upon the Corporation, nor shall they have any equity in the real property of the Corporation, or rights to vote on its disposal. Said property of the Corporation is dedicated to religious and charitable purposes as outlined in Article II of these Bylaws.

ARTICLE VII Committees

Section 1: Committees of Directors

The Board of Directors, by resolution adopted by a majority of the Directors in office, may designate and appoint one or more committees, each of which shall consist of two or more Directors, which committees, to the extent provided in said resolution, shall have and exercise the authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the Corporation, except that no such committee shall have the authority of the Board of Directors in reference to amending, altering or repealing the by-laws; electing, appointing, or removing any member of any such committee or any Director or officer of the Corporation; amending the Articles of Incorporation; restating Articles of Incorporation; adopting a plan of merger or adopting a plan of consolidation with another corporation; authorizing the sale, lease, exchange, or mortgage of all or substantially all of the property and assets of the Corporation; authorizing the voluntary dissolution of the Corporation or revoking proceedings therefore; adopting a plan for the distribution of the assets of the Corporation; or amending, altering, or repealing any resolution of the Board of Directors which by its terms provides that it shall not be amended, altered, or repealed by such committee. The designation and appointment of any such committee and the delegation thereto of authority shall not operate to relieve the Board of Directors, or any individual Director, of any responsibility imposed upon it or him or her by law.

Section 2: Other Committees

Other committees not having and exercising the authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the Corporation may be appointed in such manner as may be designated by a resolution adopted by a majority of the Directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present. Except as otherwise provided in such resolution, members of each such committee shall not be members of the Corporation, and the President of the Corporation shall appoint the members thereof. Any member thereof may be removed by the person or persons authorized to appoint such member whenever in their judgment the best interests of the Corporation shall be served by such removal.

Section 3: Term of Office

Each member of a committee shall continue as such until the next annual meeting of the Directors of the Corporation and until his successor is appointed, unless the committee shall be sooner terminated, or unless such member be removed from such committee, or unless such member ceases to qualify as a member thereof.



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Section 4: Chairman

One member of each committee shall be appointed chairman by the person or persons authorized to appoint the members thereof.

Section 5: Vacancies

Vacancies in the membership of any committee may be filled by appointments made in the same manner as provided in the case of the original appointments.

Section 6: Quorum

Unless otherwise provided in the resolution of the Board of Directors designating a committee, a majority of the whole committee shall constitute a quorum and the act of a majority of the members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the committee.

Section 7: Rules

Each committee may adopt rules for its own government not inconsistent with these by-laws or with rules adopted by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VIII

Other Councils and Committees

Section 1: Elders

The Elders shall consist of members possessing the qualifications described in 1 Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:6-9 and shall be nominated by the Board of Directors. The Elders shall serve for a term of two (2) years. The Elders shall assist the Pastor(s) in the shepherding of the saints, assist at Communion and Baptismal services, aid in the general spiritual care of the church, and perform other duties as assigned by the Board of Directors. He or She shall be a person of dignity, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not fond of sordid gain, holding to the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience, first tested and found above reproach.

Section 2: Deacons

The Deacons shall consist of members possessing the qualifications described in 1 Timothy 3:8-13 and shall be nominated by members of the church. The Board of Directors will compile and confirm the nominations and submit the names to the members for affirmation at the annual meeting. The Deacons shall serve for a term of one (1) year. The Deacons shall assist the Elders in the shepherding of the saints, assist the Pastor at Communion and Baptismal services, aid in the general spiritual care of the church, and perform other duties as assigned by the Board of Directors. A Deacon shall be a man of dignity, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not fond of sordid gain, holding to the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience, first tested and found above reproach.

Section 3: Deaconesses

The Deaconesses shall consist of members possessing the qualifications described in 1 Timothy 3:11 and Titus 2:3-5 and shall be nominated by members of the church. The Board of Directors will compile and confirm the nominations and submit the names to the members for affirmation at the annual meeting. The Deaconesses shall serve for a term of one (1) year. They shall prepare the Communion elements, assist the Pastor at Baptismal services and in the general spiritual care of the church, and shall assist in the care of the sick and needy. A Deaconess shall be dignified, not a malicious gossip, temperate, and faithful in all things.



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Section 4: Ushers

The Ushers shall consist of members to be nominated by members of the church. The Board of Directors will compile and confirm the nominations and submit the names to the members for affirmation at the annual meeting. The Ushers shall serve for a term of one (1) year. They shall act as church ushers, greeters at the door, church collectors, and assist the Pastor(s) in the services in such matters as he deems necessary. An Usher shall meet the qualifications enumerated for a Deacon or Deaconess in Section 2 or 3, respectively, above.

Section 5: Nomination and Selection

Recommendations to fill the offices of Elders, Deacons, Deaconesses, and Ushers shall be requested once a year from all church members. A nominating committee consisting of not less than four members of the pastoral staff shall be appointed by the Board of Directors, who will also designate a chairman of the committee. This committee shall review all nominations and determine each nominee's qualifications. A proposed slate of nominees prepared by the nominating committee shall then be submitted to the Board of Directors, along with any relevant comments.

The Board shall then approve, disapprove, or add to the list of nominees. The Secretary shall publicly post the nominees approved by the Board in alphabetical order at least three weeks prior to the annual meeting of the church members. At this meeting, the slate of nominees shall be presented to the members to affirm the decision of the Board. If the slate of nominees is affirmed, the newly elected Elders, Deacons, Deaconesses, and Ushers shall assume office immediately. Each Elder, Deacon, Deaconess, and Usher shall serve until the next annual meeting.

Section 6: Vacancies

In the event any of the above-mentioned offices becomes vacant during the period between annual elections, the Board of Directors may fill such vacancy for the unexpired term.

ARTICLE IX

Ordination, Licensing, and Commissioning

Section 1: Ordination

Ordination refers to the unanimous recognition by the Board of Directors of a person's call to the ministry, preparation as a shepherd, and qualification to serve. Ordination shall be conferred for life, so long as the person continues to manifest the qualifications of the office.

Section 2: Licensing

The license is issued by the Board of Directors and is given in recognition of a person's call to that ministry. Its aim is to allow a person to perform the ecclesiastical duties and functions of the church. Licenses will be evaluated and issued on a yearly basis.

Section 3: Commissioning

When local-church certification is required for ministry where ordination would be unnecessary or inappropriate, a person is commissioned by the Board of Directors to minister. This authorization continues as long as the opportunity to minister remains in effect and as long as the person maintains the qualifications for ministry.

ARTICLE X

The Pastor(s)

Section 1: Election



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The Pastor(s) shall be selected by the Board of Directors. Each Pastor shall remain in office an indefinite period of time subject to the following reservations: The Board of Directors reserve the right to dismiss each Pastor upon giving him or her one month's written notice of its intention to dismiss. Each Pastor must give one month's notice if he or she intends to resign. The time limit of a Pastor's resignation or dismissal is subject to a lesser time if both the Pastor and the Board by mutual agreement provide otherwise.

Section 2: Duties

Each Pastor shall be an ex officio member of all councils and committees, and he or she shall be responsible to the Board of Directors. Each Pastor shall arrange for and conduct all public and regular services of the church and shall be responsible for general oversight of the spiritual welfare of the church. In the absence of the Pastor, the Board of Directors (or a duly appointed Committee of the Board, per Article VII of these Bylaws, at the sole discretion of the Board), shall be responsible to arrange for the public and regular services of the church.

ARTICLE XI

Settlement of Disputes

In any dispute arising between church members, Pastor(s), or staff pertaining to any matter of spiritual teaching or practices, church finances, or title to property purchased with church contributions, the dispute shall be resolved by the Board of Directors of the church (or a duly appointed Committee of the Board, per Article VII of these Bylaws, at the sole discretion of the Board). A decision shall be reached after prayerful consideration, in a spirit of humility, with each Director regarding one another before himself and striving to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Ephesians 4:1-3).

ARTICLE XII

Contracts, Checks, Deposits, and Funds

Section 1: Contracts

The Board of Directors may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents of the Corporation, in addition to the officers so authorized by these by-laws, to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

Section 2: Checks, Drafts, etc.

All checks, drafts or orders for the payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the Corporation, shall be signed by such officer or officers, agent or agents of the Corporation and in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the Board of Directors. In the absence of such determination by the Board of Directors, such instruments shall be signed by the Treasurer or an Assistant Treasurer and countersigned by the President or Vice President of the Corporation.

Section 3: Deposits

All funds of the Corporation shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Corporation in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as the Board of Directors may select.

Section 4: Gifts

The Board of Directors may accept on behalf of the Corporation any contribution, gift, bequest, or devise for the general purposes or for any special purpose of the Corporation.



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ARTICLE XIII Books and Records

The Corporation shall keep correct and complete books and records of account and shall also keep minutes of the proceedings of its Board of Directors and committees having any of the authority of the Board of Directors. Any Director, or his agent or attorney may inspect all books and records of the Corporation, for any proper purpose at any reasonable time.

ARTICLE XIV Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the Corporation shall begin on January 1 and end on December 31 in each year.

ARTICLE XV Waiver of Notice

Whenever any notice is required to be given under the provisions of the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act or under the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation, a waiver thereof in writing signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice.

ARTICLE XVI Dissolution

Upon dissolution of this Corporation, the Board of Directors shall cause the assets herein to be distributed to another Corporation with purposes similar to that identified in Article II of these Bylaws.

ARTICLE XVII Amendments to By-Laws

These by-laws may be altered, amended, or repealed and new by-laws may be adopted by a majority of the Directors present at any regular meeting or at any special meeting, if at least two days' written notice is given of intention to alter, amend, repeal, or to adopt new bylaws at such meeting.



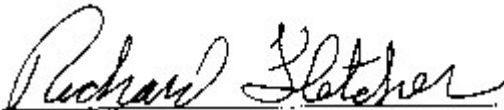
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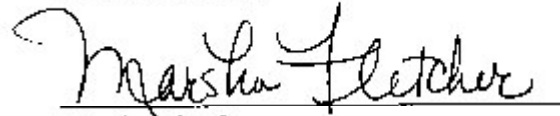
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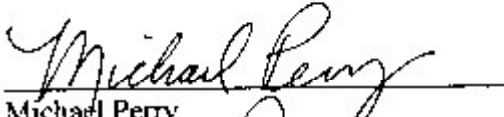
ARTICLE XVIII Adoption of By-Laws

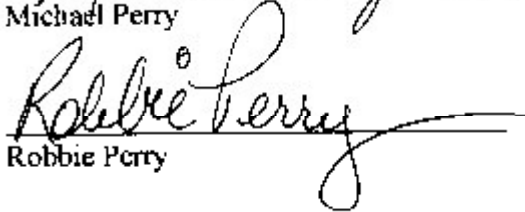
The foregoing Initial By-laws of this Corporation are hereby adopted by the undersigned, being all the Directors of such Corporation named in the Articles of Incorporation on March 26, 2006.




Richard Fletcher


Marsha Fletcher


Michael Perry


Robbie Perry