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### **PREAMBLE**

We believe the Bible to be inspired of God, the infallible Word of God. “All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness” (II Timothy 3:16).

The Bible is the only God-given authority which man possesses; therefore, all doctrine, faith, hope, and all instruction for the church must be based upon, and harmonize with, the Bible. It is to be read and studied by all men everywhere, and can only be clearly understood by those who are anointed by the Holy Spirit (I John 2:27). “No prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man; but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost” (II Peter 1:20-21).

### **FUNDAMENTAL DOCTRINE**

The basic and fundamental doctrine of the general organization shall be the Bible standard of full salvation, which is repentance, baptism in water by immersion in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and the baptism of the Holy Ghost with the initial sign of speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance.

We shall endeavor to keep the unity of the Spirit until we all come into the unity of the faith, at the same time admonishing all brethren that they shall not contend for their different views to the disunity of the body.

### **THE ONE TRUE GOD**

We believe in the one ever-living, eternal God: infinite in power, holy in nature, attributes and purpose; and possessing absolute, indivisible deity. This one true God has revealed Himself as Father; through His Son, in redemption; and as the Holy Spirit, by emanation (I Corinthians 8:6; Ephesians 4:6; II Corinthians 5:19; Joel 2:28).

The Scripture does more than attempt to prove the existence of God; it asserts, assumes and declares that the knowledge of God is universal (Romans 1:19, 21, 28, 32; 2:15). God is invisible, incorporeal, without parts, without body, and therefore free from all limitations. He is Spirit (John 4:24), and “a spirit hath not flesh and bones” (Luke 24:39).

“The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord” (Mark 12:29). (See also Deuteronomy 6:4.) “One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all” (Ephesians 4:6).

Before the incarnation, this one true God manifested Himself in divers ways. In the incarnation, He manifests Himself in the Son, who walked among men. As He works in the lives of believers, He manifests Himself as the Holy Spirit.

### **THE SON OF GOD**

The one true God, the Jehovah of the Old Testament, took upon Himself the form of man, and as the Son of man, was born of the virgin Mary. As Paul says, “And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory” (I Timothy 3:16).

“He came unto his own, and his own received him not” (John 1:11). This one true God was manifest in the flesh, that is, in His Son Jesus Christ. “God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them” (II Corinthians 5:19).

We believe that, “in him [Jesus] dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily” (Colossians 2:9). “For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell” (Colossians 1:19). Therefore, Jesus in His humanity was man; in His deity was and is God. His flesh was the lamb, or the sacrifice of God. He is the only mediator between God and

man. “For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus” (I Timothy 2:5).

Jesus on His Father’s side was divine, on His mother’s side, human; thus, He was known as the Son of God and also the Son of man, or the God-man.

“For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith, all things are put under him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him. And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all” (I Corinthians 15:27-28).

“I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty” (Revelation 1:8). \*

*\*THE SON OF GOD*

*See Position Paper entitled “THE TRUE HUMANITY OF JESUS CHRIST” on page 232 of 2022 UPCI Manual*

### **THE NAME**

God used different titles, such as “God Elohim,” “God Almighty,” “El Shaddai,” “Jehovah,” and especially “Jehovah Lord,” the redemptive name in the Old Testament.

“Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: . . . and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace” (Isaiah 9:6). This prophecy of Isaiah was fulfilled when the Son of God was named. “And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call His name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins” (Matthew 1:21).

“Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved” (Acts 4:12).

### **CREATION OF MAN AND HIS FALL**

In the beginning, God created man innocent, pure, and holy; but through the sin of disobedience, Adam and Eve, the first of the human race, fell from their holy state, and God banished them from Eden. Hence by one man’s disobedience, sin entered into the world (Genesis 1:27; Romans 3:23, 5:12).

### **ATONEMENT**

The Lord Jesus came “to seek and to save that which was lost” (Luke 19:10). This divine act of atonement is dependent on the blood of the Lamb of God and is the foundation that makes salvation possible. For “without the shedding of blood is no remission” (Hebrews 9:22). “In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace” (Ephesians 1:7). “Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood” (Revelation 1:5). Salvation is by grace through faith based on the atonement provided in Jesus Christ by His death, burial, and resurrection. (See Acts 2:38; 20:28.)

### **REPENTANCE**

Pardon and forgiveness of sins is obtained by genuine repentance, a confessing and forsaking of sins. We are justified by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ (Romans 5:1). John the Baptist preached repentance, Jesus proclaimed it, and the apostles emphasized it to both Jews and Gentiles (Acts 2:38, 11:18, 17:30).

The word *repentance* means a change of views and purpose, change of heart, change of mind, change of life, transformation, etc.

Jesus said, “Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish” (Luke 13:3).

Luke 24:47 says, “And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.”

## **WATER BAPTISM**

The scriptural mode of baptism is immersion and is only for those who have fully repented, having turned from their sins and a love of the world. It should be administered by a duly authorized minister of the gospel, in obedience to the Word of God, and in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to the Acts of the Apostles 2:38, 8:16, 10:48, 19:5; thus obeying and fulfilling Matthew 28:19.

## **THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

John the Baptist, in Matthew 3:11, said, “He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire.”

Jesus, in Acts 1:5, said, “Ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.”

Luke tells us in Acts 2:4, “They were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues [languages], as the Spirit gave them utterance.”

The terms “baptize with the Holy Ghost and fire,” “filled with the Holy Spirit,” and the “gift of the Holy Ghost” are synonymous terms used interchangeably in the Bible.

It is scriptural to expect all who receive the gift, filling, or baptism of the Holy Spirit to receive the same physical, initial sign of speaking with other tongues.

The speaking with other tongues, as recorded in Acts 2:4, 10:46, and 19:6, and the gift of tongues, as explained in I Corinthians, chapters 12 and 14, are the same in essence, but different in use and purpose.

The Lord, through the Prophet Joel, said, “I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh” (Joel 2:28).

Peter, in explaining this phenomenal experience, said, “Having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he [Jesus] hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear” (Acts 2:33).

Further, “the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call” (Acts 2:39).

## **DIVINE HEALING**

The first covenant that the Lord (Jehovah) made with the children of Israel after they were brought out of Egypt was a covenant of healing. The Lord said, “If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord [Jehovah-Rapha, the Lord that healeth] thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that healeth thee” (Exodus 15:26).

Our Lord Jesus Christ went about Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing all manner of sickness and disease among the people (Matthew 4:23-24).

“Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever” (Hebrews 13:8).

The vicarious suffering of the Lord Jesus Christ paid not only for the salvation of our souls but also for the healing of our bodies. “With his stripes we are healed” (Isaiah 53:5). Matthew 8:17 reads, “Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.” (See also I Peter 2:24.) We see from this that divine healing for the body is in the atonement.

Jesus said of believers, “They shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.” Later, James wrote in his epistle to all the churches: “Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: and the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him

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up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much" (James 5:14-16).

### **SACRAMENT OR COMMUNION**

On the night of our Lord's betrayal, He ate the Passover supper with His apostles, after which He instituted the sacrament. "And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me. Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you" (Luke 22:19-20).

Paul instructed the church how to observe it (I Corinthians 11:23-34).

Thus was instituted the use of literal bread and the fruit of the vine, which are partaken of literally, as emblems of His broken body and shed blood. There is also a spiritual significance and blessing in partaking of the sacrament.

### **FOOTWASHING**

When the Passover supper was ended, we read in John 13:4-5, "He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself. After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded."

Jesus said, "If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you" (John 13:14-15).

This first example was given by our Lord, and it is a divine institution. It is well to follow His example and wash one another's feet; thus manifesting the spirit of humility.

### **HOLINESS**

Godly living should characterize the life of every child of the Lord, and we should live according to the pattern and example given in the Word of God. "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world" (Titus 2:11-12). "For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth: who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously" (I Peter 2:21-23).

"Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord" (Hebrews 12:14).

"But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy. And if ye call on the Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work, pass the time of your sojourning here in fear: forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot" (I Peter 1:15-19).

We wholeheartedly disapprove of our people indulging in any activities which are not conducive to good Christianity and godly living, such as theaters, dances, mixed bathing or swimming, women cutting their hair, make-up, any apparel that immodestly exposes the body, all worldly sports and amusements, and unwholesome radio programs and music. Furthermore, because of the display of all these evils on television, we disapprove of any of our people having television sets in their homes. We admonish all of our people to refrain from any of these practices in the interest of spiritual progress and the soon coming of the Lord for His church. \*

### **THE GRACE OF GOD**

"For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness

and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world” (Titus 2:11-12).

“For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ” (John 1:17).

“For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: not of works lest any man should boast” (Ephesians 2:8-9).

A Christian must walk with God and keep himself in the love of God (Jude 21) and in the grace of God. When a person transgresses and sins against God and does not repent, he will eventually be lost and cast into the lake of fire. (See John 15:2, 6; II Peter 2:20-21.) Jude speaks of the backsliders of his day, and their reward. (See also Hebrews 6:4-6.)

### **RESTITUTION OF ALL THINGS**

We understand the Scripture to teach the “restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began” (Acts 3:21). But we cannot find where the devil, his angels, and all sinners are included. (See Revelation 20:10).

### **CONSCIENTIOUS SCRUPLES**

Mankind is God’s earthly image bearer as stated in Genesis 1:27: “So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him.” As reflectors of this divine image, human life has been invested with the highest level of intrinsic value. The whole idea of the taking of human life is complicated with a wide variety of complexities. (See Exodus 20:13; Genesis 4:8-10; Numbers 35:6,12.) We recognize the deep and difficult deliberation required in these decisions. We therefore support our members in prayerfully and scripturally exploring their individual responsibility to God in these matters. We therefore honor the right of our members to serve as conscientious objectors and not bear arms. We also encourage those who serve according to their conscience, in any and all capacities, to express courageous loyalty to country while serving in appropriate roles working “heartily, as to the Lord” (Colossians 3:23). \*

#### **\*HOLINESS**

*See Position Papers entitled “HOLINESS” on page 218 “MEDIA TECHNOLOGY” on page 225 “GENDER DISTINCTION” on page 216 of 2022 UPCI Manual*

#### **\*CONSCIENTIOUS SCRUPLES**

*See Position Paper entitled “HUMAN LIFE” on page 222 of 2022 UPCI Manual*

### **SECRET SOCIETIES, ETC.**

According to the Word of God, we firmly believe and hold that the people of God should have no connection whatever with secret societies or any other organization or body wherein there is a fellowship with unbelievers, bound by an oath (James 5:12; II Corinthians 6:14-18).

### **TRANSLATION OF SAINTS**

We believe that the time is drawing near when our Lord shall appear; then the dead in Christ shall arise, and we who are alive and remain shall be caught up with them to meet our Lord in the air (I Thessalonians 4:13-17; I Corinthians 15:51-54; Philippians 3:20-21).

### **MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE**

“Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery” (Matthew 19:9). (See also Matthew 5:32.) When this sin has been committed, the innocent party may be free to remarry only in the Lord. Our desire being to raise a higher standard for the ministry, we recommend that ministers do not marry again. \*

Judgment begins at the house of God.



## TITHING

We believe tithing is God's financial plan to provide for His work, and has been since the days of Abraham. Tithing came with faith under Abraham; Moses' law enjoined it, and Israel practiced it when she was right with God; Jesus indorsed it (Matthew 23:23); and Paul said to lay by in store as God has prospered you. Do not rob God of His portion, viz., tithes and offerings. (Read Malachi 3.)

## SECOND COMING OF JESUS

That Jesus is coming again the second time in person, just as He went away, is clearly set forth by the Lord Jesus Himself, and was preached and taught in the early Christian church by the apostles; hence, the children of God today are earnestly, hopefully, looking forward to the glorious event (Matthew 24; Acts 1:11, 3:19-21; I Corinthians 11:26; Philippians 3:20-21; I Thessalonians 4:14-17; Titus 2:13-14). \*

## THE MILLENNIUM

We believe that the distress upon the earth is the "beginning of sorrows" and will become more intense until there "shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time" (Daniel 12:1). (See also Matthew 24:3-8.) and that period of "tribulation" will be followed by the dawn of a better day on earth and that for a thousand years there shall be "peace on earth and good will toward men." (See Revelation 20:1-5; Isaiah 65:17-25; Matthew 5:5; Daniel 7:27; Micah 4:1-2; Hebrews 2:14; Romans 11:25-27.)

### *\*MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE*

*See Position Papers entitled "THE BIBLICAL IDEAL OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY" on page 204 "THE BIBLICAL VIEW OF HUMAN SEXUALITY" on page 205 of 2022 UPCI Manual*

### *\*SECOND COMING OF JESUS*

*See Position Paper entitled "THE COMING OF THE LORD" on page 213 of 2022 UPCI Manual*

## FINAL JUDGMENT

When the thousand years are finished, there shall be a resurrection of all the dead, who will be summoned before the great white throne for their final judgment, and all whose names are not found written in the Book of Life shall be cast into the lake of fire, burning with brimstone, which God hath prepared for the devil and his angels, Satan himself being cast in first (Matthew 25:41; Revelation 20:7, 15; 21:8).

## PUBLIC SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

We disapprove of school students attending shows, dances, dancing classes, theaters, engaging in school activities against their religious scruples, and wearing gymnasium clothes which immodestly expose the body.

We disapprove of school students being forced to take coeducational classes which involve boys and girls being mixed together in swimming, calisthenics, baseball, and other mixed athletics while clothed in ungodly attire which immodestly exposes the body.

We disapprove of school students being forced to take any classes in which, under the guise of health classes, sex education is taught coeducationally or films or lectures are given that promote amoral or unnatural behavior.

We disapprove of school students being forced to be taught by or listen to those who promote or advocate sexual activity of any kind other than that within the bonds of the marriage relationship of husband and wife.

## RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS

The annual conference is declared to be an international religious holiday for all members, and all members are urged to attend. Furthermore, since the founding of the church occurred on the Day of Pentecost, Pentecost Sunday is also a recognized religious holiday.



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# DISTRICT CONSTITUTION

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## PREAMBLE

*In order to establish our work on a more efficient basis, to promote greater cooperation, and to secure closer fellowship, we here and now organize ourselves into the Indiana District of the United Pentecostal Church.*

## PURPOSE

*Our purpose shall be to use greater effort toward evangelizing the underdeveloped territory, and to care for all needy fields in a more efficient manner.*

## ARTICLE I

### District Officers

#### Section 1. Names of Officers.

The officers of the District shall be as follows: District Superintendent, District Secretary–Treasurer, Sectional Presbyters, and Sectional Secretaries.

#### Section 2. District Board.

The District Board shall consist of the District Superintendent, District Secretary–Treasurer, and the Sectional Presbyters.

#### Section 3. Qualifications.

The qualifications for members of the District Board are as follows: Must be a male at least thirty years of age, must have been a minister in good standing with the organization for at least two years, must have been ordained at least one year, must have proven loyal to the organization by cooperation in the up building of the work, and must have been a cooperating member of the District for at least one year. The only exception to this is the District Superintendent must have been a minister in good standing with the organization for at least five years and must conform to the Fundamental Doctrine. The office of Indiana District Superintendent may have the option of continuing to pastor a church while holding this office, with the salary thereof determined by the District Board.

#### Section 4. Voting Constituency.

1. Those who shall be entitled to vote for the election of officers or upon any proposal, resolution, or any other business that properly comes before the District Conference shall be accredited ministers in good standing. All accredited ministers who vote must be in actual attendance at the District Conference.
2. Those who shall be entitled to vote for the election of officers or upon any proposal, resolution, or any other business that properly comes before the Sectional Conference, shall be accredited ministers in the following categories:
  - A. Pastors
  - B. Assistant pastors and assistants to the pastor
    - (1) No assembly shall be permitted more than one (1) voting assistant pastor or assistant to the pastor who derives his or her livelihood from sources other than the ministry. Assistant pastors or assistants to the pastor, who derive their livelihood from sources other than the ministry, must present a letter to the

Roster Committee from the church where they have been assistant pastors or assistants to the pastor for a minimum of six (6) months. The letter must be signed by the pastor or church secretary and will be in effect as long as he or she remains in the position at the same church.

C. Evangelists

- (1) An evangelist must be on the field and regularly engaged in preaching revivals, deriving his or her livelihood from the ministry.

D. All elected or appointed officials who are listed in the Manual.

E. Honorary ministers

F. Retired ministers

- (1) A retired minister is a minister who, due to advanced age or physical impairment, has retired from active ministry.

G. Full-time administrators and instructors in all religious projects endorsed by the United Pentecostal Church International.

H. Full-time administrators and instructors in Christian schools, owned and operated by our churches.

- (1) All Christian school administrators and instructors must present a letter to the Roster Committee from their local church signed by the pastor or church secretary, stating their active involvement in ministerial service. This letter will be in effect as long as they remain in this position at the same church.

I. Missionaries under appointment.

J. Accredited ministers who are between appointments shall be entitled to vote if the time of inactivity has not exceeded ninety (90) days.

K. All accredited ministers who vote must be in actual attendance at the Sectional Conference.

Section 5. Representation.

Sectional Presbyters are to be elected from the sections they are to represent.

Section 6. Objections to Nominees.

If there is any objection to any nominee, a request may be made to the chairman that the same be referred to a qualifying committee. No objection, nor even question, shall be discussed from the floor.

Section 7. Method of Election.

1. **District Superintendent, District Secretary-Treasurer and Department officials.** Election of the before named District officials by the District Conference shall be the same as that used by the General Conference in its elections of officers.
2. **Presbyters.** A Sectional Conference shall be held bi-annually preceding the District Business Conference. These conferences shall be held in alternating years. Sections 1, 3, 5, and 7 are held consecutively in the odd numbered years and Sections 2, 4, 6, and 8 are held consecutively in the even numbered years. The Sectional Presbyter to serve the Section shall be elected in said Conference and take office at the close of the annual District Conference.
3. **District Business Conference.** The District Business Conference shall be held each year.
4. **The Election.** The General Superintendent or his representative shall conduct the election of District officers.

Section 8. Term of Office.

All officers elected by the District Conference shall remain in office for a period of two years, or until their successors are elected. All elected officers shall be subject to term limits as defined by the Manual of the United Pentecostal

International. In the event a new superintendent is elected in any district, the outgoing superintendent shall continue in office for a period of thirty days following the date of said election. The District Superintendent and the District Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected on alternating years, with the Youth President, the North American Missions Secretary, the Children's Ministries Director, Ladies Ministries President and Global Missions Director being elected the same year as the District Superintendent, and the Youth Secretary, North American Missions Director, Children's Ministries Secretary and Ladies Ministries Secretary being elected the same year as the District Secretary-Treasurer.

**Section 9. Death, Resignation, and Removal.**

1. Any District officer taking a pastorate or establishing a residence outside of his District between conferences must resign his office.
2. If vacancies happen by death, resignation, removal, or establishment of a residence outside of the District, the District Board shall fill such vacancies with the exception of office of District Superintendent, the General Superintendent shall be authorized to preside over District business until the election of a District Superintendent at a special District conference called by the General Superintendent, or an Assistant General Superintendent authorized by the Superintendent, for the purpose of conducting an election to fill this office. Said election shall be held within sixty (60) days after the vacancy occurs.

**Section 10. Sectional Officers.**

All Sectional officers shall be elected by said conference and not by appointment.

**ARTICLE II**

**Rights and Duties of Officers and rules pertaining thereto:**

**Section 1. District Superintendent General Presbyter**

1. He shall be a member of, and shall attend all regular and specially called meetings of the Board of General Presbyters.
2. In the event he is unable to attend a regular or specially called meeting of the Board of General Presbyters, the District Board, should it be in session, shall select one of its members to act as its representative. Should the District Board not be in session, the District Superintendent of said District is authorized to appoint a representative from the District Board.
3. The duties of the District Superintendent shall be:
  - A. To be overseer of the District work in cooperation with the District Board.
  - B. To maintain a spirit of harmony and cooperation between the District and general work, thereby working in harmony and unity with all other districts.
  - C. To encourage the raising of missionary money.
  - D. To assist, when called upon by the pastor or local church board, in dealing with any difficulties, which may arise within local assemblies.
  - E. To assist in securing pastors for assemblies in the District.
  - F. To investigate all applicants of the District for credentials or license before signing the applications.
  - G. To sign each credential, license, fellowship card, and church membership certificate Issued to applicants in the District.
  - H. To preside as chairman of District Conferences.
4. In the furtherance of the work in the district, he shall have the right to appeal to any pastor, evangelist, or missionary who is a member of the District.

5. He must be consulted in regard to the organization of new churches within the District.
6. He shall be empowered to ordain ministers in any District meeting or General Conference.

Section 2. Sectional Presbyters.

1. The duty of the Sectional Presbyter shall be:
  - A. To work under the direction of and in cooperation with the District Superintendent in carrying out District work.
  - B. The Sectional Presbyter shall oversee the work of the section in which he is elected under the supervision of the District Superintendent.
    - (1) He shall preside as chairman of all sectional business meetings.
    - (2) He shall endeavor to maintain a spirit of harmony and cooperation in the section with all departments of the District and General work.
    - (3) He shall be in charge of all sectional fellowship meetings or appoint a chairman to serve in said capacity.
    - (4) He shall notify the District Superintendent of all resignations or impending resignations of pastors in the section, and consult with him concerning any complaints which have been brought to his attention regarding any minister in the section, or any difficulty arising between pastors or churches.
    - (5) He shall assist the District Superintendent in securing pastors for assemblies in his section.
    - (6) As a member of the District Board, he shall examine all applications for license or credentials in his section in advance of their appearance before the District board.
    - (7) He shall supply the District Superintendent with whatever assistance or information he may have which would assist him in carrying out the District work.
    - (8) In the furtherance of the work in his section, he shall have the right to appeal to any minister who is a member of his section.
2. Reimbursement
  - A. Each section shall pay the expenses of the Presbyter incurred in the sectional operation. This would include 10 cents per mile, mailings, phone bills, ect., and that half of the presbyters mileage be paid by the section.

Section 3. District Secretary-Treasurer.

1. The duties of the District Secretary shall be:
  - A. To take minutes of District Conferences and attend District Board meetings. To preserve records of business proceedings and all other papers belonging to the District.
  - B. To make available the District calendar by mailing or posting to the District webpage by September 1 of each year.
2. The duties of the District Treasurer shall be:
  - A. To receive and care for District funds and make all disbursements; to keep an accurate account of all such transactions; to hold the books open for inspection by officers or members of the District: and to make a report at each District Conference.
  - B. No money should be paid out without the consent of the District Board.
3. Compensation
  - A. Compensation of the Secretary-Treasurer of the Indiana District shall be increased to an appropriate level, commensurate with his duties and responsibilities.

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- B. Compensation, along with a yearly cost of living adjustment shall be determined and approved by the Indiana District Board.

Section 4. District Board.

1. The duties of the District Board shall be:
  - A. To take action with regard to false doctrine in the District, so long as the action taken does not conflict with the By-Laws.
  - B. To handle any grievance or complaint against a minister according to Article VII, Section 7, Paragraphs 18-32 and Section 8 and 9 of the General Constitution, and it shall be according to the Judicial Procedure.
  - C. To pass upon all applications for credentials, licenses, or church membership certificates issued in the District.
  - D. To own as trustees, real estate and personal property which may be acquired by purchase, devise or bequest by the District and for the benefit of the District; to use and deal with such real estate and personal property in such a manner as may be consistent with the Constitution and By-Laws of the United Pentecostal Church, to sell, convey, mortgage, pledge and otherwise encumber such real estate and personal property for the benefit of the District, and to authorize, by proper resolution, its District Superintendent and District Secretary-Treasurer to execute and deliver on behalf of the District Board, as trustees, any such deeds of conveyance, notes, mortgages, deeds of trust or pledges.
  - E. To deal with all other matters pertaining to the District which do not infringe upon the power and privileges of the General Body.
  - F. To meet annually with the heads of each District Department for the purpose of imparting guidance, inspiration, and support.

Section 5. Safeguard of Funds.

1. **Centralization of funds.** The Indiana District shall adopt and maintain the centralization of funds and the District Secretary-Treasurer receive and disperse all funds from all departments upon presentation of a voucher. Any questionable matters will be referred to the District Board.
2. **Standardization of books.**
  - A. The financial records of all departments shall be standardized by a uniform system of bookkeeping approved by the District Board.
  - B. The duties of the auditing committee shall be:
    - (1) To secure and audit annually the financial records of every department of the District and Section that receives and disburses funds and shall report their findings to the District prior to the annual District or Sectional conference.
    - (2) To make recommendations to the District Board regarding any improvement of the District bookkeeping system.

Section 6. Business Reports.

1. Each person responsible for submitting business reports in any Sectional or District business meeting, shall submit a copy of his/her written report to the Presbyter and the District Superintendent two weeks prior to said meeting.
2. No reports shall be read from the pulpit except the report of the District Superintendent and the District Secretary-Treasurer.

Section 7. Honorary Membership of the Indiana District Board.

1. A candidate for the position of honorary District board member may be nominated by the District board while District Business Conference is in session.

2. To be eligible for the position of honorary District board member, one must:
  - A. Be at least 60 years of age.
  - B. Have served at least 20 years as a board member.
  - C. The only exception shall be that of the District superintendent whose time of service as District superintendent shall be at least 10 years.
3. They shall be compensated in line with what is given to the present honorary member or members.
4. They shall be accorded the privilege of attending all board meetings but shall not have any voting privileges.

### **Article III**

#### **District Business Conference**

##### Section 1. District Conference.

District Conferences are reserved for conference purposes only, and the day services of the Spring Conference are reserved for business only.

##### Section 2. Resolutions.

1. All resolutions to be presented to the District Conference and all amendments to this Constitution shall first be presented to the Resolutions Committee and such committee shall pass upon such resolutions or amendments prior to the submission thereof to the District Conference.
2. Proper advance notification shall be given to the Indiana District ministerial constituency by publishing in the Indiana District Trumpet (or by such other publication as the District Board shall reasonably determine) a deadline date and address for the submission of resolutions.
3. All resolutions that will be presented to the District Conference shall be presented to all ministers of the Indiana District no later than 30 days prior to the District Conference, with the Resolutions Committee meeting set to accommodate this mailing deadline. Presentation of the resolutions to the ministers of the Indiana District shall be made by mail or by such other reasonable means as the District Board shall determine.
4. The resolutions must have the author's signature before being considered by the Resolutions Committee. If the Resolutions Committee shall fail to act upon such resolution or amendment or shall refuse or fail to report its action thereon to the District Conference, or if the Resolutions Committee shall have failed to report favorably on any such resolution or amendment, then by a vote of two-thirds (2/3 of those in attendance at the District Conference entitled to vote thereat) may force such resolution or amendment to a vote of the District Conference.
5. The District Board may submit resolutions to the Resolutions Committee for consideration while the District Conference is in session. Resolutions presented by the District Board, while the District Conference is in session, shall be published and distributed to the voting constituency in attendance at the District Conference as soon as is practical and if possible before being presented to the District Conference for consideration.

##### Section 3. Rules of Order.

All business in the District Business Conference shall be conducted according to and in harmony with Robert's Rules of Order Revised.

##### Section 4. Reports.

No reports shall be read from the pulpit except the report of the District Superintendent and the District Secretary.

##### Section 5. Parliamentary Committee.



The Indiana District Board shall appoint two licensed men from the Indiana District to become our parliamentarians. The District Board shall be allowed to change the membership of the Parliamentary Committee at will.

## **Article IV**

### **Sectional Conferences**

#### Section 1. Sectional County Divisions.

The Indiana District is divided into the following eight sections:

**Section One** consists of the following counties: Lake, Porter, LaPorte, Starke, Newton, and Jasper.

**Section Two** consists of the following counties: St. Joseph, Elkhart, LaGrange, Steuben, Marshall, Fulton, Kosciusko, Noble, DeKalb, Whitley, and Allen.

**Section Three** consists of the following counties: Benton, Warren, Fountain, Montgomery, Tippecanoe, White, Pulaski, Carroll, Clinton, Boone, Tipton, Howard, Miami, Cass, Wabash and the part of Hamilton County north of state Road 32.

**Section Four** consists of the following counties: Huntington, Wells, Adams, Grant, Blackford, Jay, Madison, Delaware, Randolph, Hancock, Henry, Wayne, Rush, Fayette, and Union.

**Section Five** would consist of the following areas: All of Marion County, the part of Hendricks County east of State Road 267, the part of Hamilton County south of State Road 32 and the part of Morgan County north of state Road 144. Although these state roads go through Avon, Brownsburg, Mooresville, Noblesville and Plainfield these cities are to be considered part of Section Five.

**Section Six** consists of the following counties: Vermillion, Parke, Putnam, Brown, Monroe, Lawrence, Owen, Clay, Vigo, the part of Hendricks County west of State Road 267 and the part of Morgan County south of State Road 144.

**Section Seven** consists of the following counties: Johnson, Shelby, Decatur, Franklin, Dearborn, Bartholomew, Jennings, Ripley, Ohio, Switzerland, Jefferson, Jackson, Scott, Clark and Floyd.

**Section Eight** consists of the following counties in southwestern Indiana: Sullivan, Greene, Knox, Davis, Martin, Orange, Washington, Harrison, Crawford, Dubois, Pike, Gibson, Posey, Vanderburgh, Warrick, Spencer and Perry.

#### Section 2.

1. No minister or other qualified person may be eligible as a candidate for election to any office in a section in which such candidate's primary church ministry or primary church membership is not located, even though such person may sponsor, support, pastor, assist or oversee a daughter work, outreach mission, preaching point, or other outreach or evangelistic effort within such section.
2. In order to qualify as a candidate for election to any office in a section (1) the candidate must be a qualified minister or qualified person meeting all of the requirements contained in the UPCI Manual and (2) the candidate's primary church ministry or primary church membership must be located in the section in which the candidate is elected to serve.
3. No minister shall pay dues in more than one section of the Indiana District.

#### Section 3.

1. Sectional business meetings shall be reserved for the business of the sections only. No department heads shall be in attendance in these meetings for the promotion of their departments.
2. Departmental promotions shall be done by the sectional representative.
3. All departmental promotions shall be done at special meetings and District conferences

Section 4.

1. Each section shall pay the mileage of the District Superintendent and District Secretary-Treasurer to the Sectional Electoral Conference.
2. The section shall also pay one half the amount given the Presbyter to the Sectional-Treasurer for General Conference.

## **Article V**

### **District Financial Policy**

Section 1. Ministerial Dues.

1. Each licensed minister up through age **30 years** shall send **\$50 per month** to the District Secretary-Treasurer on at least a quarterly basis.
2. Each licensed minister from **age 31 to 69 years** shall send **\$85 per month** to the District Secretary-Treasurer on at least a quarterly basis.
3. Each licensed minister from age **70 years and up** shall send **\$50 per month** to the District Secretary-Treasurer on at least a quarterly basis.
4. The District Secretary-Treasurer shall send a statement to each minister at the end of every quarter reporting his or her contribution for that quarter.
5. Enforcement Clause: Ministers failing to keep their District dues current with this financial policy will be notified and given ninety (90) days to remit full, past due payment before a termination notice is issued by certified mail requiring a returned, signed receipt. If a minister receives a termination notice, he or she may be reinstated without meeting the District Board provided that a service fee of \$50 and the delinquent dues are received before the termination date and the reinstatement meets with the District Board's approval. All ministers who are dropped from the Indiana District United Pentecostal Church International for non-payment of District dues shall be required to pay all back dues and a \$50 service fee to the District before being reinstated into the Indiana District United Pentecostal Church International.
6. Pastors with approved North American Missionary status shall be exempt from District dues and from sectional dues during such status.
7. Ministers with honorary license status shall be exempt from District dues and from sectional dues. Honorary/Exempt status is outlined in the UPCI Ministers Manual under: Article VII, Section 7. Number 5. (a) & (b).
8. Evangelist Clause: Evangelists desiring to participate with Article IV Section 4 must comply with the District financial policy.
9. Hardship Clause: Any Minister having a financial difficulty that makes him or her unable to keep dues current shall notify the District Secretary-Treasurer in writing prior to being dropped for non-payment. At such time a committee, appointed by the District Superintendent and approved by the District Board, will take oversight of the matter. The minister may be granted by the committee up to a six-month, one-time deferment of District dues. The committee chair will notify the District Board of any such deferment of dues. Any hardship request necessitating more flexibility than six months must be requested in writing to the District Board. The District Board shall at their discretion issue modifications and/or exemptions from the District dues policy.

Section 2. Sectional Dues.

1. Each minister in the Indiana District shall pay a sectional due to his or her sectional secretary in the amount of \$5.00 per month to be paid in advance on at least a quarterly basis.
2. Ministers failing to keep their sectional dues current are not eligible to vote and shall be notified by a final notice statement that they have thirty (30) days during which time remittance may be made before a ministerial termination notice is issued.

3. If a minister receives a termination notice, he or she may be reinstated provided remittance plus a \$5.00 service fee is received within twenty (20) days of termination date and the reinstatement meets with District approval. Otherwise, the minister must complete a new application form and appear before the District Board before he or she can be reinstated.

**Section 3. Annual Campground Offering.**

1. All local churches of the Indiana District should receive a Campground offering each year before June 1 for the purpose of camp maintenance.
2. The offering should be sent annually to the Camp Comptroller, who may write a letter of reminder each year during May.

**Section 4. Conference expense help for Evangelists.**

1. Ten percent of the District ministerial fund shall be set aside yearly to help full time evangelists of the District attend the annual General Conference.
2. Each full-time Evangelist, licensed with the Indiana District, paying one hundred percent (100%) of their tithing into the District, and meeting all the qualification according to the Indiana District, may receive an amount equivalent to fifty percent (50%) of the tithing paid into the district, or the minimum amount of \$800.00, whichever is greater, for the General Conference, and also be in full support of sectional dues.
3. An evangelist may in case of hardship request to receive cash payment of his funds in lieu of attending the Conference.
4. In order to qualify for this assistance an evangelist must:
  - A. Derive his livelihood from the evangelistic ministry.
  - B. Be on the evangelistic field by January 1 of the Conference year.
  - C. Preach revivals for at least twenty-six weeks per year.
  - D. He must have been a cooperating member of the Indiana District for one year prior to the General Conference.

**Section 5. Expense Reimbursements for District Officials.**

Any church needing the help of the District Board should reimburse the District for the expenses.

**Section 6. District Superintendent's Salary.**

The District Board shall determine the salary of the District Superintendent.

**Section 7. National Fund-Raising Offering.**

All Departments of the Indiana District, when sending a national fund-raising offering to the United Pentecostal Church International World Headquarters, shall abide by the following:

1. The amount reported by the Division and sent to the United Pentecostal Church International World Headquarters shall be the actual amount of cash on hand at the time of reporting.
2. Any moneys received after that date shall be applied to the next year's offering.

**Section 8. Where to send fees and specially designated offerings.**

1. Annual budget fees should be sent directly to the headquarters office of the United Pentecostal Church International.
2. Sectional Dues should be sent directly to the Sectional Secretary-Treasurer.
3. District ministerial tithes of \$35.00 minimum should be sent to the District Secretary-Treasurer.

4. North American Missions offerings are to be sent to the North American Missions Secretary-Treasurer.
5. Move The Mission offerings should be sent to the District Youth Secretary-Treasurer.
6. Global Missions offerings to the United Pentecostal Church headquarters are to be sent to the Global Missions Department.
7. Mother's Memorial offerings should be sent to the Ladies Ministries Secretary.
8. Save Our Children offerings are to be sent to the Children's Ministries Secretary.
9. All Insurance premiums are payable to General Headquarters of the United Pentecostal Church, International

## **ARTICLE VI**

### **District Children's Ministries Policy**

The Children's Ministries Department of the Indiana District adheres to the policy of the Children's Ministries Department as set forth in the Manual of the United Pentecostal Church International, General Constitution, Article XIV.

## **ARTICLE VII**

### **District Global Missions Policy**

The Global Missions Department of the Indiana District adheres to the policy of the General Global Missions Division as set forth in the Manual of the United Pentecostal Church International, General Constitution, Article XI.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### **District Ladies Ministries Policy**

The Ladies Ministries Department of the Indiana District adheres to the policy of the General Ladies Ministries Division as set forth in the Manual of the United Pentecostal Church International, General Constitution, Article XV.

Ladies who are licensed ministers and/or wives of licensed ministers of the Indiana District, shall nominate three (3) candidates (or one (1) candidate if that name receives a nominating majority) during the annual Indiana District Conference for the offices of Ladies Ministries Indiana District President and/or Ladies Ministries Indiana District Secretary, to be presented to the Indiana District Conference body for an election.

## **ARTICLE IX**

### **District North American Missions Policy**

Section 1. Name.

The name of this Department shall be called the Indiana North American Missions Department.

Section 2. Purpose.

1. Whereas there is a great need to extend the gospel to neglected and un-evangelized areas of the Indiana District, and create a framework of operation in which our entire constituency can participate, the purpose of the Indiana District North American Missions Department shall be church growth in Indiana by:
  - A. Opening and establishing new churches in unchurched and under churched areas of Indiana.
  - B. Appointing, training, and guiding Indiana North American missionaries.
  - B. Raising funds for approved projects and department initiatives.

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- C. Enlisting pastors and local churches in church expansion.
  - D. Executing the programs and ministries of the General Division of North American Missions.
  - E. Promoting North American Missions throughout the District at functions, such as meetings, services, conferences, camps, etc.
  - F. Having a District North American Missions Board consisting of the department Director, Secretary-Treasurer, Promotions Director, and Sectional Directors.

### Section 3. Mission

Indiana North American Missions is the church growth/revival department of the Indiana District. The NAM committee strives to, working through approved people and churches, fulfill the Great Commission, which is to preach and teach the gospel to all people.

### Section 4. Officers

The Indiana District shall have a District North American Missions Director, a District North American Missions Secretary-Treasurer, one Sectional Director from each section, a District North American Missions Promotional Director, and an Evangelist Coordinator (not a board member).

### Section 5. Director

#### 1. Qualifications

- A. Shall be at least thirty years of age, must have been a minister in good standing with the United Pentecostal Church International for at least two (2) years, and must have been ordained at least one (1) year.
- B. Must have been a member of the Indiana District for at least one (1) year.
- C. Must have proven loyal to the organization and the cause of North American Missions.
- D. Must conform to the Fundamental Doctrine of the United Pentecostal Church International.
- E. Shall be elected by the District Conference for a two-year term, alternating with District Superintendent.

#### 2. Duties

- A. Oversee and promote the North American Missions program throughout the District.
- B. Work in harmony with and attend meetings of the General North American Missions board.
- C. Serve as chairman of the Indiana North American Missions Board.
- D. Lead in raising of funds for North American Missions programs in initiatives.
- E. Obtain all necessary materials to promote North American Missions in the District.
- F. Report to and work under the supervision of the District Board.
- G. Make an annual written report to the District Conference.

### Section 6. Secretary-Treasurer

#### 1. Qualifications

- A. Must have been a minister in good standing with the United Pentecostal Church International for at least one (1) year.
- B. Must have been a member of the Indiana District for at least one (1) year.
- C. Must have proven loyal to the organization and the cause of North American Missions
- D. Must conform to the Fundamental Doctrine of the United Pentecostal Church International.

- E. Shall be elected by the District Conference for a two-year term, alternating with the District North American Mission Director.

2. Duties

- A. Take minutes of District North American Missions meetings and preserve District North American Missions records.
- B. Oversee the District North American Missions funds, which shall be deposited with and disbursed by the District Secretary-Treasurer.
- C. Receive all department funds when not in conflict with existing District Policy and write North American Missions vouchers as directed by the District North American Missions Director, District Board, and District North American Missions Board.
- D. Report to and work under the supervision of the District North American Missions Director.
- E. Make an annual financial report to the District Board.
- F. Keep record of all monetary transactions, making the books and records available at all times to the Director, District North American Missions Board, and District Board.

Section 7. Sectional Directors

1. Qualifications

- A. Shall hold a license with the United Pentecostal Church International, and be a member in good standing.
- B. Elected by the ministers of their sections, for a term of two years.
- C. Must have proven loyal to the organization and the cause of North American Missions.
- D. Must conform to the Fundamental Doctrine of the United Pentecostal Church International.

2. Duties

- A. Promote sectional growth through the planting of new churches and daughter works and related activities.
- B. Work in cooperation with and under the supervision of the District North American Missions Director.
- C. Work in harmony with and under the supervision of the Sectional Presbyter.
- D. Attend all duly called meetings of the District North American Missions Board.
- E. Lead the section in raising funds for North American Mission.
- F. Maintain monthly contact with sectional missionaries.
- G. Support the initiatives and programs of the Indiana North American Missions Department.

Section 8. Promotional Director

1. Qualifications

- A. Shall hold a license with the United Pentecostal Church International, and be a member in good standing.
- B. Must have proven loyal to the organization and the cause of North American.
- C. Must conform to the Fundamental Doctrine of the United Pentecostal Church International.
- D. Appointed by the North American Mission Director, ratified by the North American Mission board, and finalized by the District Board.
- E. Serve at the discretion of the director.
- F. Term will automatically end with the election of a new director.

2. Duties

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- A. Work in harmony with the Indiana North American Missions department.
  - B. Attend the meetings of the Indiana North American Mission department.
  - C. Promote and communicate the mission and the purpose of this department.
  - D. Work in cooperation with and under the supervision of the District North American Missions Director.
  - E. May participate in all discussions but is not extended voting privileges.

## Section 9. Evangelist Coordinator

### 1. Qualifications

- A. Shall hold a license with the United Pentecostal Church International, and be a member in good standing.
- B. Must have proven loyal to the organization and the cause of North American Missions.
- C. Must conform to the Fundamental Doctrine of the United Pentecostal Church International.
- D. Appointed by the North American Mission Director, ratified by the North American Mission board and finalized by the District Board.
- E. Serve at the discretion of the director.
- F. Term will automatically end with the election of a new director.

### 2. Duties

- A. Work in harmony with the Indiana North American Missions department.
- B. Work in cooperation with and under the supervision of the District North American Missions Director.
- C. Notify pastors of available UPCI evangelists based in the Indiana District and UPCI evangelists who are ministering in the Indiana District.
- D. Maintain current contact information for evangelists based in the Indiana District.

## Section 10. Finances.

1. Income: to finance the Indiana North American Missions program the following applies.
  - A. Each church and/or pastor will be encouraged to support and participate in the departments fundraising and offerings.
  - B. All income is to be submitted to the North American Missions Secretary-Treasurer who will see that the District Secretary-Treasurer receives the money in a timely manner.
2. Expenditures: all money raised under the banner of North American Missions shall be used exclusively by Indiana North American Missions.
  - A. Ten percent (10%) of all undesignated offerings will be sent to the General North American Missions Division.
  - B. Sixty percent (60%) of the annual Christmas for Christ offering will be sent to the General North American Missions Division.
3. Incurred expenses serving the North American Missions Department are to be reimbursed.
4. Any individual who solicits funds for a North American Missions church or project must have a letter of permission from the District North American Missions board.
5. A permanent endowment named Indiana NAM Endowment Fund is through United Pentecostal Church Foundation.
  - A. The endowment fund is for the exclusive use of the Indiana North American Missions department.

- B. The endowment income is used at the discretion of the Indiana North American Missions Board with consent of the Indiana District Board.
- C. The purpose of the endowment will be to provide funding for Indiana North American Missions projects, programs, and events.
- D. A minimum of 5% of the 40% Christmas for Christ offering retained or other nonspecific funds raised shall be deposited each year in the endowment fund.
- E. A maximum of 50% of the previous year's endowment fund interest can be included in the annual budget of this department. Any greater amount must receive a waiver from the District board.

Section 11. North American Missions Work.

- 1. Is defined as a new church plant with the status lasting five (5) years.
- 2. An existing church can apply for North American Missions status if it is a matter of the church's survival. Approval for NAM status for existing churches must come from the North American Missions Board and the District Board.

Section 12. The Missionary.

- 1. The applicant must be licensed with the United Pentecostal Church and in good standing.
  - A. Submit an application to the North American Missions Director.
  - B. The Application shall specify an exact location for the new work.
- 2. The director shall forward copies of the application to the District Superintendent and the Sectional Presbyter.
  - A. The Director or Presbyter shall notify the pastor and neighboring pastors, in the same town/city, or nearby location, of the application for feedback. Any exception is at the discretion of the Presbyter and District Superintendent.
- 3. The District NAM Director will make the missionary application available to both the members of the NAM and District boards for their board meetings. The applicant must appear in person before each board.
- 4. The North American Missions board will vote to approve or disapprove the application. If the applicant is approved the North American Missions Director will schedule a meeting with the District Board.
  - A. The District Board has the final vote on whether the applicant is given North American Missions status and allowed to start a church.
  - B. If approved, the District Board may establish a permitted radius or boundary in which the work can locate. Any proposed move outside of this approved area will need additional approval from the District Board.
- 5. The missionary must maintain a Christian code of conduct and be ethical in all his or her affairs.
  - A. Cannot receive a member from another neighboring church for the first year of being established as a church.
  - B. Must notify a neighboring pastor if one of his or her members visit.
  - C. Cannot receive any funds from a member of another church without the consent of the member's pastor.
  - D. May not proselytize for any reason.
  - E. No socializing with a member of another church without his or her pastor's permission.
- 6. Violation of the above terms can affect the status and the support of the missionary.
- 7. The missionary is to strive to participate in sectional and District functions and business.
- 8. Financially support, when possible, the various departments of the District.
- 9. Participate in training and any events designed for their benefit.



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10. The North American Missions Board reserves the right to stop support at any time for ethics, conduct violations or doctrinal changes.

### Section 13. Financial Assistance and Procedures.

1. A church or pastor under North American Missions status is eligible for financial assistance from the District North American Missions department. When pastors or churches desire financial assistance they shall make written application using the appropriate form provided by the department.
2. Funds may be distributed by the North American Missions Board in the form of a loan, grant, monthly support, offering, or any other way deemed suitable by the Indiana North American Missions Board.
3. Funds can be given to assist missionaries and North American Mission churches with personal needs, church needs, or any other reason deemed suitable by the Indiana North American Missions Board.
4. A church must be on location at least six (6) months before receiving funds. The North American Missions Board may request the Indiana District board waive this requirement.
5. The North American Missions Board shall investigate each request before allocating money.
6. All churches receiving funds must be affiliated with the United Pentecostal Church International and be incorporated under the incorporation laws of the State of Indiana.
7. It is the responsibility of the North American Missions Board to implement the following safeguards:
  - A. To see that funds are properly used as requested.
  - B. To see that a lien is attached to any funds loaned.
  - C. Unless otherwise specified, loans will be considered interest-free and repaid in monthly installments.
  - D. A lien contract will include two of the following signatures and two of the following must be on the church board until the money loaned is paid in full: District Superintendent, District North American Missions Director, District North American Missions Secretary-Treasurer, or Sectional Presbyter.
  - E. This arrangement shall be in place until the money borrowed or loaned is paid in full.
  - F. At such time when the assembly desires to elect their own trustees or directors, they will apply for such permission to the District Board through the District North American Missions Director.
8. A missionary may be required to submit a report in order to receive assistance

### Section 14. Daughter Churches.

1. A Daughter Church is a congregation, which has met at least three months, is the result of the concerted efforts of an established mother church to plant a new congregation, holds at least one service per week apart from the mother church, and is under the general oversight of the pastor of the Mother Church. A Daughter Church must have the approval of the District North American Missions executive committee and the District Board. The District North American Missions Director shall provide a list of approved daughter congregations to Church Administration annually.
  - A. The Mother Church assumes all responsibility for financial, spiritual, ethical and leadership support of the Daughter Work.
2. Any Pastor wishing to begin a Daughter Work must submit an application to the District North American Missions Director.
  - A. The application will specify an exact location for the Daughter Church.
  - B. If approved, the District Board may establish a permitted radius or boundary in which the work can locate. Any proposed move outside of this approved area will need additional approval from the District Board.
3. The North American Missions Director shall contact the District Superintendent, Sectional Presbyter, and North American Missions Sectional Director regarding the application.

- A. After any necessary due diligence with neighboring pastors the North American Missions Director will schedule a meeting with the District Board.
4. The North American Missions Director will make the application available to the District Board members.
5. The District Board has the final vote on whether the applicant can start a Daughter Church.
6. After approval the Mother Church has six (6) months to begin services. If services are not started, the approval is nullified.
7. The missionary must maintain a Christian code of conduct and be ethical in all his or her affairs.
  - A. Cannot receive a member from another neighboring church for the first year of being established as a church.
  - B. Must notify a neighboring pastor if one of his or her members visit.
  - C. Cannot receive any funds from a member of another church without the consent of the member's pastor.
  - D. May not proselytize for any reason.
  - E. No socializing with a member of another church without his or her pastor's permission.

#### Section 15. Preaching Points.

1. A preaching point is a regular service or meeting distinct from the Mother Church as it pertains to location OR language.
  - A. A preaching point is designed to reach people who are currently un-churched. The regular service or meeting is seen as a first step toward possibly starting a Daughter Church.
  - B. The definition of a preaching point does not include a church having a service in a prison, nursing home, jail, on a college campus or in any other institutional setting.
2. The existence of a preaching point in a town/city does not preclude another church from applying to start another preaching point, Daughter Church, or autonomous church in the same town/city.
3. To establish a preaching point the pastor of the mother church must contact the District North American Missions Director who will notify the Presbyter(s) and District Superintendent for approval. A preaching point in a section different than the mother church must be approved by both presbyters in addition to the North American Missions director and the District Superintendent.

#### Section 16. Church-In-A-Day.

1. The purpose of the Church-In-A-Day program is to assist North American Mission churches with their church building needs.
2. A Church-In-A-Day Director will be appointed by the North American Mission Director, ratified by the North American Missions Board, and approved by the District Board.
  - A. The Church-In-A-Day Director has the oversight of the project from the beginning through completion.
  - B. He or she is responsible to make sure needed materials are available, for recruiting volunteer contractors, qualified tradesmen, skilled and unskilled labor as well as assuring the local congregation has all necessary information to meet expected deadlines.
3. To gain approval for the Church-In-A-Day the church must be affiliated with the United Pentecostal Church and in good standing.
4. Must submit an application to the North American Missions Director who must get the approval of the District North American Mission Church-In-A-Day Director and then present it to the District Board for approval.
5. Church-In-A-Day buildings can be built for non-North American Missions status churches for a fee.
  - A. Any non-North American Missions status church that has a Church-In-A-Day built will donate to Indiana North American Missions a minimum of \$10,000 or 10% of labor cost (whichever is greater). This is to be

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- paid three (3) months prior to construction and deposited in the Indiana North American Missions endowment fund established through the United Pentecostal Church Foundation.
- B. Fee costs should be reviewed every five (5) years in years divisible by five (5).
  - C. All churches receiving a Church-In-A-Day must be affiliated with the United Pentecostal Church International and be incorporated under the incorporation laws of the State of Indiana.
6. A “subordinate” lien must be recorded for labor on all Church-In-A-Day buildings. This will be a separate lien and will represent an amount equal to the labor cost for the project. The lien must be attached to Church-In-A-Day buildings to help in preventing a church leaving the fellowship of the United Pentecostal Church for a time period of ten (10) years after the Church-In-A-Day project is completed. A revisionary clause, or a second mortgage clause, due and payable on the breaking of the labor clause may be acceptable.
  7. The Indiana North American Missions Department will cover half (50%) of the cost of the lien up to \$1000 for a Church-In-A-Day building for a church with North American Missions status. All other churches must pay this fee without the assistance of the Indiana North American Missions Department.
  8. Two of the following will be designated as trustees or directors on the church board when a Church-In- A-Day is built: Sectional Presbyter or North American Missions Director, North American Missions Secretary-Treasurer, or the District Superintendent.
    - A. This arrangement will be in place for whichever is longer: ten (10) years or until the value of the labor received is paid in full.
  9. The labor lien will be exercised in the event the Church-In-A-Day recipient congregation was to disaffiliate from the United Pentecostal Church. At the same time such church would vote to disaffiliate, the total sum value of the labor lien would become due and payable in full.

#### Section 17. New Church Plant.

1. A New Church Plant references a work that is not a daughter church, a preaching point, or a target city church.
2. Any Pastor wishing to begin a New Church Plant must submit an application to the Director of the Indiana District North American Missions division.
  - A. The application will specify an exact location for the New Church Plant.
  - B. If approved, the District Board may establish a permitted radius or boundary in which the work can locate. Any proposed move outside of this approved area will need additional approval from the District Board.
3. The North American Missions Director shall contact the District Superintendent, Sectional Presbyter, and North American Missions Sectional Director regarding the application.
  - A. After any necessary due diligence with neighboring pastors the North American Missions Director will schedule a meeting with the District Board.
4. The North American Missions Director will make the application available to the District Board.
5. The District Board has the final vote on whether the applicant can start a New Church Plant.
6. After approval the Pastor of the New Church Plant has six (6) months to begin services. If services are not started, the approval is nullified.
7. The pastor/missionary of the Church Plant must maintain a Christian code of conduct and be ethical in all his or her affairs.
  - A. Cannot receive a member from another neighboring church for the first year of being established as a church.
  - B. Must notify a neighboring pastor if one of his or her members visit.
  - C. Cannot receive any funds from a member of another church without the consent of the member’s pastor.
  - D. May not proselytize for any reason.

- E. No socializing with a member of another church without his or her pastor's permission.

Section 18. Target Cities.

1. Target Cities are approved areas by the North American Missions Board and District Board that do not have a United Pentecostal Church.
  - A. To become a Target City or Town the North American Missions Board submits a request to the District Board. The Target City or Town becomes a Target City upon approval.
3. The purpose of Target Cities is to expedite the process of getting missionaries on location to start a church instead of having them wait until a board meeting for approval.
4. To qualify to start a church in a Target City a North American Missions application must be completed and sent to the North American Mission Director.
  - A. The applicant must be licensed with the United Pentecostal Church and in good standing.
  - B. The Director will forward copies of the application to the District Superintendent and the Sectional Presbyter.
  - C. After any due diligence considered necessary, if the NAM Director, District Superintendent, and Sectional Presbyter are in agreement, North American Mission status will be granted to start a church.

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## **ARTICLE X**

### **District Youth Policy**

#### Section 1. Name.

The members of this department shall be called “Indiana District Youth.”

#### Section 2. District Officers.

1. District Officers of the Indiana District Youth Department shall be:
  - A. President
  - B. Secretary-Treasurer
  - C. Promotions Director
  - D. Bible Quizzing Director
  - E. Hyphen Director

#### Section 3. Election and Appointment of Officers.

1. The District Conference elects the President and Secretary-Treasurer for a term of two years. Each term shall be for two years, and will alternate, the Youth President with the District Superintendent and the Youth Secretary-Treasurer with the District Secretary-Treasurer. When there is a change in District Youth President, the term of the outgoing District Youth President shall continue until the close of the United Pentecostal Church General Conference in the year of the change.
2. In the event the Indiana District Conference is moved to any date before June 1, the transfer of power of this office would revert to being concurrent with all other District and Sectional offices.
3. The Youth Promotions Director, Bible Quizzing Director, and Hyphen Director are nominated by the District Youth President and District Youth Secretary to the District Board for their approval and appointment, and the Youth Promotions Director, Bible Quizzing Director, and Hyphen Director serve at the discretion of the District Youth President and District Youth Secretary.
  - a. All appointments are nullified upon the election of the Youth President.

#### Section 4. Qualifications.

1. Must be under his 36th birthday, licensed or ordained.
2. Must be a member of Indiana District at least one year.

#### Section 5. Duties of Officers.

1. Duties of the President shall be:
  - A. To preside over all District Youth service and to enthusiastically promote the Youth Work on the District basis.
  - B. To aid Sectional Directors in youth work under the supervision of the District Superintendent and to foster unity within the District
  - C. To call and preside over all Committee Meetings of the District Youth Department.
  - D. The President shall endeavor to visit each Section and Rally, whenever possible, at the request of the Sectional Director.
  - E. He shall serve as Chairman of the Youth Committee of all camps sponsored by the District Youth Department.
2. Duties of the Secretary-Treasurer shall be:

- A. To take minutes at all Youth Committee meetings and to preserve records of the District Youth Department.
  - B. To receive and care for all Youth funds and to make disbursements, to keep accurate records of all such transactions, to make a financial report at the Spring District Conference.
  - C. The books of the District Youth Secretary-Treasurer shall be audited once each year by the District Auditing Committee and finally passed upon by the District Board.
  - D. To represent the Youth Department and to assist in the work of the department whenever called upon by the District President.
2. Promotional Director
    - A. Must meet the qualifications in correspondence with the other youth Committee members
    - B. Work in harmony with the Indiana Youth Department.
    - C. Attend the meetings of the Indiana Youth Department.
    - D. Promote and communicate the mission and the purpose of the Department.
    - E. Work in cooperation with and under the supervision of the District Youth President.
    - F. May participate in all discussions but is not extended voting privileges.
  2. Bible Quizzing Director
    - A. Work in harmony with the Indiana Youth Department
    - B. Work in cooperation with and under the supervision of the District Youth President.
    - C. Plan and promote District Bible Quizzing events in the state and facilitate District Bible Quizzing tournaments and finals.
    - D. To develop teamwork and a good attitude in competition.
    - E. To encourage Bible knowledge and memorization among our Youth through the age of 18.
  3. Hyphen Director
    - A. Work in harmony with the Indiana Youth Department
    - B. Work in cooperation with and under the supervision of the District Youth President.
    - C. Plan and promote District Hyphen events in the state.

Section 6. Committees.

1. District Youth Committees.
  - A. This committee shall be composed of the District President, Secretary-Treasurer, and the Sectional Youth Directors.
  - B. Duties of the District Youth Committee shall be:
    - (1) To assist and counsel the District President in all matters pertaining to the District Youth Work,
    - (2) To assist the District President in any necessary business throughout the year, and
    - (3) To enthusiastically represent the District and carry out the Youth Program in their Sections or Rallies.
2. Executive Youth Camp Committee.
  - A. This committee shall be composed of the District Youth President, Youth Secretary-Treasurer, the District Superintendent, and the Youth Camp principals. Duties of the Executive Youth Camp Committee shall be to appoint all Youth Camp Staff Members and give direction to all Youth Camp planning for the current year.

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**Section 7. District Board Liaison.**

1. The District Youth Department requests the District Superintendent appoint one member of the District Board as liaison member to the Youth Department.
2. This Liaison will attend all Youth Committee Meetings. He will at all times be completely informed regarding all youth work and will be able to knowledgeably represent the Youth Department before the District Board in all matters.
3. The District Board Liaison's expense for all Youth Meetings will be paid by the District Youth Secretary-Treasurer.

**Section 8. Section Organization.**

1. Officers.
  - A. Sectional officers shall be a Sectional Youth Director-
2. Election and appointments.
  - A. The Sectional Youth Director shall be elected by the Sectional Conference for a term of two years or until a successor is chosen.
3. Qualifications.
  - A. The Sectional Youth Director must hold license or credentials with the United Pentecostal Church, be in good standing in the District, and be under his or her 36th birthday unless, in special cases, the District Board agrees to lift the age limit.
4. Duties of the Sectional Officers.
  - A. Director.
    - (1) To cooperate with the pastors in promoting Youth Work in the churches throughout his section.
    - (2) To be in charge of Sectional rallies.
    - (3) He shall be under the supervision of the Sectional Presbyter, and is chargeable to the District President at all times.
    - (4) He shall be expected to attend all duly called meetings of the District Youth Committee.
5. Sectional Youth Funds.
  - A. All offerings from the Sectional Youth Rallies are to be deposited in the Sectional Youth Treasury.

**Section 9. Youth Rally Organization.**

1. Youth Rally Organization.
  - A. Youth rallies shall be established on a section wide basis, or in the case of larger sections, the section could implement two rallies instead of one in the section. Youth rallies shall be held in each section once each quarter of the year.
  - B. Youth rallies shall be held in four different areas of the section each year- The Sectional Youth Director with approval of the Sectional Presbyter and the host pastor shall select the locations. The Sectional Youth Director shall be responsible to direct the youth rally from planning to completion. All plans shall be subject to approval by the Sectional Presbyter and the host pastor. The Sectional Youth Director shall choose the speaker with approvals from both the Presbyter and the host pastor. The Sectional youth rally and its Director shall be expected to cooperate fully with the District Youth endeavors.
    - (1) The Sectional Youth Director, the Sectional Presbyter, and the host pastor shall pursue due diligence in knowing the present status and qualifications of all speakers considered to speak at Sectional Youth Rallies.

Section 10. Youth Rally Finance.

1. A sectional youth rally treasury shall be established for the sole purpose of taking care of rally expenses.
2. The Sectional Youth Director shall maintain a checking account in the name of the Indiana District UPCI – Section # (and the number should coordinate with the section he or she represents) with both his or her and the Sectional Secretary’s names on the account.
3. The treasury shall be maintained through the offerings received at the quarterly rallies.
4. The Sectional Youth Director shall make a complete financial report to his or her Sectional Presbyter and the District Youth Secretary two weeks before his or her Sectional Conference.

**ARTICLE XI**

**Education and Endorsement**

Section 1.

The Indiana District Conference unanimously endorses Indiana Bible College.

Section 2.

The United Pentecostal Church, International endorsed Indiana Bible College, Seymour, Indiana, January 16, 1981 through its Board of Education and Board of General Presbyters.

**ARTICLE XII**

**Editorial**

Section 1. District Manual.

1. The Indiana District shall publish a District Manual every two years – this may be fulfilled with digital publishing.
2. The District Manual shall contain up-to-date records of district policies, resolutions, finances, and ministerial and church information.
3. Any changes to the manual must be made by a simple majority vote of the conference body.
4. A standing committee shall be appointed by the District Superintendent to incorporate changes made by the District Conference, update, and present the Indiana District Manual to the District Board for approval prior to publishing bi-annually.

Section 2. Recorded Audio and Video.

1. All recorded audio and video at any District function shall be the property of the Indiana District United Pentecostal Church, Inc.
2. All proceeds from the sale of such productions shall be retained by the Indiana District UPC, Inc. at the camp ground.
3. All recorded audio and video shall be copyrighted to the extent possible for the future protection of said recordings and the integrity of the Indiana District UPC, Inc.

**ARTICLE XIII**

**Spanish Evangelism Ministry**

Section 1. Purpose and Principles.



1. Purpose: Within the borders of Indiana reside many people who speak Spanish exclusively or primarily and prefer to attend worship services conducted in Spanish. Since our mandate is to preach the whole gospel to the whole world, it is necessary for us to develop a strategy to reach these people. The purpose of the Indiana District Spanish Ministry of the United Pentecostal Church International is as follows:
  - A. Evangelize and disciple Spanish-speaking people in Indiana.
  - B. Encourage the planting of churches that minister in the Spanish language.
  - C. Train and equip Spanish-speaking ministers.
  - D. Encourage English-speaking ministers and churches to assist in the efforts to reach out to Spanish-speaking people with the gospel.
  - E. Assist Spanish-speaking believers, ministers, and churches in functioning as integral members of Indiana District UPCI.
2. Spanish Ministry is organized on the basis of language, not race, national origin or culture.
3. This policy applies only to Indiana activities. With regard to national and International activities, Indiana ministers shall follow the policy of the United Pentecostal Church International.
4. Spanish speaking ministers remain an integral part of Indiana with the same privileges and responsibilities as other ministers, including voting and holding office.
5. Nothing in this policy alters the District Constitution or the General Constitution.
6. All district Spanish Ministry programs shall be under the direction of the Indiana District Board.

## Section 2. Voting and Holding Office

1. For the elections of Spanish Ministry director and Spanish Ministry secretary, and all other elected offices, the voting constituency shall be licensed ministers of Indiana who minister to the Spanish speaking community (see paragraph 3 for detailed definition) (The minister must have met with and been approved by the Indiana District board to be considered a licensed minister qualified to vote.)
2. This definition includes pastors of English speaking churches who have a Spanish-speaking daughter work or Spanish-speaking Ministry (departments) within their churches.
3. The following are eligible to hold an office in Spanish Ministry: Licensed ministers of Indiana who minister primarily in the Spanish language and who otherwise qualify for a particular office. This definition includes pastors, pastoral assistants, evangelists, and daughter work pastors who minister to Spanish speaking churches.
4. As with all elected officers, the officers in Spanish Ministry shall be subject to term limits.

## Section 3. Spanish Ministry Director

1. Election: At the annual Spanish Camp, the licensed ministers of Indiana who minister to the Spanish-speaking community shall vote by secret ballot for a qualified individual to fill the office of Spanish Ministry Director. The three highest names shall be brought to the entire voting constituency of Indiana, which shall elect one of these individuals to be the Spanish Ministry director for the district.
2. Qualifications: The director must be at least thirty (30) years of age; must have been a minister in good standing with the organization for five (5) years; must have been ordained a minimum of one year; must have proven himself loyal to the organization by cooperating in building up the work, and must conform to the fundamental doctrine of the United Pentecostal Church International. His primary ministry must be in the Spanish language. He must be a citizen of the United States of America.
3. Term of office: He shall serve for a term of two years concurrent with that of the district superintendent.
4. Duties

- A. Serve as a liaison between the district and the Spanish-speaking ministers, keeping a clear and constant flow of communication between them; and keep the district superintendent fully informed of all developments.
- B. Serve as chairman of the Spanish Ministry board committees.
- C. Lead Spanish Ministry in developing and promoting ministry among Spanish speaking people in accordance with the purposes listed in Section 1 and present a yearly plan to the District Board for approval.
- D. Oversee the budget and activities of Spanish Ministry.
- E. Assist the District Board in screening Spanish-speaking ministers who seek to be licensed by the district and translating for them if necessary.
- F. Assist in the incorporation of Spanish speaking ministers who come from other countries, districts, or organizations.
- G. Report to and work under the supervision of the District Board.
- H. Make an annual written activity & financial report to the District Board and District Conference.

#### Section 4. Spanish Ministry Secretary.

1. Election: At the annual Spanish Camp, the Indiana District licensed ministers of Indiana who minister to the Spanish speaking community shall vote by secret ballot for a qualified individual to fill the office of Spanish Ministry Secretary. The three highest names shall be brought to the entire voting constituency of Indiana, which shall elect one of these individuals to be the Spanish Ministry secretary in the district.
2. Qualifications: The secretary must be at least twenty five (25) years of age; must have been a minister in good standing with the organization for two years; must have held a General license for a minimum of two years; must have proven loyal to the organization by cooperating in building up the work; and must conform to the fundamental doctrine of the United Pentecostal Church International. His primary ministry must be in the Spanish language. He must be a citizen of the United States of America.
3. Term of office: He shall serve for a term of two years concurrent with that of the District secretary.
4. Duties
  - A. Report to and work under the supervision of the district Spanish Ministry director.
  - B. Assist the Spanish Ministry director as requested by him.
  - C. Take minutes of Spanish Ministry board committee meetings and preserve Spanish Ministry records.
  - D. Oversee the district Spanish Ministry funds, which shall be deposited with and disbursed by the District secretary-treasurer, and make an annual financial report to the Indiana District Board for review and approval. He shall also present the annual financial report at the Spanish Conference. He shall not request disbursement of any funds without the approval of the Spanish Ministry director.

#### Section 5. Other Committees.

1. Spanish Ministry may organize the following committees as needed for the purpose of enhancing Spanish ministry in the district:
  - A. Women's committee, men's committee, children's ministry committee, music committee, promotional committee, mission evangelism committee, youth committee.
  - B. Spanish Ministry may organize any other committees deemed necessary for the sake of revival.
  - C. A Sectional Fellowship Director shall be elected by the Spanish pastors as per section 2, paragraph 2, in his or her section and serve concurrently with the Spanish Ministries Director for two years.
2. The Spanish ministers at the Spanish Camp shall elect the chairperson of each committee. The Spanish Ministry board will present a list of names, approved by the District Board, to the conference.

3. The Spanish Ministry ministers at Spanish Camp shall elect committee members.
4. The term of office for each committee chairperson and committee member is for two years, concurrent with that of the District Superintendent.
5. The qualifications for committee personnel are as follows:
  - A. Each committee member must be in good standing with the organization, must have worked under the ministry of a United Pentecostal Church Pastor for at least one year, must have proven loyal to the organization for two years by cooperating in building up the work, and must conform to the fundamental doctrine. His or her primary ministry or church involvement must be in the Spanish language. Each men's committee member must also be licensed as a minister for a minimum of one year; and each ladies committee member and children's ministry coordinator must be licensed or married to a licensed minister in the organization.
  - B. In addition, the men's committee chairman, children's ministry committee chairman, and youth committee chairman shall be licensed ministers and must have held license for a minimum of two years.

#### Section 6. Spanish language Meetings.

1. Plans for district wide meetings shall be presented to the District Board for approval as to the dates, place, purpose, and speakers.
2. Local churches may sponsor meetings in accordance with the Manual of the United Pentecostal Church International.

#### Section 7. Ministerial Training.

1. Indiana Bible College En Espanol is a wholly owned subsidiary of Indiana Bible College, and as such is directed by the Board of Indiana Bible College. Indiana Spanish Evangelism ministry will work under their direction for ministerial development for a certificate of completion.
2. Spanish Ministry is authorized to organize other ongoing ministerial training and Biblical Studies programs, subject to approval by the Indiana District Board.
3. The projected locations are as follows: Indiana Bible College and other areas as needed.
4. The general committee will select the following, subject to approval by the District Board:
  - A. A director and secretary for each location
  - B. Teachers
  - C. Curriculum
5. Spanish Ministry funds the training program with a small tuition fee.
6. The purpose will be to train ministers in the following areas:
  - A. Doctrine
  - B. Holiness and Christian living
  - C. Ethics
  - D. Practical ministry, including evangelism, discipleship, counseling, and preaching.
  - E. Church administration; including organization, finances, management and legal issues.
  - F. District and national organizational structure.
7. Students must be recommended by their pastors and approved by the Spanish Ministry Director or Secretary.
8. This plan shall be coordinated with the District Board.

Section 8. Fundraising.

Spanish Ministry shall have the right to appeal to all the ministers and churches of the District for financial contributions. Spanish language churches will be encouraged to bring a sacrificial offering to the annual Spanish camp meeting to help cover expenses.

Section 9. Spanish Sectional Map.



**ARTICLE XIV  
Honorarium**

The following Honorarium policy is available to departments in 2021, and will become mandatory policy in 2022. Our instate and out of state speaker honorarium policy is attached as well, which is unchanged.

District Honorarium - District should pay for all travel expenses: (Mileage, airfare, vehicle rental, meals, hotel)

**District Level Honorariums**

- One Service Minimum: \$1,000.00 - \$1,500.00 Maximum
- Two Service Minimum: \$1,500.00 - \$2,000.00 Maximum
- Three Service Minimum: \$2,000.00 - \$2,500.00 Maximum
- Four Service Minimum: \$2,500.00 - \$3,000.00 Maximum
- Five Service Minimum: \$3,000.00 - \$3,500.00 Maximum
- District will pay for 1 companion to travel with speaker

**Sectional Level Honorariums**

- One Service Minimum: \$500.00 - \$1,000.00 Maximum
- Two Service Minimum: \$1,000.00 - \$1,500.00 Maximum
- Three Service Minimum: \$1,500.00 - \$2,000.00 Maximum
- Four Service Minimum: \$2,000.00 - \$2,500.00 Maximum
- Five Service Minimum: \$2,500.00 - \$3,000.00 Maximum

Sections will not pay for non-participating companion to travel without special District approval.

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**ARTICLE XV**  
**Board Position Paper**

2021 Board Position Paper

**District Board Budget Position Paper**

Whereas there are many viewpoints among licensed ministers regarding the nature of District dues, and

Whereas the members of the board have an obligation to clarify their position regarding District dues, and

Whereas prior budget requirements included tithing as part of the dues and fulltime ministers paid 50% of their tithes as dues,

Be it therefore resolved every minister should bring their tithes into the storehouse (Malachi 3:10), and

Be it further therefore resolved the Indiana District Board holds District dues are part of ministerial tithes, and

Be it further resolved if a minister submits 100% of his or her tithes to his or her church, the church should hold themselves responsible to submit the minister's monthly District dues to the District office or online,

Be it further resolved a minister may also choose to remove the monthly fee from his or her tithes to personally submit to the District office.

**ARTICLE XVI**

**Indiana District Camp Policy**



**Policy Handbook Conference And  
Training Center  
Indiana District  
United Pentecostal Church**

**Revised: 2023**

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**CAMP PHILOSOPHY**

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The Indiana District Camp is the result of vision, leadership, and dedication going back several decades. None of us would have the privilege of continuing this great work without the champions of past generations who have brought us to this day.

The Indiana District Camp has also operated with a strong philosophy that our campground should always be a place where apostolic people can participate together in powerful worship and hear the apostolic message preached from an unfettered pulpit. The prevailing tradition has also been upheld that God's family shall be together at this place in complete unity and demonstrating a positive Christian attitude to each other and our work.

Each person who enters these grounds is responsible for helping us to uphold these traditions, and to always conduct themselves with Christian values and holiness unto the Lord.

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**Letter To Each Camp Staff Member**

*Dear Camp Directors, Dorm Supervisor and Workers;*

*The Indiana District Board welcomes you and thanks you for being part of the great adventure of church camp.*

*Thousands of people look back on their lives and recall with fond memories and heartwarming humor the wonderful experience of camp. The friendships, memories, and spiritual blessings last a lifetime.*

*Our work is of course made easier when each of us understands the vital aspect of teamwork. The summer camp program in Indiana is historically a testimony of people working together to provide a wonderful Christian place for us all to spend a little bit of our summer.*

*This handbook is intended to present guidelines to all those involved and to help assure the success of our endeavors.*

*Thank you for taking part. Your sacrifice and dedication is appreciated.*

*Yours in Christ,*

*INDIANA DISTRICT BOARD*

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## **BRIEF HISTORY OF THE INDIANA DISTRICT CAMP**

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The first Indiana District Camp was held at Battleground in 1953 and continued there through 1962. On April 9<sup>th</sup>, 1963 The Indiana District was issued an article of Incorporation from the state of Indiana.

In 1963 and 1964, the camp was held in Hartford City at the Assemblies of God Campgrounds. In 1965, the camp was held at the Assemblies of God Campgrounds. In 1965, the camp was held at the Nazarene Camp in Marion, Indiana, and in 1966 moved to the present location in Fortville, Indiana.

In 1961, the District Board looked at three farm acreages to purchase for a campground. When Bro. Lester McFarland walked on the present location, he said, "This is the place." Mr. Kellum was owner of the present location and was asking \$30,000.00, but when he heard it was for a church camp, he reduced the price by 10 percent, and the real estate agent also donated \$500.00.

In a meeting at Calvary Tabernacle in November 1962, pledges were taken and in three months \$26,500.00 was raised to purchase the property. The District Board met on February 28, 1962 at the old farmhouse and paid in full for the property, and a deed was given to them at that time.

Work began immediately, and by 1965 the dining hall and five dorms were completed. On November 7, 1965 at the District Conference in Fort Wayne, permission was given to Church Builders to build the tabernacle, chapel, concession stand and roads for a price of \$290,000.00 with the hope of having everything ready for camp in August 1966.

Tragedy struck the camp on November 26, 1965 when a tornado destroyed five dorms and the dining hall suffered minor damage.

The Ladies Auxiliary held the first service on the campground in the east side of the dining hall. Sis. Dora Simison was the Ladies Auxiliary President, and Lane Scott spoke on "Beyond These Weeds."

In December of 1975, a drive was launched called "A Fair Share For Everyone" which resulted in the burning of the mortgage at the Adult Camp in 1976.

The Camp was remodeled under Paul Mooney as District Superintendent during the 1990's. The auditorium was re-carpeted, air conditioning was added and the dorms were air conditioned as well. The kitchen was completely rearranged and remodeled and air conditioned as well.

In 2000 the Indiana District Campgrounds name was changed to "The Indiana district Evangelism and Training Center"

Around 2005 section 5, from our old sectional boundaries, took up the task of remodeling dorm 9-10, and redid the bathrooms and re-roofed the building. This gave a spark of inspiration for the next few years of improving and rebuilding the camp.

Robert Stroup, the district superintendent, allowed a group of men to travel around to some camps and report on what they had been doing to improve and update the camp in Indiana, and he even went with the group to Canada to view the recent improvements in the Toronto area campground.

Terry Long became the camp comptroller and began to implement some much needed austerity measures in order to help make the camp most cost effective to operate, which over the next couple of years eased the financial load on the district.

The District Board began to make some adjustments in order to reign in the costs of the campground. They moved to bring in and outside consultant to help raise money to pay off approximately \$250,000 of mortgage debt. A team was created and a three year plan was created. In 2 years the debt was retired, and then in 2011, 20 acres of property adjacent became available when our campground neighbor passed away. The family wanted to have the property purchased by the camp. We agreed on a price of \$100,000 for the approximately 20 acres of farmland, which would enable future expansion. During camp meeting that summer, as we celebrated the retiring of old debt, we received pledges totaling \$100,000 towards the new property. After working with the city and county councils, when it was time to pay for the property on January 10, 2012, we had the entire \$100,000 in hand to purchase the property from the pledges of the pastors and saints being faithful and paying their pledges.

The summer of 2012 and 2013 saw several major improvements. We had some hail damage in the summer of 2011, so

the insurance company paid for new roofs for all the dorms that needed them. In 2012 the ladies ministry paid for the remodeling all of the dorm restrooms.

In 2013, someone donated the money to redo the floors in the kitchen and dining hall, which led to the Ladies Ministry insulating and repainting the dining hall.

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**PROFILE OF THE INDIANA DISTRICT CAMPS**

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Each Camp is sponsored and directed by individual departments:

**Sunday School Department**

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8-9 Camp

10-11 Camp

**Youth Department**

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Junior Camp - (*Ages 12-14*)

Teen Camp - (*Ages 15-18*)

**Family Camp**

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Family Camp is for all ages and is under the direction of the District Superintendent, District Board, and Ministerial Constituents.

The Indiana camps are broken down into three areas. Each of these areas is sponsored and administered by different departments of our District.



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**IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

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**Fortville Police: (317) 485-6328**

**Lapel Fire Department: (317) 534-3747**

**Ingalls City Hall: (317) 485-4321**

**Child Protection Services Hotline: (800) 800-5556**

**CAMP NUMBERS:**

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Campground - (317) 485-5532

Administrative Office - (317) 485-5053

Conquerors Hall - (317) 485-5984

**MISCELLANEOUS**

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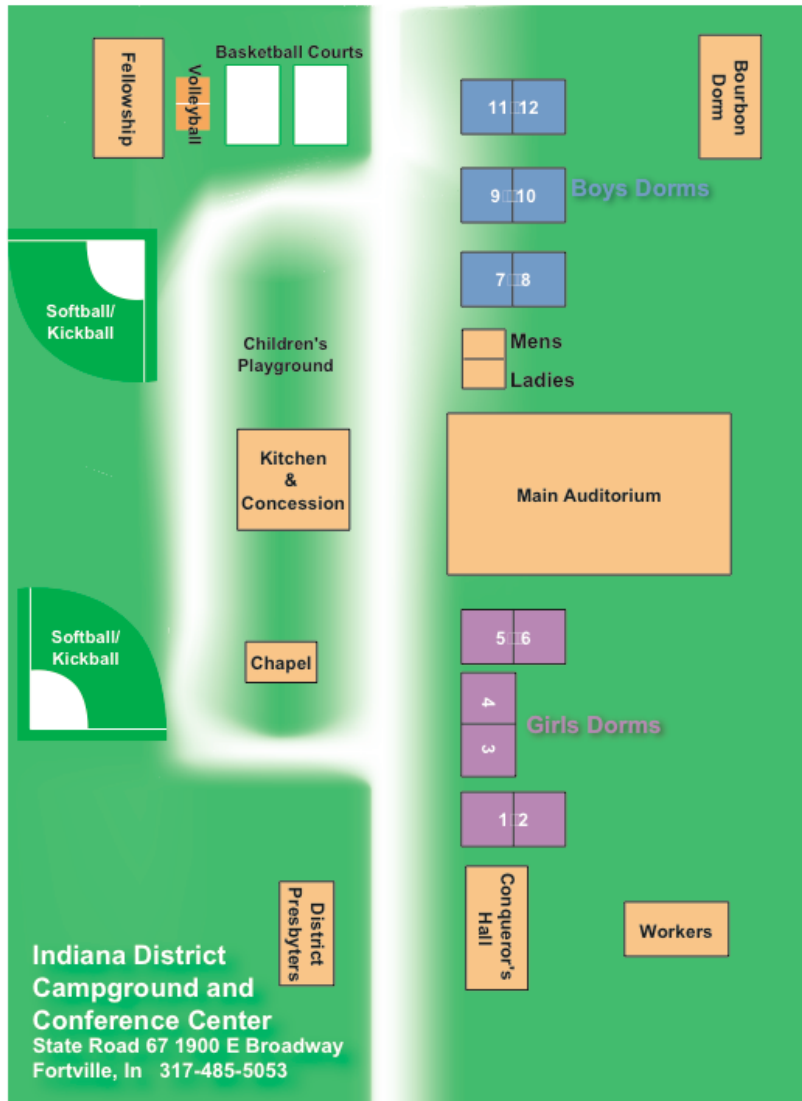
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**INDIANA DISTRICT UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH CAMP  
POLICY**

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**CAMP MAP**



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**CAMP OVERSIGHT**

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The Indiana District Board shall oversee all phases of the physical operation of the camp, such as:

- To oversee all repairs and improvements as are needed from time to time
- To lease lots and cottages to qualified purchasers as defined in the Camp Policy
- To consider all requests for additions or alterations to any existing structure, with the right of approval or denial
- The District Board may empower any committee or person to assist in implementing these duties and/or camp responsibilities such as finance committee, camp oversight committee, and oversight of camp caretaker.

The Indiana District Board shall establish a grassroots Camp Committee with one representative of the district board participating on said committee to govern the physical operations of the campgrounds. This committee would be empowered to lease the camp for profit, generating an additional cash flow that would help defer the expense of necessary repairs and/or upgrading the camp facility as needed.

This committee would be under the authority of the district board and should be represented, if possible, by one man from each section.

These positions shall be appointed by the District Conference.

Each section and the ministry and churches of each section, shall be organized by the presbyter of each section, and be responsible for the following:

- Section 1 churches, led by Section 1 presbyter, be responsible for Dormitories 1 & 2 and the quarters for the presbyter of Section 1 in the Executive Dorm building.
- Section 2 churches, led by Section 2 presbyter, be responsible for Dormitories 3 & 4 and the quarters for the presbyter of Section 2 in the Executive Dorm building.
- Section 3 churches, led by Section 3 presbyter, be responsible for Dormitories 5 & 6 and the quarters for the presbyter of Section 3 in the Executive Dorm building.
- Section 4 churches, led by Section 4 presbyter, be responsible for Dormitories 7 & 8 and the quarters for the presbyter of Section 4 in the Executive Dorm building.
- Section 5 churches, led by Section 5 presbyter, be responsible for Dormitories 9 & 10 and the quarters for the presbyter of Section 5 in the Executive Dorm building.
- Section 6 churches, led by Section 6 presbyter, be responsible for Dormitories 11 & 12 and the quarters for the presbyter of Section 6 in the Executive Dorm building.
- The Sunday School and Youth Department, organized by the respective Directors and Secretaries, shall be responsible for Conquerors Hall Dormitory and the Chapel.
- The Ladies Ministry Department, organized by the Director and Secretary, shall be responsible for the building referred to as the "The Hospitality Center."

**SUPERVISION**

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Throughout all camps there shall be at least one District Board member and the department head or secretary of each respective camp on the grounds at all times to assist as needed by the Camp Director.

**MAINTENANCE**

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The water and sewage facilities are complex systems and only an authorized person designated by the District Board shall maintain and repair the central systems. (Cabin owners are responsible for repair and upkeep of water and sewage from their respective cottages.)

Each department shall be responsible for the cleanliness of campgrounds during their respective camp. In the event of any damage to cottages, dormitories, or any other camp facility caused by excessive abuse on the part of any camper or campers, which results in expensive repairs; the cost of said repairs may be passed on to the individual or the parents of children involved.

It is suggested that each department delegate the following responsibilities to their board members:

- There shall be planned clean up for all buildings grounds, dormitories, and restrooms each day.
- The auditorium must be cleaned each day.
- Restrooms must be cleaned each day and paper supplies kept in the proper receptacles.
- There must be a final clean up of each respective camp that will be followed by an inspection by the respective camp director.

One person appointed by each department for their respective camp shall supervise the use and maintenance of recreation equipment and grounds used for recreation. There shall be an Inventory at the beginning and close of each camp by the department in charge.

Furniture, materials, and equipment shall not be moved from their respective buildings except by permission of the Camp Director or District Board.

## **PERSONNEL**

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All camp plans by department heads shall be submitted to the District Board for approval together with the name, address, age, pastor's name and home church of all camp personnel to be used for respective camps prior to the camps they shall serve.

Approval of the respective pastors shall be required for all personnel used in the camps. The departments of their respective camps will designate free meals and/or rooms that are to be provided for those having official responsibilities. All camp personnel must be members in good standing with one of our United Pentecostal Churches. Names of all proposed speakers and teachers for each camp shall be submitted by the respective departments to be passed upon by the District Board prior to contacting them.

All workers must sign a criminal disclaimer form and release form with regard to sexual abuse inquiries.

All workers/volunteer must comply with and complete the camp screening policy.

## **USHERS**

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Must be passed upon by the department heads for their responsible positions. All camper rules shall apply.

## **CAFETERIA PERSONNEL**

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All cafeteria personnel shall serve under the direction of the cafeteria supervisor. All camp rules shall apply to cafeteria personnel. Minimum age of 16 years is required and adult supervision will be maintained in dormitories or cottages where non-adults are housed.

## **CONCESSION STAND**

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Concession stand managers shall be appointed by the Camp Comptroller and shall be separate from the kitchen supervisor. The concession stand shall be completely closed during all services. Only authorized personnel shall be allowed in concession stand. Children are not permitted. Minimum age is 16 and supervision will be maintained in dormitories or cottages where non-adults are housed. All camp rules apply to concession stand personnel.

## **HEALTH/HYGIENE**

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Rules of health and hygiene apply to all personnel working in cafeteria and concession stand (State Board of Health required.) Camp comptroller or cafeteria supervisor shall provide information and requirements as to the Board of Health requirements. Only authorized personnel shall be allowed in kitchen and traffic serving area. It is to be here stated that we must strive to maintain campground cleanliness.

## **CAMPERS**

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Campers shall follow all rules under the Basic Campground Policy Section of this manual.

## **MUSIC DEPARTMENT**

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The music director must understand the camp choir is basically for registered campers. Non-registered campers shall not be allowed to participate in music without the express permission of the Camp Director. Any assistance by persons who are not registered campers shall be under the same Policies as are registered campers. The music director and assistants shall be under the authority of the department head and the District Board.

## **OTHER PERSONNEL**

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Any persons involved in any capacity not already specified shall be under the same general rules as specified for all personnel.

We strongly admonish everyone who attends camp to be inside the Tabernacle and not to be loitering outside during services.

The following statements shall be on all campers' registration forms:

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (*pastor's name*), as pastor of \_\_\_\_\_ (*Camper's name*), have advised this applicant and provided them a copy of all camp rules and his or her obligation to abide by them, and I hereby pledge to uphold the camp in all camp policy.

By my signature, I hereby give consent for a criminal background check to be made through proper agencies and that



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**RESPONSIBILITIES OF CABIN OWNERS / LESSEES / LOT OWNERS**

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Cabin owners / lessees / lot owners shall abide by the following regulations:

Any business transacted as to cabin sales, trade or disposition, shall be conducted according to the requirements set forth in the sales contract. Cabins and landscaping shall be kept neat and in good repair as per contract. All Cabin owners / lessees / lot owners are to assist in conservation of water supply and make arrangements to winterize cabin each fall of the year. Water, sewage and insurance costs will be reassessed on an annual basis.

- Cabin owners / lessees / lot owners shall cooperate with District officers at all times, and must defer to the rules that are in force during camp periods.
- Storage of abandoned or inoperable vehicles, motors, or other large rubbish is prohibited.
- No dumping is allowed anywhere on Campground.
- Cabin owners / lessees / lot owners must seek approval for all exterior improvements or additions to their cabins in accordance with District Camp Policy procedure.
- Cabin owners / lessees / lot owners are not allowed to sublet or rent or allow anyone to occupy cabins during off camp season with the exception of immediate family members without first obtaining approval of the District Board.
- No Cabin owners / lessees / lot owners shall buy cabin or lots with the intent of business profit.
- Any outside pets shall be kept on a leash. (No farm pets allowed.)

**SPECIAL USAGE**

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Whereas the Indiana Campground was established to promote a wholesome and Godly fellowship; and all activities that go on must be conducted in a manner inoffensive to accepted Apostolic behavior; the following guidelines shall be adopted as to the special use or rental of this facility.

- All activities shall be in accordance with established camp policy.
- Fundraisers that do not directly benefit the camp or other district programs will not be permitted.
- A fee shall be paid to the camp for any special usage. A negotiated percent shall be decided by the District Board to be applied to the Camp Fund.
- The District Board will permit no form of entertainment-oriented programs without express approval. Any request for fund raising purposes must be submitted to District Board prior to the annual district planning meeting for consideration and scheduling.

Our churches are encouraged to use the camp for outings, church seminars, etc. All requests for use of this nature shall be submitted to District Superintendent or designate at least thirty days prior to event.

District owned sound equipment might be used only by approved District Media Engineer (as designated by the District Board.)



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## BASIC CAMPGROUND POLICY

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These Basic Campground Policies are published to help make all persons aware of the guidelines, traditions, and principles of Christian conduct that govern the activities which take place on the Campground. All individuals, campers, non-campers, visitors and personnel, are encouraged and expected to maintain standards of Christian conduct as set forth in the Articles of Faith and Position Papers of the United Pentecostal Church International and to adhere to these Christian principles in spirit and in deed while on the Campground or participating in Camp activities.

Practices, which are known to be morally wrong by Biblical teaching, are not acceptable and will not be allowed on the Campground. Such practices include, but are not limited to, specific acts such as the possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages, the possession or use of tobacco in any form, the possession or use of any drugs other than for medicinal purposes as prescribed by a physician, stealing, the use of slanderous or profane language, all forms of dishonesty including lying and cheating, occult practices, promoting or engaging in any immoral sins such as premarital sex, adultery, homosexual behavior, pornography, and the participation in gambling. In addition, attitudes and behaviors such as greed, jealousy, pride, lust, bitterness, needless anger, an unforgiving spirit and harmful prejudice or harassment such as that based on race, sex, or socioeconomic status are not acceptable and will not be tolerated on the Campground at any time.

The Campground reserves the right to withdraw or terminate at any time the participation in Camp activities of any individual, including campers, non-campers, visitors and personnel, without cause or for any violation in spirit or in deed of these Basic Campground Policy, the principles contained herein or for failing to follow the instruction of camp personnel.

### Campers

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#### General:

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1. All Campers and staff eighteen and under must have recommendations of the United Pentecostal Church pastor of their city (or nearest UPCI pastor) to attend. A camper from a non-UPCI church must have the signature of the nearest UPCI pastor.
2. Camper and staff eighteen and under must obey all rules as outlined by the Camp Director, and respect all lines of authority.

#### Conduct:

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3. All Campers shall be required to attend all class sessions, music practices, and evening services.
4. No Camper will be granted permission to go back and forth from the Tabernacle after evening service begins. Each Camper must remain in the Tabernacle after the evangelistic service until permission is granted to leave.
5. No loitering outside the Tabernacle during evening services.
6. No Camper is permitted beyond the boundary established by the District Board. Campers must remain in central camp areas and may not travel to the cabin area except by special permission from the Dean or the Camp Director.
7. Campers are not to stay in cottages without an adult supervisor officially approved by the department in charge.
8. Campers are not to visit or be present at any time in a cottage where members of the opposite sex are present, or reside. When a visitation shall exist, the Camper or Campers shall be dealt with by the Camp Director and may be banned from the Camp for whatever time period the Director shall determine. The respective pastors shall be notified of such actions.
9. Campers shall not visit dorms of the opposite sex.
10. No camper is allowed outside of sleeping areas after lights out.
11. No one is permitted to remove any furniture from its proper place at any time.
12. Campers shall respect all Camp property, and they or their parents are responsible to pay the repair for any damage.
13. Campers may not change dorms.
14. Campers are required to eat their meals in the cafeteria at the approved time.

**Behavior:**

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15. Campers shall not engage in handholding, kissing, or any such activity.
16. No taunting or ridicule of other campers is allowed.
17. Acts of violence will not be tolerated, and shall be cause for dismissal.
18. Smoking, drug use, drinking of alcohol, or any such activity, is not allowed.
19. Vulgar language, profanity, and/or cursing are not allowed.
20. No videos, worldly music, Christian Rock music, radios, tapes, records, no CD/MP3 or DVD players will be permitted in the dorms.
21. Campers will keep their personal items in order.
22. No littering or throwing of food.

**Personal Appearance:**

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23. Campers will abide by the dress guidelines set by the UPC Indiana District
  - a. **Girl Campers** must have all dresses or skirts decent and below the knees. Splits in skirts or dresses must be below the bend of the knee. Dresses and blouses must have sleeves of at least  $\frac{1}{4}$  length with a modest neckline. No Tight fitting clothes of any kind. Clothes must cover midriff area at all times. Shorts and slacks are not permitted on the Campground. We encourage girls' not to cut or trim their hair and ask all Campers to respect this standard while on the campground. The use of lipstick, makeup, or jewelry is not permitted. Shirts or sweaters with suggestive writing or pictures are not allowed.
  - b. **Boy Campers** must have decent haircuts before arriving on the Campground. Hair must be off the collar and the ears. No shorts or tight fitting clothes of any kind. No tight-fitting or overly baggy trousers with holes or tears are permitted. Boys must wear shirts or sweaters (no plain under shirts). No shirt or sweater with suggestive writing or pictures is allowed. No jewelry is allowed.
24. Campers will practice good hygiene

**Rules for Non-Campers:**

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25. During any scheduled District activity, all persons on the Campground are under the jurisdiction of Campground rules. This includes daytime, evening, and overnight guests.
26. All persons on Campgrounds at any time (Camp week or non-Camp week) shall abide by the dress guidelines set by the UPC Indiana District.
27. During camp week, all people on the grounds, including persons in cabins and the trailer park, are under the direction of the Camp Director, and shall cooperate fully with the Camp Director and all Camp rules.
28. Non-campers are not allowed to be in the central Camp area during the day of Camp programs, except by permission of the Camp Director.
29. No bicycles, skateboards, or motorized vehicles of any kind are to be operated in the central Camp area (blacktop) except staff carts, or other vehicles specifically approved by Camp Director.
30. All Owners/Renters of Golf Carts shall sign and abide by the golf cart policy contained at the back of the camp handbook.
31. No parking of golf carts in front of the cafeteria or the auditorium.

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## JOB DESCRIPTIONS

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### *Camp Director*

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#### **Qualifications:**

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- May not be less than 21 years old
- Approved by District Board, or by virtue of District office
- Must be minister holding license with UPCI
- Must personally comply with and complete the Camp Worker Screening Policy, the Camp Child Abuse Prevention Policy and all other policies contained in this manual.

#### **Duties:**

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- Shall work in harmony with District Superintendent
- Shall work in accordance with all District Board directives
- Organize camp with regard to all staff and programs
- Speakers shall be approved by District Board
- Assistant Director shall be department Secretary or his designee as approved by District Board
- Every effort should be made to provide a program that is varied and conducive to spiritual growth, physical and social experiences
- Handle all disciplinary actions against staff or camper by following disciplinary procedures
- Maintain required records:
  - Roster of all current staff
  - Roster of all current campers
  - Medical reports
- Make certain camp-screening policy is complied with.
- Promote a good spirit and Christian attitude among staff and campers
- Establish a daily camp schedule
- Camp Director shall have the right to ask cooperation of non-campers and camp residents during camp week
- Shall have program and key staff completed three weeks prior to camp date
- Responsible for day-to-day camp administration
- Assure the care, safety, and protection of all campers
- Shall provide an orientation session for staff and clearly provide information regarding discipline, rules and childcare.
- Help minimize costs
- Responsible, along with District Secretary, to see that all monies (fees and offerings) are delivered to District Secretary/Treasurer or his designate.
- Shall have access to petty cash account and provide receipts for all monies spent from this fund, to be submitted to District Secretary/Treasurer at end of camp
- Shall not leave the camp ground unless the Assistant Director is left in charge and if possible the District Board Representative were notified; however, Camp Director shall endeavor to be on grounds as much as possible.
- In case of emergency or an extreme disciplinary problem, the Camp Director shall counsel with the District Board Representative to help reach a decision.
- Shall prepare a Camp Damage Inspection after each camp, file report in district office and give a copy to the Maintenance Director.

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***Assistant Camp Director***

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**Qualifications:**

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- May not be less than 21 years old
- Approved by District Board, or by virtue of District office
- Must be minister holding license with UPCI
- Must personally comply with and complete the Camp Worker Screening Policy, Child Abuse Prevention Policy and all other policies contained in this manual.

**Duties:**

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- Work with and under direction of Camp Director in performing mutual duties
- Assist dean in setting up registration
- If Assistant Camp Director is Department Secretary, he shall see that all monies are delivered to District Secretary/Treasurer per procedure.

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**Deans (Male & Female)**


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**Qualifications:**


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- At least 21 years of age
- Filled with the Holy Ghost
- Member of UPCI
- Approved by District Board
- Must personally comply with and complete the Camp Worker Screening Policy, Child Abuse Prevention Policy and all other policies contained in this manual.

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**Duties:**


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- Responsible with Principal to patrol and monitor campground
- Perform daily dorm inspection with Principal
- Solicit Dorm Supervisor as needed and according to District procedure
- Oversee Dorm Supervisor
- Assist Camp Director as requested in the area of camp control
- Attend training meeting
- Set up registration; register all campers and staff; register all persons in cottages during camp week; prepare roster for camp report booklet
- Make sure all Dorm Supervisor are informed of their duties by providing them with job descriptions
- Assist Dorm Supervisor in dorm setup (Bed checklist, etc.)
- Be on grounds at all times to offer advice and support and supervision to Dorm Supervisor. Assure that all attend camp activities
- Substitute for Dorm Supervisor as needed in caring for children
- Make certain dorms are ready on opening day
- Note and report to Camp Director all Dorm Supervisor that do not cooperate with program
- Be watchful for any problems; Monitor behavior and appearance of campers
- Do final lights-out bed check inspection at night
- Responsible for wake-up
- Respond to all first-aid emergencies, if possible, to assure that proper procedures are followed
- Be responsible for the sign-out of any camper during camp. No camper may leave grounds without signing out, or until Friday's dismissal
- Assist in spiritual development and encouragement of campers (altar work, worship, etc.)
- Deans must not leave until all dorms are properly inspected and Camp Director has authorized departure

## ***Dorm Supervisor***

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### **Qualifications:**

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- At least 18 years of age (Exceptions at discretion of Camp Director)
- Filled with the Holy Ghost
- Member of the UPCI
- Registration signed by pastor (Camp Director may sign only by special permission of pastor)
- Must personally comply with and complete the Camp Worker Screening Policy, Child Abuse Prevention Policy and all other policies contained in this manual.

### **Duties:**

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- Shall be on Campground by 8:00 a.m. on opening day of camp.
- Shall attend training session.
- Shall abide by all Camp Policies contained in this manual.
- Shall work in harmony with Camp Director and other staff and be submissive to line of authority.
- Shall be with campers at all times during week.
- Shall provide companionship, encouragement to each camper while serving as caretaker to his/her group.
- Shall encourage participation with camp program and group activities (sports, choir, classes, etc.)
- Shall assist camper in developing positive spiritual attitudes and physical activities during camp week.
- Dorm Supervisor may not leave campground without clear permission of Dean or Head Dorm Supervisor.
- Complete a bed-check list and do bed check each night.
- Mark each bed with name and number of specific camper.
- Maintain discipline and encourage campers to follow camp rules and schedules and procedures (Meals, showers, recreation, etc.)
- Dorm Supervisor shall not handle disciplinary action, but follow disciplinary policy.
- Dorm Supervisor shall never deny food or sleep to a camper for any reason.
- Private dorm prayer meetings shall only be with permission of Camp Director.
- Dorm Supervisor shall not pull his or her group out of main camp program.
- Dorm Supervisor may not leave dorm at night.
- Dorm Supervisor shall not engage in private interviews with campers that might be deemed psychological or spiritual counseling, but shall restrict his/her discussion to general and 'normal' topics.
- Any unusual behavior or illegal activity such as drugs, theft, or sexual contact between campers shall be reported to Camp Director at once.
- Dorm Supervisor must abide by the Sexual Abuse Prevention Policy and never touch or talk to a camper in any way that would have even the slightest sexual appearance attached to his/her activity.
- Do not grant permission for any camper to leave campground with anyone for any reason without going through Dean or Camp Director.
- Any camper leaving the grounds must have authorization from a parent or guardian, and fill out the proper paperwork at Conqueror's Hall office. Minor children are released only to a parent/guardian unless proper parental permission has been granted.
- Dorm Supervisor shall watch for any health problems and any injuries and report to camp nurse.

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***Principal***

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**Qualifications:**

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- At least 21 years of age
- Experienced in teaching and organizing
- Filled with the Holy Ghost
- Member of UPCI
- Application signed by Pastor, if applicable
- Must personally comply with and complete the Camp Worker Screening Policy, Child Abuse Prevention Policy and all other policies contained in this manual.

**Duties:**

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- Assist with Camp Registration
- Work with respective Camp Committee and/or Director or his/her appointee in establishing educational programs and themes
- Follow line of authority; be available to assist as needed
- Work with Camp Director in assembling materials for classes
- Organize teaching staff with cooperation of Camp Director, and with teaching staff with respect to times and procedures
- Prepare classrooms and direct teaching sessions
- Maintain high quality teaching standards and encourage a good spirit among campers and teaching staff
- Perform dorm inspections with dean
- Be responsible to organize with Dean camp patrol/monitoring
- Ring bell to signal class and activity changes
- Maintain high standard of discipline
- Open and close all classes on first day and introduce teachers, etc.
- Be present in all services and encourage teachers to be present in services and sit on platform as designated
- Select and direct ushering staff. This group should receive offering and close and clean Tabernacle each evening

***Music/Choir Director***

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**Qualifications:**

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- At least 18 years of age
- Holy Ghost filled member of Indiana District UPCI
- Application signed by pastor, when applicable
- Experienced in music and choir direction
- Must personally comply with and complete the Camp Worker Screening Policy, Child Abuse Prevention Policy and all other policies contained in this manual.

**Duties:**

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- Work with Camp Director or his appointee in planning music for camp
- Direct choir
- Be prepared with musical program for each service, as well as altar service, chapel, rallies, and day services
- Maintain a good spirit in working with staff and campers
- Supervise practice sessions and maintain time schedule
- Use campers as much as possible for solos and featured parts
- Staff may be used as needed in music

- All assistant workers/singers/musicians must be approved by Camp Director and meet general requirements of other personnel
- Assist Camp Director in any way to help assure a successful camp



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***Orchestra Director***

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**Qualifications:**

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- At least 18 years of age
- Holy Ghost filled member of UPCI
- Application signed by pastor, when applicable
- Experienced in music and choir direction
- Must personally comply with and complete the Camp Worker Screening Policy, Child Abuse Prevention Policy and all other policies contained in this manual.

**Duties:**

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- Work with Camp Director or his/her appointee in planning orchestra program for camp
- Direct orchestra
- Work under supervision of Music Director or service leader during regular camp meetings
- Be prepared for special orchestra performances during each service
- Supervise practice sessions and maintain time schedule
- Maintain a good spirit in working with staff or campers

## ***Security Staff***

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### **Qualifications:**

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- At least 21 years of age
- Holy Ghost filled member of UPCI
- Application signed by pastor
- Appointed by Camp Director & approved by District Board.
- Must personally comply with and complete the Camp Worker Screening Policy, Child Abuse Prevention Policy and all other policies contained in this manual.

### **Duties:**

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- Monitor central camp area, working with Camp Director and staff
- Set up schedules for night patrol
- Perform light policing duties for campers
- Maintain a good spirit
- Staff shall not discipline campers but shall refer discipline to Camp Director or his designate.
- Staff shall not harass or ridicule campers
- Shall assist in severe weather procedure as directed by Camp Director

## ***Police Presence***

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### **Qualifications:**

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- Member of a local police force
- Must personally comply with and complete the Camp Worker Screening Policy, Child Abuse Prevention Policy and all other policies contained in this manual.

### **Duties:**

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- Monitor central camp area from 1 pm until 1 am, Monday – Friday of camp season, working with Camp Director and staff.
- Perform light policing duties for campers.

## ***Recreational Director***

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### **Qualifications:**

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- At least 18 years of age
- Holy Ghost filled member of UPCI
- Application signed by pastor, when applicable
- Interest in sporting activities
- Must personally comply with and complete the Camp Worker Screening Policy, Child Abuse Prevention Policy and all other policies contained in this manual.

### **Duties:**

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- Work with Camp Director or his appointee in planning a strong active recreational program
- Cooperate with camp staff and follow all lines of authority
- Strive to include all campers through a comprehensive program
- Maintain all equipment and keep properly stored after sessions

- Be prepared each day to start recreation at the proper time
- Be responsible to supervise any assistant recreational staff
- Recreational Director shall be watchful in helping to avoid injury and shall make certain all activities are conducted safely
- Recreational Director shall make certain that no camper is ever harassed, ridiculed, or used for sport

### ***Special Activities Director***

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#### **Qualifications:**

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- At least 18 years of age
- Holy Ghost filled member of UPCI
- Application signed by pastor, when applicable, with exception of licensed ministers
- Active in creative youth ministry
- Must personally comply with and complete the Camp Worker Screening Policy, Child Abuse Prevention Policy and all other policies contained in this manual.

#### **Duties:**

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- Work under the Camp Director or his appointee
- Plan and supervise all after service recreational events, games, and entertainment
- Plan events to include all campers who may wish to take part
- Provide a written schedule of planned events to the Camp Director for their approval
- Follow lines of authority, be available to assist as needed
- Follow all camp policies as stated in Policy Handbook
- Ensure that special activities will not be damaging to any camp properties.
- Be watchful in helping to avoid injury or harm of any kind
- Make certain that all activities are conducted safely.
- Make certain that no camper is harassed, ridiculed, or used for sport.
- Promote a good spirit and Christian attitude among staff.

## ***Head Cook***

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### **Qualifications:**

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- Holy Ghost filled member of UPCI
- Application signed by pastor, when applicable
- Experienced in cooking for a large group
- Capable of working with staff
- Capable of supervising
- Must personally comply with and complete the Camp Worker Screening Policy, Child Abuse Prevention Policy and all other policies contained in this manual.

### **Duties:**

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- Prepare meals for camp as scheduled
- Work in harmony with Camp Comptroller
- Supervise kitchen and dining room staff
- Prepare special menu needs in cooperation with Camp Comptroller prior to camp
- Work with standard menu, if provided
- Follow up on kitchen cleaning procedures
- Follow all state health regulations and see that kitchen and dining room staff follow these procedures and regulations as well
- Post schedule and menu in visible place in kitchen
- Post health and dress guidelines in kitchen

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***Camp Nurse / Health Officer***

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**Qualifications:**

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- At least 21 years of age
- Holy Ghost filled member of UPCI
- Application signed by pastor, when applicable
- Qualified nurse/LPN/EMT
- Must personally comply with and complete the Camp Worker Screening Policy, Child Abuse Prevention Policy and all other policies contained in this manual.

**Duties:**

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- Provide health service for campers
- Work with Camp Director and staff
- Follow Health Service Policy
- Supervise nursing staff
- Maintain a supply inventory
- Keep records and file a daily treatment report with camp office
- Be on campground at all times
- Shall contact Hancock County Memorial Hospital, Greenfield, Indiana, to prearrange emergency care and/or health consultation
- Camp Nurse shall review camper applications to locate any special medical needs, health problems, or drug requirements
  
- The Camp Director must ensure a designated emergency vehicle is in the central area of the camp for transportation

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***Concession Stand Manager / Staff***

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**Qualifications:**

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- Must be at least 18 years of age
- Must be Holy Ghost filled member of UPCI
- Must have pastor sign application
- Must personally comply with and complete the Camp Worker Screening Policy, Child Abuse Prevention Policy and all other policies contained in this manual.

**Duties:**

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- Responsible for operating Concession Stand
- Camp Comptroller shall staff Concession Stand per approval of District Board
- Concession Stand staff shall work in cooperation with Camp Comptroller and other food service personnel
- Concession Stand staff shall work in cooperation with Camp Director

**ICE CREAM STAND STAFF**

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**Qualifications:**

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- Must be Holy Ghost filled member of UPCI
- Must have pastor sign application
- Must personally comply with and complete the Camp Worker Screening Policy, Child Abuse Prevention Policy and all other policies contained in this manual.

**Duties:**

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- Manage ice cream stand
- Work in accordance to Camp Directors instructions and camp schedule

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***Camp Comptroller***

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**Qualifications:**

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- Camp Comptroller shall be appointed by District Board for a term of two years to run concurrent with District Superintendent. (Ratified by same conference.)
- Must personally comply with and complete the Camp Worker Screening Policy, Child Abuse Prevention Policy and all other policies contained in this manual.

**Duties:**

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- Shall be responsible for receipt and banking of all camp income (except departmental) into transfer account and surrendered to District Secretary. Payment of bills shall be by voucher.
- Shall oversee all kitchen and concession operations
- Order all supplies for kitchen and concessions
- Shall act as agent for District Board in the matter of cabin property sales and/or transfers from one owner to another. All transactions to be submitted to District Board for final approval.
- Camp Comptroller shall answer directly to District Superintendent.
- District Superintendent shall have authority, by virtue of his office, to make necessary immediate decisions relative to any camp problem / crisis.

## ***Camp Caretaker***

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### **Qualifications:**

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- Must be at least 21 years of age
- Approved and hired by District Board
- If not a licensed minister, must have approval of Pastor
- Must personally comply with and complete the Camp Worker Screening Policy, Child Abuse Prevention Policy and all other policies contained in this manual.

### **Duties:**

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- Shall work in harmony with Camp Director and the District Superintendent who shall be considered his general supervisor
- Shall work in accordance with all District Board directives
- Shall comply with Camp Policy procedures.
- Should be present on Campground during all Camp events
- Shall promote a good attitude among staff / workers and Camp Director, helping to expedite each Camp and the camper area shall receive priority for repairs and upkeep over other areas of the camp property while camps are in session.
- Shall maintain a locked master key box for all major buildings and keyed operations
- Shall maintain water system including sewer, etc. Shall be empowered to contract professional help when deemed necessary or in an emergency situation. When possible shall contact District Superintendent in such said circumstances
- Shall maintain all buildings with regard to mechanical operation (heat, water, electrical, etc.) and also maintain general appearance of buildings. Caretaker shall be free to enlist help or appeal to the District Board for additional cooperation in major projects per District Superintendent
- Shall be responsible to oversee the maintenance of grounds including mowing, painting of fences, posting of signs, etc. May enlist help from the District Board and / or involved churches
- Shall be responsible to maintain in good operation all equipment at Camp, including Kitchen, Pump House, tractors, etc. Shall execute these repairs; however, in cases where necessary may secure professional assistance and / or enlist help from the District Board per District Superintendent
- Caretaker and District Board shall mutually agree upon the compensation package for Caretaker. District Superintendent or his Designee may serve to work out details on any or all agreements prior to being submitted in writing to Board
- Any expenditures over \$500.00 must be approved by District Superintendent or his designate
- Shall monitor all meters on a regular basis
- Help reduce costs and other maintenance expenses
- Job performance shall be reviewed annually by District Superintendent
- Job description shall be reviewed annually by District Superintendent
- Caretaker shall monitor the overall camp appearance and shall be responsible to ask Cabin owners / lessees / lot owners to comply with camp rules when there are clear violations.

## ***Media Engineer***

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### **Qualifications:**

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- Must personally comply with and complete the Camp Worker Screening Policy, Child Abuse Prevention Policy and all other policies contained in this manual.

### **Duties:**

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Be it therefore resolved that the following policy be adopted by the Indiana District Board for the Media Ministry



Director:

- Be responsible to the District Superintendent at all times.
- Be present or have an approved designate at all times at all district events to record master of all speaking done at all services.
- All expenses such as mileage, food and motel are paid by the Camp Fund.
- The director shall deposit all money (checks and cash) with the camp comptroller.
- That a petty cash fund of \$500.00 be established to purchase necessary supplies.
- That open charge accounts be established to purchase necessary supplies.
- That no new equipment be purchased without the approval of the District Superintendent.
- That a current list of all tape equipment be maintained at all times.

## **POLICY SECTION**

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### ***Chain Of Command***

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Chain Of command shall be as follows:

- Camp Director has responsibility for daily operations of all camp staff and camp operations while their camp is in session and answers to the onsite District Board Representative.
- District Board onsite representative shall advise and direct the Camp Director when necessary or asked and answers to the District Board.
- District Secretary directs all receipts and disbursement of funds and answers to the District Board.
- The District Superintendent and the District Board direct the overall policy, procedures and direction of the camp property, facilities and activities.

### **FOOD POLICY**

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- Meals should be provided for staff and campers as part of camp registration fee (Three meals per day with exception of Adult Camp)
- Cost of meals for non-staff and non-campers shall be set by the District Board
- Any District Board member, Department Head, and their immediate family members on grounds during any camp shall be considered staff during mealtime.
- Menu shall be according to standard menu provided or an approved menu per Camp Comptroller
- All efforts shall be made to cut costs
- Head Cook shall carefully evaluate food consumption to reduce waste
- Camp Director may issue one-day meal passes to those who are on grounds as volunteers on a given day
- Every attempt shall be made to be cost effective in purchasing food for camp
- Meals shall be served at time designated by individual camp program
- Any special dietary needs shall be given to Head Cook in writing by Camp Director as received by parent or physician. Cook shall then fulfill those needs as stated by Camp Director
- All UPCI missionaries shall eat as guests of the Indiana District

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***Camp Worker Screening Policy***

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All prospective camp personnel, including volunteers, (Camp Workers) as specified in the Camp Policy Handbook must comply with and complete the following requirements:

- Must complete a written application in the form prescribed by the Camp Director's Office which form will request personal and background information on the applicant, including, but not limited to, criminal conviction information.
- Must authorize and consent to the completion of background and reference checks as required by the Camp Director's Office and must agree in writing to a liability release in connection therewith in the form prescribed by the Camp Director's Office.
- Must complete an interview/orientation session as required by the Camp Director's Office.
- Must have the recommendation of their Pastor and have been a member in good standing of a church for at least six (6) months or must be a licensed minister in good standing.
- Must agree in writing to abide by the Camp Policy Handbook, the codes of conduct, policies and principles contained therein, and the direction and instruction of camp personnel per the Camp Chain Of Command.

Confidentiality. Information and documentation obtained in connection with the screening of Camp Workers shall be maintained in a confidential manner by the Camp Director's Office.

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## ***Child Abuse Prevention Policy***

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Child abuse or neglect in any form, including physical and sexual abuse, is sinful, unacceptable and will not be tolerated. The following comprise the Child Abuse Prevention Policy of the Campground:

- Any Camp Worker who physically or sexually abuses a camper will be subject to immediate discipline (up to an including dismissal from the Campground) and will be reported to the Department of Child Services/Child Protective Services and/or law enforcement authorities.
- The Camp Director's Office shall encourage the reporting of suspected incidents of abuse or neglect of campers and children on the Campground and during camp activities and will promptly investigate all such complaints in a manner that is discreet, fair and caring and that shows deep concern for any victim of child abuse or neglect.
- The Camp Director's Office shall designate a "Confidential Camp Counselor" to whom any Camper or child participating in Camp activities can go to at any time, without special permission, to discuss any problem he or she may be having.
- For purposes of the Camp Child Abuse Prevention Policy, child abuse or neglect refers to a child who is under the age of 18 and alleged to be a "child in need of services" of a "Victim of Child Abuse or Neglect" as defined by the Indiana Statutes. (Currently set forth in IC 31-34-1-1 through IC 31-34-1-5 and IC 31-34-1-10 through IC-31-34-1-13.)
- All suspected incidents of child abuse or neglect, as encompassed by the terms "Child in Need of Services" and "Victim of Child Abuse or Neglect," are to be immediately reported to the Department of Child Services (DCS)/Child Protective Services (CPS). The DCS/CPS 24 Hour Hotline for reporting child abuse or neglect is: 1-800-800-5556 or via the web at [www.in.gov/laws](http://www.in.gov/laws).
- The Office of Camp Director shall, at the Camp Worker interview/orientation, review, discuss and make available to each Camp Worker material including a copy of the current DCS Protocol pertaining to child abuse and neglect and physical and behavioral indicators of abuse. The purpose of such review, discussion and material is to educate and alert Camp Workers as to what constitutes abuse or neglect for purposes of reporting, to educate Camp Workers as to how to make a good faith report and to whom/what organization such a report should be made and when, and to alert Camp Workers to the signs of abuse and neglect so that recognition and detection of abuse and neglect can occur as early as possible.
- Camp Workers are to immediately report suspected incidents of child abuse or neglect to the Confidential Camp Counselor/Camp Director's Office, which will investigate and, if appropriate, report the incident to the DCS/CPS and/or other proper authorities. Camp Workers are to maintain confidentiality, discretion and sensitivity at all times when dealing with suspected incidents of child abuse or neglect and are not to discuss such matters with any individual outside of the Confidential Camp Counselor/Camp Director's Office or the Camp Chain of Command. The foregoing does not prohibit a Camp Worker from also making an immediate good faith report of suspected child abuse directly to the DCS/CPS and/or other proper authorities.

Further, in order prevent situations in which child abuse or neglect is more likely to occur and to avoid the very appearance of evil; all Camp Workers shall adhere to the following guidelines:

- Not less than two Camp Workers must be present at all times for all organized activities for Campers.
- No private one-on-one contact between a Camp Worker and a Camper is allowed at any time. An exception will be made if the Camp Worker is the parent or guardian of the Camper. Any counseling, prayer or meetings that require a private discussion between a Camp Worker and a Camper must be conducted in the view of other Camp Workers and Campers.
- Camp Workers must respect the privacy of Campers in situations where Campers are changing clothes, using the restroom and taking showers. Camp Workers should intrude on such privacy only to the extent that health and safety require. Camp Workers are to protect their own privacy in similar situations.

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## ***Nondiscrimination Policy***

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The Campground welcomes campers of any race, color, national origin or ethnic origin to the activities generally made available at the Campground and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, national or ethnic origin in the provision or administration of its programs.

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### ***Sexual Harassment Policy***

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Sexual harassment of camp personnel or campers is sinful, unacceptable and will not be tolerated on the Campground or during Camp activities. The following comprise the Sexual Harassment Policy of the Campground:

- Any Camp Worker engaging or participating in sexual harassment on the Campground or during Camp activities will be subject to immediate discipline (up to and including dismissal from the Campground) and prompt corrective measures will be taken to stop sexual harassment whenever and wherever it occurs.
- The Camp Director's Office shall encourage the reporting of sexual harassment on the Campground or during camp activities and will promptly investigate all such complaints in a manner that is discreet, fair and caring and that shows deep concern for any victim of sexual harassment.
- The Camp Director's Office shall designate a "Confidential Camp Counselor" to whom any individual participating in Camp activities can go to at any time, without special permission, to discuss any problem he or she may be having.
- Harassment on the basis of sex is a violation of Section 703 of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature constitute sexual harassment when (1) submissions to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term of condition or an individual's employment or status as a volunteer, (2) submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for decisions regarding employment or status as a volunteer affecting such individual, or (3) such conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's performance or their duties or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.
- Individuals who feel camp personnel have subjected them to any type of sexual harassment are encouraged and should immediately report any such incident to the Confidential Camp Counselor/Camp Director's Office who will promptly investigate and take appropriate corrective action.
- Individuals are encouraged to report sexual harassment and will not suffer any retaliation for making such a complaint.

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### ***Discipline Policy***

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- Discipline shall be handled by Camp Director, who may consult with on site District Presbyterian as needed
- No disciplinary action shall be performed by Dorm Supervisor
- No denial of food and/or sleep shall be used as punishment
- No corporal punishment shall be used
- Discipline shall be fair and just and always administered in Christian love and kindness
- No child shall be used for sport or ridicule as a form of punishment

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### ***First Aid Policy***

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- A Red Cross First-Aid kit shall be in easy access to central camp area, stored in Nurses Station and/or camp office
- Staff Nurse/LPN/EMT shall direct all first aid when possible

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### ***Nurse/LPN/EMT Reporting Policy***

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- Health Officer's Report must be submitted daily to Camp Comptroller
- Infirmary needs based on 20 campers must be in supply at all times

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### ***Accident Reporting Policy***

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- The Accident Report form must be filled out in case of accident

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### ***Health Service Policy***

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- An RN/LPN/EMT shall be on staff as the Health Officer

- On-call health care consultation shall be arranged through Hancock County Memorial Hospital, Greenfield, Indiana
- Emergency care shall be arranged with Hancock County Memorial Hospital, Greenfield, Indiana.
- First Aid supplies for at least 20 persons shall be in supply
- Stored prescription drugs shall be locked in cabinet
- Administration of prescription drugs shall be according to prescribed methods per the order of parent or physician of camper
- All staff is to be instructed to watch for any health problems that may appear
- Parents or legal guardians shall be promptly notified of any health problems

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***Trash And Garbage Policy***

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- All grounds shall be policed each day during camp weeks:
- All trash cans emptied at least once each day or as needed
- All trash and garbage shall be placed in the proper receptacles
- Private cabin lessees shall deliver trash to disposal areas
- Trash containers shall be emptied as needed by professional haulers
- Any large appliances and/or building material scrap shall be disposed of at the expense of the cabin lessees and shall be done so as soon as possible. No such material shall be placed in or near the trash containers
- All garbage and trash should first be placed in plastic bags before being brought to the trash containers
- No private dumping allowed anywhere on camp property
- No burning allowed with the exception of tree and shrub pruning debris, which may be burned only with permission of caretaker and in designated areas.

## ***Severe Weather Policy***

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***Each Camp Director shall instruct the campers of the Weather Alert Policy procedures at the beginning of each camp.***

- Policy and evacuation routes must be posted in each dorm near the main entrance
- In case of severe weather, seek an official weather report.
- Maintain a weather alert radio with fresh batteries in Conqueror Hall office area during all camp sessions.
- Monitor weather band at all times during threatening weather
- Sound a warning for bad weather or tornado
- Once a tornado warning has been sounded, or Camp Director feels the weather to be threatening, he shall:
  - Sound an alarm distinct from any other such alarms, bells, sirens, whistles, etc.
  - All Dorm Supervisors shall gather their campers together at once.
  - Direct all campers and staff to proceed to the Tabernacle
  - Direct all campers and staff to assemble in designated area.
    - Suggested first safe area is the restrooms of the Dorms
    - Second option is the auditorium, in the corners of the building.
  - Camp Director should do a number check, at once by dorm.
  - Appoint a search team to seek any missing campers or staff at once
  - Direct everyone to remain in position until storm passes
  - Sound an All Clear to let everyone know the danger has passed



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***Sale or Transfer of Camp Property***

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Individuals interested in buying or selling a cabin or lot at the Indiana District Campground shall observe the following procedure:

- Write a letter to Camp Comptroller requesting the necessary paper work for transfer of property.
- Fill out form and return to Camp Comptroller accompanied with a letter from the purchaser's pastor stating that they are in good standing.
- The Camp Comptroller completes necessary information on the property transfer and sends to District Board for approval.
- The District Board approves or disapproves transfer and returns form to Camp Comptroller.
- Camp Comptroller writes contract and gives to purchaser.

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***Camp Forms***

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***Accident Or Illness Report Revised: 2006***

Name Of Injured:			Name Of Policy Provider:		
Address of Insured:			Facility Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:	City:	State:	Zip:
Name Of Witness:		Address: (Street, City, State, Zip)		Phone:	
Name Of Witness:		Address: (Street, City, State, Zip)		Phone:	
Date:				Location:	
Describe accident of illness:					
Describe the circumstances surrounding the accident. What was the central cause of the injury?					
What First Aid Action was used?					
When was this done:			Who Provided aid?		
Injury or Illness as described by Physician:			Name Of Diagnosing Physician:		
			Physician's Phone Number:		
Were there Handicaps, past problems					
If yes, please explain:					
If fatality, what was the cause of death?					
			Was Autopsy performed?		
After investigation, are there any steps you would recommend to minimize a reoccurrence of the situation?					
Signature of Reporting Nurse/LPN/EMT:			Signature of Camp Official:		
Title:	Date:		Title:	Date:	

**Camp Inspection Checklist**

Each Camp Director and Assistant Camp Director shall conduct a Camp Inspection after each camp.

Δ 8-9 Camp      Δ 10-11      Camp Δ 12-14      Δ 15-18      Δ Hyphen

**Dorms:**

<b>Item:</b>	<b>Location:</b>	<b>Damage:</b>
<i>Screens/Windows</i>		
<i>Walls</i>		
<i>Beds/Mattresses</i>		
<i>Shower/Curtains/Toilets</i>		
<i>Lighting</i>		
<i>Racks/Closet Poles</i>		
<i>Other</i>		

**Tabernacle:**

<b>Item:</b>	<b>Location:</b>	<b>Damage:</b>
<i>General Inspection</i>		

**Chapel**

<i>General Inspection</i>		



**Final Area Cleaning Checklist**

Area	Beeds	Trash	Floor	Toilets	Shower	Bathroom Floor	Grounds
<b>Girls</b>							
<i>Dorm 1</i>							
<i>Dorm 2</i>							
<i>Dorm 3</i>							
<i>Dorm 4</i>							
<i>Dorm 5</i>							
<i>Dorm 6</i>							
<b>Boys</b>							
<i>Dorm 7</i>							
<i>Dorm 8</i>							
<i>Dorm 9</i>							
<i>Dorm 10</i>							
<i>Dorm 11</i>							
<i>Dorm 12</i>							
Basketball							
Softball							
Volleyball							
Ice Cream							

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***Golf Cart Authorization***


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**Indiana District UPCI**  
**Indiana Camp golf cart policy**

**THE RULES**

**Violations:**

To better your golf cart experience at camp, there are some rules you must comply with. The district camp golf cart policy is in our District manual.

Golf cart renters are required to leave a credit card on file with the camp office as a deposit in case of the following violations:

- A minor under the age of 16 driving the cart without a valid license - \$10.00
- Headlight or tail light damage - \$20.00
- More than the maximum number of people on the cart – (max 4 in carts w/ 2 seats -\$10.00
- Negligent driving – determined by the security officer on duty - \$10.00
- Not following posted traffic direction signage - \$10.00
- Driving carts on public streets or roads - \$10.00
- Towing carts, bicycles, or any other object - \$10.00
- Driving while holding an infant or child in your lap - \$10.00
- Driving your cart without a muffler or a defective muffler - \$10.00
- Parking in non-designated areas - \$10.00

**Damages:**

Furthermore, as with any personal property, care must be taken. All golf cart drivers and drivers of all off-road and motorized vehicles bear responsibility for **every/and any** damage to camp-owned carts and any personal property damaged using camp-owned carts. The above-listed drivers/owners must leave a Liability and Violation deposit to operate on the campgrounds. Indiana UPC Camp will hold deposits by camp-authorized personnel. **Indiana District UPCI is authorized to make any charge against the liability and violation deposit for damages. In case of loss or theft of district-owned golf carts, the renter is responsible for the total replacement cost.** In case of damage to district-owned carts, the renter will pay for the damages at the prevailing retail price of parts, small materials, and labor at the rate of \$25.00 per hour. In addition, the renter will pay for any lost rentals while the car is lost or damaged.

In addition to the above, district-owned cart renter will be charged as follows in case of loss and/or damage: (List serves as an example of most common damages. Damages are not limited to the following):

- Cart key lost/stolen or damaged - \$20.00
- Security lock lost/stolen or damaged - \$20.00
- Canopy top damaged - \$500.00
- Seat bottom lost/stolen or damaged - \$200.00
- Seat back lost/stolen or damaged - \$50.00 ea.
- Headlight lost/stolen or damaged - \$45.00
- Tail light lost/stolen or damaged - \$65.00
- Altered motor - \$50.00
- Bezel lost/stolen or damaged - \$20.00
- Footrest damaged - \$150.00
- Windshield damage - \$200.00
- Tires/wheel lost/stolen or damaged - \$65.00
- Cart stickers lost/stolen or damaged - \$60.00



### ***Golf Cart Authorization***

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, an adult camper at the Indiana District Campground at Ingalls, Indiana, for the dates of \_\_\_\_\_  
To \_\_\_\_\_ hereby request permission to operate a golf cart on the campground during the above dates. The golf cart I will be operating is described as follows: \_\_\_\_\_, Serial No \_\_\_\_\_.

I now state that I will not permit a person under sixteen (16) years of age to operate said golf cart while on the Indiana District Campground.

I now state that I have insurance coverage concerning said golf cart for damage to the cart itself and for liability to third parties for any property damage and/or personal injury arising from the operation of the said golf cart. That said, insurance is with the following insurance company: \_\_\_\_\_.

I further state that I will hold harmless Indiana District Campground, its officers, and its employees for damages and injuries occasioned by improper or negligent use of my above-described golf cart whether the injury or loss is due to my actions, the actions of a family member, the actions of a third-party operating said golf cart or the actions of an officer or employee of the campground.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Card #

\_\_\_\_\_  
Exp. date

\_\_\_\_\_  
zip code

\_\_\_\_\_  
ccv #

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Authorization for the operation of the above-described golf cart on the dates specified is now approved.

Indiana District Campground

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Please sign and return To the Campground Office before using a cart on the campground!



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## CAMP POLICY

Inasmuch as the Indiana District Campground of the United Pentecostal Church is the center of activity in our entire District and involves the several departments of our fellowship, the Indiana District Board felt of necessity to form a Camp Policy, stating certain rules and regulations to govern the operations of a campground that is of great magnitude in business operation and spiritual standards to our organization; we now therefore institute the following policy:

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### Section 1 Supervision

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Throughout all camps there shall be at least one District Board member and the department head or secretary of each respective camp on the grounds at all times to assist in all camp problems. We encourage all campers not to take minor problems to our District Superintendent and further respect his privacy and his time so that he may give his attention to the greater problems of the district.

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### Section 2 Maintenance

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1. The water and sewage facilities are complex systems and only an authorized person designated by the District Board shall maintain and repair the central systems. (Cottage owners are responsible for repair and up-keep of water and sewage from their respective cottages.) Water to cottages shall be turned on and off by the camp caretaker or a responsible person authorized by the District Board.
2. Each department shall be responsible for the cleanliness of campgrounds during their respective camp. Damage to cottages, dormitories, or any other camp facility caused by excessive abuse on the part of any camper or campers which results in excessive repairs; cost of said repairs shall be assessed to the respective department, which may be passed on to the parents of children involved. It is suggested that each department delegate the following responsibilities to their board members:
  - A. There shall be planned clean up for all buildings each day; grounds, dormitories, and restrooms.
  - B. The auditorium must be cleaned each day.
  - C. Restrooms must be cleaned each day and paper supplies kept in the proper receptacles.
  - D. There must be a final clean-up of each respective camp which will be followed by an inspection by members of the District Board.
3. The use and maintenance of recreation equipment and grounds used for recreation shall be supervised by one person appointed by each department board for their respective camp. There shall be an Inventory at the beginning and close of each camp by the department in charge.
4. Furniture, materials and equipment shall not be moved from their respective buildings except by permission of the camp director or District Board. No mattress shall be removed from dormitory beds. Positively no stacking of mattresses.

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### Section 3. Personnel.

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All camp plans by department heads shall be submitted to the District Board for approval together with the name, address, age, pastor's name and home church of all camp personnel to be used for respective camps prior to the camps they shall serve. Approval of the respective pastors shall be required for all personnel used in the camps. The District Board must sanction any free meals and/or rooms that are to be provided for those having official responsibilities designated by the departments of their respective camps. Not more than one child per worker will be considered for free meals without express permission of the District Board. All camp personnel must be members in good standing with one of our United Pentecostal Churches. Names of all proposed speakers and teachers for each camp shall be submitted by the respective departments to be passed upon by the District Board prior to contacting them. It is suggested that the speakers and teachers be provided room and meals on the campground if possible.

1. Ushers

Must be passed upon by the department heads for their responsible positions and will be provided only with dormitory privileges. All camper rules shall apply.

2. Cafeteria Personnel

All cafeteria personnel shall serve under the direction of the cafeteria supervisor. All cafeteria personnel must wear a badge for Identification to receive proper consideration for free meals. All camp rules shall apply to cafeteria personnel. Minimum age of 16 years is required and adult supervision will be maintained in dormitories or cottages where non-adults are housed.

3. Concession Stand

Concession stand managers shall be appointed by the District Board and shall be separate from the kitchen supervisor. The concession stand shall be completely closed during all services. Only authorized personnel shall be allowed in concession stand. Children are not permitted. Minimum age is 16 and supervision will be maintained in dormitories or cottages where non-adults are housed. All camp rules apply to concession stand personnel.

4. Health/Hygiene

Rules of health and hygiene apply to all personnel working in cafeteria and concession stand (State Board of Health required.) Cafeteria supervisor shall provide information and requirements as to the Board of Health requirements. Only authorized personnel shall be allowed in kitchen and traffic serving area. It is to be here stated that we must have a total campground cleanliness: to maintain a respect of cleanliness is next to godliness.

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**Section 4. Finances.**

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Whereas the final responsibility of all financial obligations rest upon the Indiana District Board, we feel it therefore necessary to enforce the following plan:

1. Financial Report

- A. Each department is to submit through their Secretary-Treasurer an itemized report sheet, furnished by the District, as complete as possible to the District Board for their approval, together with a prearranged plan for offerings received through each camp with a completed record at the close of each respective camp.
- B. Offerings and gifts must be by knowledge of the District board. (This helps avoid duplication and misunderstanding.)
- C. All offerings shall be received and counted by the secretary-treasurer and one other designated responsible person as required by the Bonding Insurance Company, and prepared for daily bank deposit, and shall furnish the District Board with a form stating amount and signed by both parties.

2. Tuition

- A. The District Board establishes the tuition for each camp.
- B. All camp registration monies, offerings, concession stand and ice cream stand monies will be deposited into a camp operating account at Fortville, IN. Designated the Indiana District Camp ministries.
- C. All camp and Department expenses pertaining to camp be paid from this fund by the District Secretary-Treasurer.

3. Disbursement

- A. All items purchased in the Fortville area shall be by written requisition.
- B. All major purchases shall be through the office of the District Camp Secretary-Treasurer. It shall be required that all disbursements be made by check.

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**Section 5 Camper**

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- 1. A camper shall be any person who is single, having never been married, and having never been the father or the mother of a child, and who is in the age group of the camp in session and who is duly registered as a camper..

**A. Rules for campers are as follows:**

- (1) All campers must have recommendations of the United Pentecostal Church pastor of their city to attend.
2. All campers shall be required to attend all class sessions, music, services and no loitering outside the tabernacle during evening services.
3. Campers are not to stay in cottages without an adult supervisor officially approved by the department in charge. Campers are not to be present at any time in a cottage where members of the opposite sex are present or reside. When a visitation shall exist, the camper or campers shall be dealt with by the District Board and may be banned from the camp for whatever times the board shall determine. The respective pastors shall also be notified of such actions.
4. Campers shall be required to eat their meals in the cafeteria at the approved time.
5. Campers who drive shall turn their keys in to department heads at the beginning of camp and may only leave by permission of the department head or member of the district board.
6. No camper shall be permitted in any area of the campgrounds beyond the boundary established by the district board.
7. We disapprove and will not allow shorts, split skirts or slacks on the campgrounds.
8. Girls registered at any youth camp must have all dresses decent and below the knees. Dresses and blouses must have sleeves. We disapprove of girls cut, trimmed or unkempt hair and ask all Holy Ghost filled campers to respect this standard and set forth an example for all to follow. The use of lipstick, makeup, or jewelry shall not be permitted. Shirts or sweaters with suggestive writing or pictures will not be allowed.
9. All boys must have decent haircuts. No tight fitting trousers shall be permitted. Boys must wear shirts (no tee shirts) or sweaters. No shirt or sweater with suggestive writing or pictures will be allowed. No jewelry, mustaches or beards will be allowed on boys.
10. Recreational activities involving both boys and girls shall only be allowed by permission of officials of the camp in session. The District Board must approve all off-campus activity.
11. No person shall be allowed to participate in sports activities that are not directly involved in the respective camp in session.
12. Because of a world reflecting wrong example, the Indiana District Board strongly suggests that all ministers and their wives and lay people set forth an example of modesty in dress and presentation of holiness in example.

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**Section 6. Non-Campers.**

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Any person not registered for the camp in session and not within the age group of the respective camp shall be considered non-campers. Due to the many problems caused by non-registered individuals, the following guidelines have become necessary:

1. Non-campers (unregistered individuals) shall not be allowed in campers' area while it is being used for camper activity, except during evening services and at meals with permission of District Board or department head.
2. All non-campers shall pay for their meals in the cafeteria except where special consideration is granted by officials in charge of said camp in session.
3. All personnel are required to pay for anything received at the concession stand. The District Board only permits exceptions.
4. All non-campers who are not staying on the campground shall be expected to leave the grounds by the time determined by the officials in charge.
5. All non-campers staying on the grounds shall leave the camp area according to the same rule. Non-campers shall not engage in activity after hours that disturb other visitors. All cottage owners should be aware of the above rules and their responsibility to cooperate and assist in the enforcement of the same.

6. No unmarried individual under the age of twenty-one is allowed to stay in a cabin, trailer or tent without adult supervision, and the adult must be at least twenty-one years of age.
7. Anyone under the age of eighteen must register as a camper or be under the supervision of a parent or legal guardian, and guardianship other than a parent/grandparent must be documented with the camp director.
8. A yearly reminder of this rule should be sent from the camp comptroller to all cabin and/or lot owners with the annual assessment.

Enforcement of this rule will fall under the authority already established through the camp policy.

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### **Section 7. Cottage Ownership.**

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Any business transacted as to cottage sales, trade or disposition, shall be conducted according to the requirements set forth in the sales contract. Cottages and landscaping shall be kept neat and in good repair as per contract. All cottage owners are to assist in conservation of water supply and make arrangements to winterize cottage each fall of the year. Water, sewage and insurance assessments will be renewed on an annual basis.

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### **Section 8. Music Department.**

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The music director must understand the camp choir is basically for registered campers. Non-registered campers shall not be allowed to participate in music without the express permission of the District board. Any assistance by persons who are not registered campers shall be under the same disciplinary rules as are registered campers. The music director and assistants shall be under the authority of the department head and the District Board.

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### **Section 9. Other Personnel.**

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Any persons involved in any capacity not already specified shall be under the same general rules as specified for all personnel.

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### **Section 10.**

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We strongly admonish everyone who attends camp to be inside the tabernacle and not to be loitering outside during services.

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### **Section 11.**

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The following statement shall be on all camper's registration forms:

I, (Pastor's name), as pastor of (Camper's name), have advised this applicant of all camp rules and their obligation to abide by them, and I hereby pledge to uphold the camp in all the camp policy.

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**ARTICLE XVII****INDIANA DISTRICT NOT FOR PROFIT STATEMENT – 501(C)(3)**

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This corporation is organized exclusively for the charitable, religious, educational and scientific purposes, including for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any further federal tax code.

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions. In furtherance of the purposes set forth in the preceding paragraph here of. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. And the corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of public office). Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c) (3) of Internal Revenue Code or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any further federal tax code.

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed from one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c) (3)of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government or to a state or local government, for public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes, or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

# **POLICIES OF THE INDIANA DISTRICT OF THE UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH**

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## Code of Ethics

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### *STATEMENT OF PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS OF CONDUCT*

It is the intent of this organization to strive for the highest ethical conduct from all board and staff. The leadership is particularly sensitive to individuals who hold management and governance positions of trust and confidence in fulfilling the mission and goals of the organization. These sensitive positions include officers, key senior staff members designated by the chief executive, and members of the board.

In an effort to achieve the highest standards of conduct, each officer, key staff member, and board member is requested to acknowledge (by signing) the following adopted Code of Ethics each year. This acknowledgement will be kept on file in the employee/officer personnel file.

All officers, key staff members, and members of the board of the organization are required and expected to exercise the highest ethical standards of conduct and practice fundamental honesty at all times.

In support of the organization's standards of high ethical conduct, each officer, key staff member, and board member will not:

- Deceive, defraud, or mislead the organization board members, officers, staff members, managers, supervisors, or other associates, or those with whom the organization has business or other relationships.
- Misrepresent the organization in any negotiations, dealings, contracts, or agreements.
- Divulge or release any information of a proprietary nature relating to the organization's plans, mission, or operational databases without appropriate approval.
- Obtain a personal advantage or benefit due to relationships established by any officer, senior staff member, or board member by use of the organization's name.
- Accept individual gifts of any kind in excess of \$100 in value, in connection with the officer's, key staff member's, or board member's relationship with the organization that could jeopardize all gifts of every kind and value, or put in harm's way the organization. All such gifts are to be reported to the chief financial officer who shall divulge gifts received during the calendar year to the audit committee.
- Withhold their best efforts to perform their duties to acceptable standards.
- Engage in unethical business practices of any type.
- Use the organization property, financial resources, or services of the organization personnel for personal benefit.
- Violate any applicable laws or ordinances.

Infractions of this Statement of Personal and Professional Standards of Conduct are to be reported directly to any member of the Board of Directors and Chairman of the Board who shall, in his or her determination, bring the infraction to the Pastor who shall present a report to the full Board of Directors for action upon the matter accordingly.



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## Compensation Agreement

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The Board of the Church has been authorized by the Church to act upon and review the compensation package for the calendar year of Pastor \_\_\_\_\_ up to a maximum of \$\_\_\_\_\_. In a duly called board meeting, the Board has agreed to act upon the compensation package of the Pastor accordingly.

The Board has taken the time to review the facts concerning the workload of the pastor, his involvement, tenure, educational, previous employment background, comparison with other professional positions and needs of the pastor concerning his compensation. Relying on professional assistance from outside sources, comparing similar compensation structures for other individuals in this position, and based on the facts determined as noted in the attached documents, the Board agrees that the total compensation package of Pastor include the following and be broken down in accordance to the plan established by this church. The church agrees to remit payment for each of these items in the order in which they are listed depending on need and availability of funds.

1. The church agrees to pay the housing allowance for the pastor in conjunction with the pre-established Housing Resolution.
2. The church agrees to remit for the pastor \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month into a qualified retirement benefit package. The pastor has the right to determine where the funds are invested as long as the funds are placed in a *qualified* account.
3. The church will remit for the benefit of the pastor, the premiums of a medical insurance policy for the pastor and/or family.
4. The church agrees to pay for and/or reimburse the pastor for any qualified business expenses that he incurs on behalf of the church as pastor of the assembly. All requirements of the **Qualified Accountable Reimbursement Plan** must be adhered to as approved by the Board.
5. The church agrees to either furnish a vehicle for the Pastor to use in conducting church business, or to reimburse him at the Federal Mileage Rate for the use of his personal vehicle when conducting church related business.
6. The church agrees to pay a salary to the pastor in an amount not to exceed \$\_\_\_\_\_ per year depending on the funds available from the church as established by this compensation agreement, the amount paid as salary may or may not be in equal payments weekly. A W-2 Form will be issued by the church for the salary paid.
7. The pastor may choose if he so desires to have federal and/or state income taxes withheld from his salary to cover his federal and/or state tax liability.

Based on the best of our ability and knowledge, we feel that the total compensation is fair and reasonable. Unless the fact or figures change, this plan shall remain in affect for all subsequent years until changed or modified by the Church Board.

Should the amounts paid to the Pastor be deemed as unreasonable compensation, the Pastor is given the right to repay any amount so needed to be in compliance with current regulations concern unreasonable compensation.

# Computer and Information Systems Policy

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## ***I. Overview***

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Information systems owned and operated by the organization are to be used for institutional purposes in serving the interests of the organization, and of our users in the course of normal day-to-day operations.

Effective security is a team effort involving the participation and support of every user who deals with information and/or information systems. It is the responsibility of every user to know these guidelines, and to conduct his or her activities accordingly.

## ***II. Scope***

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This policy applies to ALL information systems and refers to ALL hardware, data, software, and communications networks associated with these systems whether these systems are owned or leased by the organization or connected to the organization's networks. This policy applies to all users of the organization. In addition to this policy, all users are subject to applicable federal, state and local laws.

## ***III. Computer Usage Guidelines***

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### *A. Authorization and Security*

Each user may only use his/her informational computer account in accordance with its authorized purpose; may not allow other persons to use his/her account; is responsible for safeguarding his/her own computer accounts, specifically the user names and passwords.

Posting by users from an organization's email address to public listings such as social media sites are prohibited, unless posting is in the course of business or organization duties.

All hosts used by users and connected to the organization's computer systems and computer networks, whether owned by the user or the organization must be free of malware of any type, and be safeguarded against infection by continually executing anti-virus software with a current virus database and definitions.

Users must exercise extreme caution when opening email attachments. It is possible that attachments contain viruses, malware or other infected code.

### *B. Auditing and Monitoring Policy*

While the organization desires to respect the privacy of its users, users should be aware that the data created or stored on the organization's computer systems is the property of the organization and is subject to access by the organization as provided below.

For security and network maintenance purposes, the organization may monitor equipment, systems, network traffic and logs at any time. The organization has the option to designate certain personnel to investigate suspected information systems abuse or violations of other organization policies. The organization reserves the right to examine any and all files including email and logs.

Audits may be conducted to: Ensure integrity, confidentiality and availability of information and resources; ensure conformance to the organization's *Computer and Information Systems Policy*; monitor user or system activity where appropriate; and investigate possible security incidents or violations of the organization's policies.

### *C. Access to the organization's Information Systems*

Users must not change, copy, delete, read, or otherwise access files or software without permission of the administration within the organization. Users must not bypass accounting or security mechanisms to circumvent data protection schemes. Users must not attempt to modify software except when intended to be user customized. Users must not prevent others from accessing the system by software modification. Users must exercise caution to prevent the unauthorized or inadvertent disclosure or transmission of sensitive information.

### *D. Software Acquisition and/or Distribution*

Users must not distribute or make available copyrighted proprietary material without the written consent of the copyright holder. Users must not violate copyright, information property or patent laws concerning computer software, documentation, or other tangible assets. Users must not load any copyrighted software

onto any device (except software lawfully loaded onto personally-owned devices) without specific prior permission from management.

Users are strictly prohibited from the unauthorized copying or use of unlicensed software; such action is not considered to be taken in the course of employment. As a result, the organization will not provide legal defense for individuals who may be accused of making unauthorized copies of software even if these individuals maintain that such action was taken in the course of their employment. If the organization is sued or fined because of unauthorized copying or use by users, it may seek payment from the individuals as well as subject them to appropriate disciplinary or legal action.

*E. Decency/Community Values*

Users must not use the organization's computer systems or the organization's computer networks to violate any rules in the organization's handbooks or policy manuals or any local, state, or federal laws.

A user shall disclose to the appropriate organization authorities any misuses of computing resources as well as potential loopholes in computer systems security and cooperate with appropriate organization and other authorities in the investigation of abuses.

The organization provides access to various resources, such as the Internet, through its network. The organization does not tolerate the use of information systems for pornographic or other uses that are inappropriate in a Christian setting or that violate the values set forth in the organization's handbooks. Values violations include **computer misconduct, harassment, disorderly conduct, disrespect for others, insubordination, lewd and indecent conduct, misrepresentation or forgery, slander, and other conduct that is not consistent with the organization's moral and Christian values.** In addition to the termination of computer use privileges, employees found guilty of values violations are subject to disciplinary action as set forth in the organization's handbooks.

*F. Email Usage*

Users must exercise utmost caution when sending any email from inside the organization to an outside network.

## ***IV. Unacceptable Use of Information Systems***

The following activities are prohibited. The lists below are not intended to be an exhaustive list of unacceptable conduct, but rather provide examples of types of activities, which violate the organization's rules. The organization reserves the right to take appropriate disciplinary action against any user who violates the letter or spirit of these rules and policies. Sanctions imposed by the organization in response to violations shall be in addition to fines or penalties that may be imposed by law enforcement authorities for illegal acts.

*A. Privacy Violations*

- Attempting to access another user's computer files or data without permission
- Supplying or attempting to supply false or misleading identification information to access another user's account
- Unauthorized "borrowing" or examination of another user's data or output
- Deliberate, unauthorized attempts to access or use the organization's resources, computer facilities, networks, programs, data, or any system files other than those designated for public access
- Unauthorized capturing of data from computer systems or computer networks
- Solicitation of email for any other email address, other than that of the poster's account, with the intent to harass or to collect replies.

*B. Theft*

- Using any method to avoid normal charges for the use of computer resources
- Abuse of specific computer resources, such as the Internet or the organization computer networks
- Attempting unauthorized or illegal access to computers outside the organization using the organization's computers or computer networks
- Removing or moving organization owned computer equipment or audio/visual equipment without proper authorization

- Executing any form of network monitoring which may intercept data not intended for the user's host
- Providing information about or a list of organization employees to parties outside the organization
- Unauthorized use or forging of email header information
- Unauthorized capturing of data from computer systems or computer networks

*C. Vandalism*

- Alteration, or attempted alteration, of user system software, data, or other files, as well as resource or equipment destruction or disruption
- Intentional introduction or spreading of computer viruses, malware, email bombs or other software which causes harm to information systems or to another user's account
- Tampering with or obstructing organization information systems
- Inspecting, modifying, or distributing data or software without proper authorization, or attempting to do so
- Effecting security breaches or disruptions of network communication. Security breaches include, but are not limited to, accessing data of which the user is not an intended recipient or logging into a server or account that the user is not expressly authorized to access, unless these duties are within the scope of regular duties. For purposes of this section, "disruption" includes, but is not limited to, network sniffing, ping floods, packet spoofing, denial of service, and forged routing information
- Damaging computer network related hardware, computer hardware or software

*D. Copyright Issues*

The organization owns licenses to a number of proprietary programs. Users who redistribute software from the computing systems break agreements with organization software suppliers, as well as applicable copyright, patent, and trade secret laws. Therefore, the redistribution of any software from computing systems is strictly prohibited except in the case of software that is clearly marked as being in the public domain. Violations include, but are not limited to:

- Copying, transmitting, disclosing data, software or documentation without proper authorization, or attempting to do so.
- Exporting software, technical information, encryption software or technology, in violation of international or regional export control laws

*E. Harassment*

- Repeated sending of unwanted messages or files
- Generating or storage of spam *on*, or sending of spam from the organization's Information Systems
- Interfering with the legitimate use of computer resources of another user
- Sending of abusive or obscene messages via information systems
- Use of information systems to engage in abuse of users

*F. Unethical or Illegal Use*

- Sending chain letters, unauthorized mass mailings, "Ponzi" or other "pyramid" schemes of any type
- Using the organization's computer systems for non-professional, unethical, or illegal purposes
- Excessive use of the organization's computer networks for personal entertainment (e.g.; radio, television broadcasts, music, games, competitions, file downloads, etc.) that hinders the legitimate work of other users
- Using organization owned computers for recreational purposes
- Personal advertisements or commercial activity
- Port scanning or security scanning
- Posting the same or similar non-business-related messages to large numbers of public listings including

newsgroups

- Personal use for Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, or any other social media format while working for this organization.

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## ***V. Penalties and Enforcement***

Misuse or abuse of the organization's computers, computer systems, computer networks, and data is forbidden. Misuse or abuse of information systems is not simply unethical; it can be a violation of user responsibility and federal laws. Therefore the organization will take appropriate action in response to user misuse, unethical use, or abuse of information systems. Action may include, but is not limited to the following:

- Referral to the appropriate office for disciplinary action
- Referral to appropriate law enforcement authorities outside of the organization
- Access to all computing facilities and system may be suspended temporarily or removed permanently
- Legal action may be taken to recover damages

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## ***VI. Maintenance***

Systems, programs, or any other computer or digital information regarding the daily operation of this organization will be backed up regularly (as prescribed by the administration) and stored in a safe location, preferably off site. All records will be maintained by all users according to the Document Retention & Destruction Policy of this organization.

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## ***VII. Distribution of This Policy***

The organization will ensure that all users are aware of the policy by publishing and distributing it in appropriate media designed to reach all users. Each user will be required to agree to abide by this *Computer and Information Systems Policy*.

## Confidentiality Policy

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Confidentiality is a basic element of the operation of this corporation. To protect the confidentiality of fellow employees, donors, and the organization, no information concerning employees, donors, receivers of benevolence, or organizational business is to be discussed with anyone except when authorized as necessary for the purpose of conducting corporate and organizational business.

All organizational information shall be kept strictly confidential. Only authorized personnel directly responsible for services to the members or for Church business shall discuss or have access to this information. Care must be exercised to be certain that unauthorized individuals do not overhear discussion nor have access to confidential information.

Employees, officers, and directors of this organization understand and agree that during their employment and/or service they may obtain information and documents which are confidential and/or privileged and proprietary in nature and which must be kept confidential both during and after their term of employment or service.

As such, all employees, officers, and directors are required to return any such documents containing privileged or confidential information whenever requested or at the time of the termination of employment or expiration of service. This would include but not be limited to and financial statements or reports, donor records, corporate records such as by-laws, resolutions, article of incorporation, and any banking information. In addition all keys, passwords, or other information allowing access to this organization's data shall be returned when leaving employment or position.

Any such employee or director that divulges confidential or privileged information, whether during or after his term of employment or service, is subject to appropriate discipline, including dismissal, or other criminal sanctions as allowed by law. Employees, officers, and directors recognize that the employer has a proprietary interest in any such information and/or documents and could cause irreparable damage as a result of any disclosure or dissemination thereof.

Breaches of confidential information are subject to full disciplinary action as allowed by this organization or according to the laws of the State in which this corporation is incorporated, up to and including immediate termination and/or removal including legal sanctions as necessary, such as civil or criminal penalties or charges.

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# Confidentiality Agreement

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## ***For employees, officers, directors, and volunteers***

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All organizational information shall be kept strictly confidential. Only authorized personnel directly responsible for services to the members or for Church business shall discuss or have access to this information. Care must be exercised to be certain that unauthorized individuals do not overhear discussion nor have access to confidential information.

Employees, officers, and directors of this organization understand and agree that during their employment and/or service they may obtain information and documents which are confidential and/or privileged and proprietary in nature and which must be kept confidential both during and after their term of employment or service.

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*(NOTE: This page is to be given to the employee, officer, director, or volunteer for their personal files)*

### ***CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT***

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I, as an employee, officer, director, or volunteer of this organization do verify that I have been provided with a copy of and have read the Confidentiality Policy and fully understand its contents. I agree to abide by this policy as written and provided to me.

Signature (Employee, officer, directors, volunteer) (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Date

*Witness:*

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*(NOTE: The organization provides to the individual the confidentiality policy and maintains this portion of the signed agreement.)*

## Conflict Of Interest Policy

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The corporation does hereby establish a conflict of interest policy for the protection of this tax-exempt corporation when it enters into a transaction or business arrangement that might benefit the private interest of an officer, director, or other interested parties.

1. Any director, officer, or member of any committee with a governing board that can delegate powers, who has a direct or indirect financial interest, as defined in this policy, is an interested party.
2. A person has a financial interest if the person has either directly or indirectly through a business, investment, or family connection with the organization.
3. In connection with any potential conflict of interest, an interested person must disclose the existence of the financial interest and be given the opportunity to disclose all material facts to the directors or officers of the corporation.
4. After disclosure of any conflict of interest, the interested party shall not participate in the discussion by the board while the determination of a possible conflict is discussed and determined.
5. An interested person may make a presentation at the board meeting but may not be present with the board during the discussion and determination of any possible conflict of interest.
6. The chairperson of the board shall appoint a disinterested person or committee to investigate any methods of alternatives to the proposed arrangement.
7. The board shall determine whether the corporation can obtain with reasonable efforts a more advantageous transaction or arrangement from a person or entity that would not give rise to the possible conflict.
8. The board shall use all due diligence in business transactions to determine whether or not a conflict of interest has arisen and shall use all diligence when gathering facts and making its determination.
9. All records shall be maintained by the secretary of the board or an appropriate party appointed by the chairman of the board.
10. No party or board member shall receive any compensation, other than reimbursement of documented expenses, for any activity or involvement in a meeting or fact-finding that would determine a possible conflict of interest.
11. The board of directors shall periodically review the conflict of interest policy and shall make any changes necessary to maintain compliance with current regulations.
12. The board or any interested party may use any outside professional assistance as needed. If any outside party is used for any reason, their use shall never relieve the board of any responsibility as stated in the corporation's by-laws.



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# Crisis Communication Policy

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## ***General Policy***

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This organization is committed to taking a preemptive approach to public relations crises, using disclosure whenever possible as the preferred strategy for preventing or minimizing public relations crises.

No one is authorized to speak to the news media in a crisis without clearance from the office of the President or Chairman of the Board unless the crisis involves either of these positions. If the President or Chairman is not available, a member of the Board of Directors shall be selected by the Board to be the spokesman to the news media.

The President will be responsible for developing crisis communication strategies. These strategies will be circulated and reviewed periodically, as needed, by the board and the staff.

## ***Crisis Prevention***

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The President will maintain regular contact with the staff, advising the appropriate administrator(s) when internal issues or developments appear likely to lead to public relations problems.

Similarly, this organization's administration will regularly notify the President of internal developments that may escalate into public relations crises.

The President and his designated staff also will monitor local, state, and national news coverage of field issues, advising the appropriate administrator(s) of issues and/or trends that might lead to negative stories or opportunities for this organization to support public dialogue on issues central to its work.

## ***Crisis Response***

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When crises erupt, the President will gather and verify information about the crisis, assess the severity of the crisis, and develop strategies concerning how information is to be released, who should speak for this organization, and who is to be notified. He will also will work out logistical details of releasing information, and distribute verified information as quickly as possible to internal and external audiences.

## ***Crisis Communication Procedure***

### ***I. Types of Crises***

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#### ***A. Foreseeable Crises***

1. Crisis assessment: The President or his designee will be notified immediately of an emerging crisis and will determine the necessary strategy and who should be involved.
2. The President will format a crisis team: The team will gather as many details as possible, recommend strategies for internal and external communication

#### ***B. Sudden Crises***

1. Immediate action: When the sudden occurrence of a severe crisis precludes convening a crisis team, the President will draft and implement a strategy immediately and notify as many of the Board of Directors as possible.
2. After implementing "first-wave" communication strategy, the President will convene the crisis team to develop ongoing strategy.

### ***II. Establishing a Clear Line of Communication***

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Communications will be handled by the President or his designee. The designee is authorized to gather and verify information in a crisis, and will be the only ones authorized to release information.

### ***III. Releasing Information Internally***

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Whenever practical, the President will attempt to inform this organization's employees of crises in any appropriate manner before details are released externally.

### ***IV. Informing Outside Parties***

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The communications team will coordinate notification of key stakeholders and outside parties likely to be affected by or strongly interested in the crisis. The board and staff should also receive regular updates on the crisis and talking points so that they can work with their community contacts to spread the organization's messages.

### ***V. Releasing Information to the News Media***

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- A. The President and his team will work to supply verifiable details to the news media as rapidly as possible.
- B. After releasing information, the communication team will monitor the news coverage and quickly correct any errors that are made and its assessment of the lessons learned and any new guidelines for the next crisis.

### ***VI. Evaluation and Follow-Up***

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- A. The communication team will document the news coverage surrounding a crisis, including wire stories, newspaper articles, radio, and television broadcasts.
- B. When the crisis is past, the President and his team will supply the Board of Directors and the staff with a summary of news coverage.

## Discrimination Policy

In order to remain in compliance with the regulations of non-profit organizations as required by the Internal Revenue Service, the Board approves the follow resolution.

### ***DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT:***

*No person shall be excluded from membership in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination in any program or activity of the organization on the basis of race, color, gender, prior religious affiliation, physical or mental challenge, age, or national origin.*

## Document Retention and Destruction Policy

### ***I. Purpose***

In accordance with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, which makes it a crime to alter, cover up, falsify, or destroy any document with the intent of impeding or obstructing any official proceeding, and in accordance with the need to maintain certain documents for verification and future usage, this policy provides for the systematic review, retention and destruction of documents received or created by this Organization in connection with the transaction of organization business. This policy covers all records and documents, regardless of physical form, contains guidelines for how long certain documents should be kept and how records should be destroyed. The policy is designed to ensure compliance with federal and state laws and regulations, to eliminate accidental or innocent destruction of records and to facilitate the Organization's operations by promoting efficiency and freeing up valuable storage space.

### ***II. Document Retention***

This Organization follows the document retention procedures outlined below. Documents that are not listed, but are substantially similar to those listed in the schedule will be retained for the appropriate length of time.

#### ***Corporate Records***

	<b><u>Length</u></b>
Annual Reports to Secretary of State/Attorney General	Permanent
Articles of Incorporation	Permanent
Board Meeting and Board Committee Minutes	Permanent
Annual Meeting Minutes Board Policies/Resolutions By-laws	Permanent
Construction Documents	Permanent
Fixed Asset Records	Permanent
IRS Application for Tax-Exempt Status (Form 1023) IRS	Permanent
Non-Profit Determination Letter	
State Sales Tax Exemption Letter	15 yrs. after disposal of item
Contracts (after expiration) Correspondence (general) Email	Permanent
Messages (general)	
Accounting and Corporate Tax Records Annual Audits and Financial Statements Depreciation Schedules	Permanent
General Ledgers	15 yrs. after disposal of item
IRS Tax Returns	8 years
Business Expense Records	8 years
IRS Forms 1099's Journal Entries Purchase/sales Invoices	5 years
Sales Records (book sales, concessions, gift shop)	5 years

<b>Petty Cash Vouchers</b>	5 years
Cash Receipts	5 years
Credit Card Receipts/invoices	5 years
Bank Records Check Registers Bank Deposit Slips	3 years
Bank Statements and Reconciliation	3 years
Electronic Fund Transfer Documents	3 years
	7 years

### Payroll and Employment Tax Records

Payroll Registers	7 years
State Unemployment Tax Records	7 years
Earnings Records Garnishment Records Payroll Tax returns	5 years
W-2 Statements	7 years
	7 years

### Employee Records

Employment and Termination Agreements	7 years
Retirement and Pension Plan Documents	5 years
Records Relating to Promotion, Demotion or Discharge	7 years
Accident Reports and Worker's Compensation Records	
Salary Schedules	
Employment Applications I-9 Forms & W-4 Forms Time Cards	7 years
	Permanent

### Contribution Records

Donor Records and Acknowledgement Letters	Permanent
Grant Applications and Contracts	5 years after termination
Offering Envelopes	6 years
<b>Legal, Insurance and Safety Records</b>	Permanent
Appraisals	Permanent
Copyright Registrations Environmental Studies Insurance Policies	Permanent
Real Estate Documents	7 years after cancellation
Stock and Bond Records Trademark Registrations	Permanent
Leases	
<b>OSHA Documents</b>	Permanent
General Contracts	Permanent
Correspondence regarding legal matters	6 years after expiration

## **III. Electronic Documents and Records**

Electronic documents will be retained as if they were paper documents. Therefore, any electronic files, including records of donations made online, that fall into one of the document types on the above schedule will be maintained for the appropriate amount of time. If a user has sufficient reason to keep an email message, the message should be printed in hard copy and kept in the appropriate file or moved to an "archive" computer file folder. Backup and recovery methods will be tested on a regular basis. It is recommended that donor records be printed and preserved in addition to having the information stored electronically.

## **V. Emergency Planning**

The Organization's records will be stored in a safe, secure and accessible manner. Documents and financial files that are essential to keeping Arts Organization operating in an emergency will be duplicated or backed up

at least every week and maintained off site. All computerized accounting records, payroll records, personnel records, tax records, contribution records, and any other vital records used on a regular basis shall be backed up at least weekly and kept off premises. A standard procedure for backup shall be implemented and maintained by the chief financial officer.

## ***VI. Document Destruction***

The Organization's chief financial officer is responsible for the ongoing process of identifying its records, which have met the required retention period and overseeing their destruction. Destruction of financial and personnel-related documents will be accomplished by shredding.

Document destruction will be suspended immediately, upon any indication of an official investigation or when a lawsuit is filed or appears imminent. Destruction will be reinstated upon conclusion of the investigation or the lawsuit is settled or concluded and all appeal times have passed.

## ***VII. Compliance***

Failure on the part of employees to follow this policy can result in possible civil and criminal sanctions against the Organization and its employees and possible disciplinary action against responsible individuals. The chief financial officer and finance committee chair or Board of Directors will periodically review these procedures with legal counsel or the organization's public accountant to ensure that they are in compliance with new or revised regulations.

# Facility Use Policy

### *Statement of Purpose*

The District's facilities were provided through God's benevolence and by the sacrificial generosity of District members. The District desires that its facilities be used for the fellowship of the Body of Christ and always to God's glory. Although the facilities are not generally open to the public, we make our facilities available to approved non-member persons and groups in the spirit of brotherly love and Christian charity, and as a means of demonstrating the Gospel of Jesus Christ in actual practice.

The facility use will not be permitted to persons or groups holding, advancing, or advocating beliefs, or advancing, advocating, or engaging in practices that conflict with the District's faith or moral teachings, which are summarized in, among other places, the District's by-laws, articles of faith, and position papers. The facilities be not be used for activities that contradict, or are deemed by the pastor as inconsistent with, or contrary to the District's faith or moral teachings. The pastor, or his official designee, is the final decision-maker on whether a person or group is allowed to use District facilities.

This restricted facility use policy is necessary for important reasons. First, the District may not in good conscience materially cooperate in activities or beliefs that are contrary to its faith. Allowing its facilities to be used for purposes that contradict the District's beliefs would be material cooperation with that activity, and would be a grave violation of the District's faith and religious practice. See 2 Corinthians 6:14; 1 Thessalonians 5:22.

Second, it is very important to the District that it presents a consistent message to the community, which the District staff and members conscientiously maintain as part of their witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. To allow facilities to be used by groups or persons who express beliefs or engage in practices contrary to the District's faith would have a severe negative impact on the message that the District strives to promote. It could also be a source of confusion and scandal to District members and the community because they may reasonably perceive that by allowing use of our facilities, the District is in agreement with the beliefs or practices of the persons or groups using District facilities.

Therefore, in no event shall persons or groups who hold, advance, or advocate beliefs, or advance, advocate, or engage in practices that contradict the District's beliefs use any District facility. Nor may facilities be used in any way that contradicts the District's belief. This policy applies to all District facilities, regardless of whether the facilities are connected to the District's sanctuary, because the District sees all of its property as holy and set apart to worship God. See Colossians 3:17.

*Statement of Belief*

Inasmuch as modern society has eroded the biblical ideal of the family and its practical existence, and inasmuch as homosexual couples, unmarried heterosexual couples, and even groups of persons simply maintaining a common household are seeking to gain legal and social status as families, with all due rights and privileges given to families, including but not limited to social benefits or rights as child rearing and custody, spousal, or dependent insurance, inheritance rights, and tax exemptions, and inasmuch as a growing number of states, with the support of certain national leaders, have attempted to change the legal definition of marriage to include same-sex couples.

This District upholds the biblical ideal of the basic family as one man and one woman (Genesis 2:24; Matthew 19:4-9; Ephesians 5:22-25, 28) married by law in accordance with all biblical injunctions; and all offspring of such couple, biological or adopted (Psalms 127:3; Leviticus 14:29; James 1:27); with the extended family being composed of the various relatives of blood and marriage resulting from the lawful union of a man and woman (Leviticus 25:25, 47-49; Numbers 27:6-11; Judges 15:19; Acts 10:2, 11-14; Acts 16:31-32)

The District upholds the biblical ideal of the family in doctrine and example, publicly defending the family as the most critical social institution ordained by God while making all reasonable, practical efforts to resist legal recognition of persons or groups as families when such persons or groups contradict teaching on morality and the family. The District opposes any attempt to change the definition of marriage that broadens this sacred institution from the union of one man and one woman; and will not perform same-sex marriages nor provide the use of its facilities for such.

*Approved Users and Priority of Use*

The pastor or official designee must approve all uses of District facilities. Priority shall generally be given to members of the District, their immediate families, and organized groups that are part of the ministry, organization, or sponsored activities of the District. District facilities and equipment will be made available to non-members or outside groups meeting the following qualifications:

1. Groups or persons requesting facility use must affirm that their beliefs and practices and planned uses of the facilities are in harmony with the District's faith and practice.
2. The group or person seeking facility use must submit a signed "District Facility Reservation Request and Agreement" form.
3. The group or person seeking facility use must be willing to take responsibility for the facilities and equipment used and must agree to abide by the District's rules of conduct for facility use, as stated below and as described in any additional instructions by District staff.

Requests for facility use may be made to the, pastor, secretary, associate or assistant pastor, facilities use coordinator in writing. The event will be reserved and placed on the District calendar only when the pastor or official designee approves the use. There will be a fee to pay for the cost of using the District facility. District members may not be required to pay a fee for usage because maintenance of the facilities will be derived from member tithes and offerings. A clean fee may be charged to anyone using the facility.

*Facility Use Guidelines*

1. Alcohol Policy: No alcohol may be served in District facilities.
2. Smoking Policy: Smoking in any indoor District facilities is prohibited.
3. Groups are restricted to only those areas of the facility that the group has reserved.
4. Food and beverages in classrooms, worship space is not allowed, not allowed without lid, restricted to only the area being used for this particular purpose.
5. District equipment, such as tables and chairs, must be returned to original placement, unless arranged otherwise prior to the event.
6. All lights must be turned off and doors locked upon departure.
7. Clean-up is required at the conclusion of the function. Cleanup can be done by the party using the facility or the District's janitor can clean up, however, there will be a cleaning fee paid prior to the use of the facility.
8. Abusive or foul language, violent behavior, and drug or alcohol abuse are strictly prohibited while using District facilities. Any person exhibiting such behavior will be required to leave the premise.
9. Any person or group must sign the "District Facility Reservation Request and Agreement" form prior to reservation of District facilities.

*Insurance*

For all non-District-sponsored events, the group or person using the facilities must obtain liability insurance coverage. The user must provide documents from the insurance company stating the District is covered with a minimum of \$250,000 in liability insurance and the District being assigned on the policy.

*Agreement*

A copy of this facilities use policy shall be given to anyone wishing to use the District's facilities.

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## Fraud Prevention Policy

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*In order to ensure the accuracy of records and the protection of funds given to the church, the board adopts the following protection and requires that it be implemented in the procedures of the church's accounting system.*

1. Make sure all bills have a purchase order and signed by the person who authorized the purchase. This ensures that unauthorized individuals make no purchases for personal use.
2. Limit the number of people who can authorize purchases and establish a maximum amount that can be authorized by each authorized individual.
3. Maintain control over the on-hand stock of blank checks.
4. Always use sequentially numbered checks and periodically review the numbers to see that none are missing. Check the computer records for continuity of the numbers.
5. The pastor and/or board members should periodically review all paid bills and canceled checks.
6. Do not use signature stamps. Anyone can use a stamp to sign checks. Make sure the authorized person signs the checks only when written. Do not sign blank checks.
7. If you are signing checks to an unfamiliar company, call the company to make sure it is legitimate.
8. Make all disbursements by check. Do not take money from the offerings to pay any bills. Do not pay personal bills from any church account.
9. Have bank statements checked on a monthly basis by the properly authorized person. This should be a person other than the one who pays the bills and reconciles the bank statement.
10. Be sure someone other than the person keeping the books reconciles all bank accounts monthly. The District Secretary should review them upon completion.
11. Make certain that guidelines are followed concerning reimbursement of expenses to any individual. Reimbursement request sheet should be completed with all documentation attached to verify the validity of the expense.
12. If the church has a petty cash box, conduct occasional audits of the petty cash.
13. To improve controls over cash, have someone other than the bookkeeper open the income envelopes and complete the deposit slips. The deposit slips should be kept and compared to the bank statements at the end of each month.
14. Make deposits as quickly as possible. Do not leave money lying around for a lengthy period of time.
15. All permanent records should be kept on church premises. Be careful of allowing money and records to be removed off premises.
16. Periodically review the payroll register for accuracy of wage rates and hours worked and to verify that no fictitious or terminated employee{s} is included.
17. If the church withholds payroll taxes, make sure that all tax deposits are made timely at the local bank. Keep all tax deposit receipts to verified having been made.
18. Advise donors to use contribution envelopes regularly. Keep all contribution envelopes for the required period of time.
19. Distribute quarterly contribution statements so that if a problem has occurred, it can be detected quickly.
20. Avoid using people to handle money or checking accounts who are experiencing financial difficulty in their own lives

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## Gift Acceptance Policy

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This policy is hereby accepted and approved by the Board of Directors of this Organization, known as **Indiana District United Pentecostal Church Inc.** is to be effective the date shown and recorded.

This Organization, a not-for-profit organization organized under the laws of the State of Indiana, hereinafter referred to as Charity), and recognized by the Internal Revenue Service, encourages the solicitation and acceptance of gifts for purposes that will help the Charity to further and fulfill its mission. The following policies and guidelines govern acceptance of gifts made to the Charity or for the benefit of any of its programs.

The mission of the Charity is to: Propagate the gospel message of hope and salvation to a lost generation.

## ***I. Purpose of Policies and Guidelines***

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The Board of Directors of Charity and its staff solicit current and deferred gifts from individuals, corporations, and foundations to secure the future growth and missions of the Charity. These policies and guidelines govern the acceptance of gifts by the Charity and provide guidance to prospective donors and their advisors when making gifts to the Charity. The provisions of these policies shall apply to all gifts received by the Charity for any of its programs or services.

## ***II. Use of Legal Counsel***

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The Charity shall seek the advice of legal counsel in matters relating to acceptance of gifts when appropriate. A review by the legal counsel is recommended for:

- a. Closely held stock transfers that are subject to restrictions or buy-sell agreements
- b. Documents naming the Charity as Trustee
- c. Gifts involving contracts, such as bargain sales or other documents requiring the Charity to assume an obligation
- d. Transactions with potential conflict that may invoke IRS sanctions
- e. Other instances in which use of counsel is deemed appropriate by the Gift Acceptance Committee

## ***III Conflict of Interest***

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The Charity will urge all prospective donors to seek the assistance of personal legal and financial advisors in matters relating to their gifts and the resulting tax and estate planning consequences. The Charity will comply with the all regulation governing any type gift or donation as established by the Internal Revenue Service.

## ***IV. Restrictions on Gifts***

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The Charity will accept unrestricted gifts, and gifts for specific programs and purposes, provided that such gifts are not inconsistent with its stated mission, purposes, and priorities. The Charity will not accept gifts that are too restrictive in purpose. Gifts that are too restrictive are those that violate the terms of the corporate charter (or trust document if Charity is established under trust), gifts that are too difficult to administer, gifts that are for purposes outside the mission of the Charity, or gifts that would violate the standards as established by Non-Profit regulations of the IRS. The Gift Acceptance Committee of the Charity shall make all final decisions on the restrictive nature of a gift and its acceptance or refusal.

## ***V. The Gift Acceptance Committee***

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The gift acceptance committee shall consist of:

- The President of the Charity
- The Secretary/Treasurer of the Charity
- Two members of the Board of Directors as appointed by the President

The gift acceptance committee is charged with the responsibility of reviewing all gifts made to the Charity, properly screening and accepting those gifts, and making recommendations to the Board on gift acceptance issues when appropriate.

## ***VI. Types of Gifts***

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### **A. The following gifts are acceptable:**

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- I. Cash
2. Tangible Personal Property
3. Securities
4. Real Estate
5. Remainder Interests in Property
6. Oil, Gas, and Mineral Interests
7. Bargain Sales



8. Life Insurance
9. Charitable Gift Annuities
10. Charitable Remainder Trusts
11. Charitable Lead Trusts
12. Retirement Plan Beneficiary Designations
13. Bequests
14. Life Insurance Beneficiary Designations

## **B. The following criteria govern the acceptance of each gift form:**

1. **Cash:** Cash is acceptable in any form. Checks shall be made payable to The Charity and shall be delivered to (place title of Charity employee to which gift should be delivered) in the Charity's administrative offices.
2. **Tangible Personal Property:** All other gifts of tangible personal property shall be examined in light of the following criteria:
  - a. Does the property fulfill the mission of the Charity?
  - b. Is the property marketable?
  - c. Are there any undue restrictions on the use, display, or sale of the property?
  - d. Are there any carrying costs for the property?

The final determination on the acceptance of other tangible property gifts shall be made by the Gift Acceptance Committee of the Charity.

3. **Securities:** The Charity can accept both publicly traded securities and closely held securities

**Publicly Traded Securities:** Marketable securities may be transferred to an account maintained at one or more brokerage firms or delivered physically with the transferor's signature or stock power attached. As a general rule, all marketable securities shall be sold upon receipt unless otherwise directed by the Board of Directors. In some cases applicable securities laws may restrict marketable securities. In such instances The Gift Acceptance Committee of the Charity shall make the final determination on the acceptance of the restricted securities.

**Closely Held Securities:** Closely held securities, which include not only debt and equity positions in non-publicly traded companies but also interests in LLPs and LLCs or other ownership forms, can be accepted subject to the approval of the Gift Acceptance Committee of the Charity. However, gifts must be reviewed prior to acceptance to determine that:

- a. There are no restrictions on the security that would prevent Charity from ultimately from ultimately converting those assets to cash
- b. The security is marketable, and
- c. The security will not generate any undesirable tax consequences for the Charity

If potential problems arise on initial review of the security, further review and recommendation by an outside professional may be sought before making a final decision on acceptance of the gift. The Gift Acceptance Committee of the Charity and legal counsel when necessary shall make the final determination on the acceptance of closely held securities. Every effort will be made to sell non-marketable securities as quickly as possible.

4. **Real Estate:** Gifts of real estate may include developed property, undeveloped property, or gifts subject to a prior life interest. Prior to acceptance of real estate, the Charity shall require an initial environmental review of the property to ensure that the property has no environmental damage. Environmental inspection forms are attached as an appendix to this document. In the event that the initial inspection reveals a potential problem, the Charity shall retain a qualified inspection firm to conduct an environmental audit. The cost of the environmental audit shall generally be an expense of the donor.

When appropriate, a title binder shall be obtained by the Charity prior to the acceptance of the real property gift. The cost of this title binder shall generally be an expense of the donor.

Prior to acceptance of the real property, the gift shall be approved by the Gift Acceptance Committee of the Charity and by the Charity's legal counsel. Criteria for acceptance of the property shall include:

- a. Is the property useful for the purposes of the Charity?
- b. Is the property marketable?
- c. Are there any restrictions, reservations, easements, or other limitations associated with the property?
- d. Are there any carrying costs, which may include insurance, property taxes, mortgages, or notes, etc. associated with the property.
- e. Does the environmental audit reflect that the property is not damaged?

5. **Remainder Interests In Property:** The Charity will accept a remainder interest in a personal residence, farm, or vacation property subject to the provisions of paragraph 4 above. The donor or other occupants may continue to occupy the real property for the duration of the stated life. At the death of the donor, the Charity may use the property or reduce it to cash. Where the Charity receives a gift of a remainder interest, expenses for maintenance, real estate taxes, and any property indebtedness are to be paid by the donor or primary beneficiary.
6. **Oil, Gas, and Mineral Interests:** The Charity may accept oil and gas property interests, when appropriate. Prior to acceptance of an oil and gas interest the gift shall be approved by the Gift Acceptance Committee, and if necessary, by the Foundation's legal counsel. Criteria for acceptance of the property shall include:
  - a. Gifts of surface rights should have a value of \$20,000 or greater.
  - b. Gifts of oil, gas and mineral interests should generate at least \$3,000 per year in royalties or other income (as determined by the average of the three years prior to the gift).
  - c. The property should not have extended liabilities or other considerations that make receipt of the gift inappropriate
  - d. A working interest is rarely accepted. A working interest may only be accepted where when there is a plan to minimize potential liability and tax consequences.
  - e. The property should undergo an environmental review to ensure that the Charity has no current or potential exposure to environmental liability.
7. **Bargain Sales:** The Charity will enter into a bargain sale arrangement in instances in which the bargain sale furthers the mission and purposes of the Charity. All bargain sales must be reviewed and recommended by the Gift Acceptance Committee and approved by the Board of Directors. Factors used in determining the appropriateness of the transaction include:
  - a. The Charity must obtain an independent appraisal substantiating the value of the property
  - b. If the Charity assumes debt with the property, the debt ratio must be less than 50% of the appraised market value
  - c. The charity must determine that it will use the property, or that there is a market for sale of the property allowing sale within 12 months of receipt
  - d. The Charity must calculate the costs to safeguard, insure, and expense the property (including property tax, if applicable) during the holding period.
8. **Life Insurance:** The Charity must be named as both beneficiary and irrevocable owner of an insurance policy before a life insurance policy can be recorded as a gift. The gift is valued at its interpolated terminal reserve value, or cash surrender value, upon receipt. If the donor contributes future premium payments, the Charity will include the entire amount of the additional premium payment as a gift in the year that it is made.

If the donor does not elect to continue to make gifts to cover premium payments on the life insurance policy, the Charity may:

  - a. Continue to pay the premiums
  - b. Convert the policy to paid up insurance, or
  - c. Surrender the policy for its current cash value
9. **Charitable Gift Annuities:** The Charity may offer charitable gift annuities. The minimum gift for funding is \$5,000. The Charity President may make exceptions to this minimum. The minimum age for life income beneficiaries of a gift annuity shall be 55. Where a deferred gift annuity is offered, the minimum age for life income beneficiaries shall be 45. No more than two life income beneficiaries will be permitted for any gift annuity. Annuity payments may be made on a quarterly, semi-annual, or annual schedule. The Charity President may approve exceptions to this payment schedule.

The Charity will not accept real estate, tangible personal property, or any other illiquid asset in exchange for current charitable gift annuities. The Charity may accept real estate, tangible personal property, or other illiquid assets in exchange for deferred gift annuities so long as there is at least a 5 year period before the commencement of the annuity payment date, the value of the property is reasonably certain, and the President of the Charity approves the arrangement.

Funds contributed in exchange for a gift annuity shall be set aside and invested during the term of the annuity payments. Once those payments have terminated, the funds representing the remaining principal contributed in exchange for the gift annuity shall be transferred to the Charity's general endowment funds, or to such specific fund as designated by the donor.

10. **Charitable Remainder Trusts:** The Charity may accept designation as remainder beneficiary of a charitable remainder trust with the approval of the Gift Acceptance Committee of the Charity. The Charity will not accept appointment as Trustee of a charitable remainder trust.
11. **Charitable Lead Trusts:** The Charity may accept a designation as income beneficiary of a charitable lead trust. The Board of the Charity will not accept an appointment as Trustee of a charitable lead trust.
12. **Retirement Plan Beneficiary Designations:** Donors and supporters of the Charity will be encouraged to name the Charity as beneficiary of their retirement plans. Such designations will not be recorded as gifts to the Charity until such time as the gift is irrevocable. When the gift is irrevocable, but is not due until a future date, the present value of that gift may be recorded at the time the gift becomes irrevocable.
13. **Bequests:** Donors and supporters of the Charity will be encouraged to make bequests to the Charity under their wills and trusts. Such bequests will not be recorded as gifts to the Charity until such time as the gift is irrevocable. When the gift is irrevocable, but is not due until a future date, the present value of that gift may be recorded at the time the gift becomes irrevocable.
14. **Life Insurance Beneficiary Designations:** Donors and supporters of the Charity will be encouraged to name the Charity as beneficiary or contingent beneficiary of their life insurance policies. Such designations shall not be recorded as gifts to the Charity until such time as the gift is irrevocable. Where the gift is irrevocable, but is not due until a future date, the present value of that gift may be recorded at the time the gift becomes irrevocable.

## ***VII Miscellaneous Provisions***

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- A. **Securing appraisals and legal fees for gifts to the Charity:** It will be the responsibility of the donor to secure an appraisal (where required) and independent legal counsel for the donor by the donor for all gifts made to the Charity.
- B. **Valuation of gifts for development purposes:** The Charity will record a gift received by the Charity at its valuation for gift purposes on the date of gift.
- C. **Responsibility for IRS Filings upon sale of gift items:** The Gift Acceptance Committee of the Charity are responsible for filing IRS Form 8282 upon the sale or disposition of any asset sold within two years of receipt by the Charity when the charitable deduction value of the item is more than \$5,000. The Charity must file this form within 125 days of the date of sale or disposition of the asset. Form 8282 with Filing Instructions is attached as an appendix to these policies.
- D. **Acknowledgements:** Acknowledgement of all gifts made to the Charity and compliance with the current IRS requirements in acknowledgement of such gifts shall be the responsibility of the Board of the Charity. IRS Publication 561 Determining the Value of Donated Property and IRS Publication 526 Charitable Contributions are attached to these policies as an Appendix.

## ***VIII Changes to Gift Acceptance Policies***

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These policies and guidelines have been reviewed and accepted by the Gift Acceptance Committee of the Charity. The Gift Acceptance Committee of the Charity must approve any changes to or deviations from these policies.

## Housing Resolution

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***The Board of Directors of this organization hereby establishes a qualified housing allowance for***  
Rev. \_\_\_\_\_, in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code Section 107 and authorizes  
this individual to pay all qualified housing expenses under this plan.

The housing expenses that can be included in this allowance are utilities, taxes, insurance, repairs and  
maintenance, the cost of furnishing the home, and the rent or payment for the use of the home. The maximum  
amount allowed for the current year under this plan shall not exceed

\$ \_\_\_\_\_. This shall be effective beginning for the year \_\_\_\_\_.

It is the responsibility of the minister to maintain all necessary records, documents, and other supporting  
evidence to verify the allowance. It is understood, based on Code Section 107, that the amounts paid by the  
church are not taxable for Federal and/or State Income Tax purposes, however, the amounts are subject to  
self-employment taxes unless the individual minister has elected to opt out of the social security program by  
having an approved Form 4381 on file.

This designated housing allowance will remain in effect each year hereafter unless and until it is amended  
and approved by the board.

This policy approved by the Indiana District Board on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

***Indiana District United Pentecostal Church Inc.***

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**President:**

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Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Indemnity of Directors/Officers/Agents

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At a duly called and assembled meeting of the Board of Directors of the undersigned corporation, the following resolution was passed:

- (1) The corporation shall indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a part to any threatened, pending or complete action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, administrative, criminal, arbitral or investigative (including an action or suit by or in the right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor) by reason of the fact that he is or was a director or officer of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director or in any other capacity, against judgments, fines, amounts paid in settlement, and expenses, including attorney's fees, actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interest of the corporation, and, with respect to any criminal actions or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was unlawful. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction, or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not of itself create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interest of the corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was not unlawful.
- (2) No indemnification shall be made in any action as to which such person shall have been adjudged grossly negligent or in willful misconduct in the performance of any duty.
- (3) The determination of any fact or issue concerning indemnification shall be determined by the Board of Directors of the corporation and in so determining they may rely upon advice of independent legal counsel.
- (4) The corporation may obtain and maintain any insurance policy that it deems appropriate for any liability assumed by it under this resolution.
- (5) Indemnification hereunder shall not be exclusive of any other rights or policies of insurance that any individual may have independent of this resolution. In the event of reimbursement for other sources, indemnification hereunder shall be abated.

# Marriage & Family Policy

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## ***Statement of Marriage***

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We believe that because God our Creator established marriage as a sacred institution between one man and one woman, the idea that marriage is a covenant only between one man and one woman has been the traditional definition of marriage for all of human history (“Traditional Definition of Marriage”). Because of the longstanding importance of the Traditional Definition of Marriage to humans and their relationships and communities, and, most importantly, the fact that God has ordained that marriage be between one man and one woman, as clearly conveyed in God’s inerrant Scriptures, including for example in *Matthew* 19:4-6 where in speaking about marriage Jesus referred to the fact that “he which made them at the beginning made them male and female,” the Organization hereby creates this policy, which shall be known as the “Marriage Policy” and is a part of the Organization’s By-laws.

Under this Organization’s Marriage Policy, the Traditional Definition of Marriage is the only definition of marriage that will be recognized or accepted. No elder, officer, employee, servant, agent, or any person, corporation, organization, or entity under the direction or control of this Organization shall commit any act or omission, or make any decision whatever, including allowing membership in this organization, that would be inconsistent with, or that could be perceived by any person to be inconsistent with, full support of this Organization’s Marriage Policy and strict adherence to the Traditional Definition of Marriage rather than any alternative to the Traditional Definition of Marriage.

This Organization’s Marriage Policy specifically prohibits acts or omissions including but not limited to permitting any Organization’s assets or property, whether real property, personal property, intangible property, or any property or asset of any kind that is subject to the direction or control of the Organization, to be used in any manner that would be or could be perceived by any person to be inconsistent with this Organization’s Marriage Policy or the Traditional Definition of Marriage, including but not limited to permitting any Organization facilities to be used by any person, organization, corporation, or group that would or might use such facilities to convey, intentionally or by implication, what might be perceived as a favorable impression about any definition of marriage other than the Traditional Definition of Marriage.

We believe that the Scriptures of the Word of God provide direction and instruction regarding the definition of marriage as being between one man and one woman, and this Marriage Policy is based on our belief in the Word of God. (Scriptures: 2 Corinthians 6:14; 1 Thessalonians 5:22; Colossians 3:17; Genesis 2:24; Ephesians 5:22-25, 28). Our belief will not permit the Organization nor its representatives to hold to, advance, advocating beliefs, or advancing, advocating, or engaging in practices that conflict with the Organization’s faith or moral teaching. Allowing the use of our facilities or allowing anyone on our staff for any purpose that contradicts the Organization’s beliefs would not be acceptable to the stance of this Organization based on its beliefs and teachings.

We believe this Organization’s Marriage Policy is based upon God’s will for human life as conveyed to us through the Holy Scriptures, upon which this Organization has been founded and anchored, and this Marriage Policy shall not be subject to change through popular vote; referendum; prevailing opinion of members or the general public; influence of or interpretation by any government authority, agency, or official action; or legal developments on the local, state, or federal level.

To allow the facilities of this Organization or any member of our staff to use or perform any activity inconsistent with the beliefs of this Organization would have a severe negative impact on the message that the Organization strives to promote and protect within this community.

Therefore, in no event shall persons or groups who hold, advance or advocate beliefs contradictory to the beliefs of this Organization be allowed to use any facilities of this Organization nor would any staff member or representative be allowed to participate in any activities that would be against the Organization’s beliefs, values, or moral teaching according to scripture.

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## Qualified Accountable Reimbursement Plan

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This corporation hereby establishes a qualified accountable reimbursement plan for all employees and/or officers of the corporation to reimburse them for qualified business expenses incurred in the normal operation of the organization's business arrangements in accordance with the following criteria:

1. **Business Purpose:** Authorized business expenses covered by this plan must meet the requirements for deductibility as business expenses under the Federal Tax Law. Such expenses must have been incurred by an employee in connection with the performance of services by such employee or officer on behalf of the corporation;
2. **Adequate Substantiation:** Any employee requesting reimbursement for authorized business expenses hereunder must furnish to the corporation adequate substantiation of expenses to be reimbursed. Adequate substantiation shall be accomplished by the timely submission to the corporation on the expense voucher or other adequate document, properly completed in accordance with the substantiation requirements of the Federal tax law, together with any relevant documentary evidence required under the substantiation requirements of Federal tax law.
3. **Return of Excess Amounts:** Any employee receiving payment from the corporation for an authorized business expense incurred by such employee on behalf of the corporation must return to the corporation, within thirty (30) days after the incurrence of any such expense, any amount of such payment that exceeds the amount the employee has properly substantiated relating to such expense.
4. **Request for Reimbursement:** Any request for reimbursement or payment for any authorized business expense hereunder must be submitted by an employee within sixty (60) days after the incurrence of such expense by such employee. Any request for reimbursement or payment for the expense must be submitted via a properly completed and substantiated corporation voucher.
5. **Transportation Expenses:** Authorized transportation (automobile) expenses hereunder shall be reimbursed to an employee at the maximum federal per mileage rate or by actual expenses incurred for the properly substantiated mileage or expense in connection to official corporation business.
6. **Other Expense:** All other authorized business expenses hereunder shall be reimbursed in an amount equal to the actual cost thereof incurred by the employee.
7. **Advances:** In limited circumstances, advances of authorized business expenses to be incurred by an employee on behalf of the corporation may be granted by and at the sole discretion of the corporation. The amount of money advanced by the company to an employee **MUST** be reasonably calculated not to exceed the amount of anticipated expenditures and made on a day within thirty (30) days of the day that the anticipated expenditures are paid or incurred. All other substantiation rules apply in this case.
8. **Additional:** Any reimbursement for expenses hereunder shall be payable to an employee by the corporation with a check separate and apart from the employee's regular paycheck, if any.
9. **Failure to comply:** Consequences of failure by an employee to comply with any provision or provisions contained in this plan may, at the option of the corporation, render the expenses related to such failure non-reimbursable.
10. **Employee:** For the purposes of this reimbursement plan, employee is deemed to be any hired employee of the corporation; any elected or appointed officer; or appointed volunteer who is so selected to perform services for the corporation.

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## Sexual Harassment Policy

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## ***The Purpose***

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This organization is committed to maintaining a work environment that is free from discrimination where employees at all levels of the organization are able to devote their full attention and best efforts to the job. Discriminatory harassment, either intentional or unintentional, has no place in the work environment. Accordingly, this organization will not tolerate any form of harassment of or by an employee, whether supervisory or nonsupervisory, or by third parties such as vendors or clients, based on race, sex, religion, color, national origin, age, disability, or any other factors protected by law.

The term “harassment” for all purposes includes, but is not limited to, offensive language, jokes, or other verbal, graphic, or physical conduct relating to an employee’s race, sex, religion, color, national origin, age, disability, or other factor protected by law that would make a reasonable person experiencing such harassment believe that the conditions of employment have been altered and that the work environment has become hostile or abusive or which interferes with the person’s job performance. This policy will be posted and distributed to all employees.

## ***The Policy***

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The organization believes that all employees have the right to work in an environment free from sexual harassment. Accordingly, we strive to ensure a workplace characterized by mutual respect. Sexual harassment will not be tolerated under any circumstances.

## ***The Definition of Sexual Harassment***

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Sexual harassment violates Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. The U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) and the courts define sexual harassment as any unwelcome or unwanted sexual attention, sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal, visual, or physical conduct of a sexual nature, or other offensive behavior directed toward an employee because of or on account of his or her gender, whether by a person of the opposite or same gender, when

- Submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is made explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual’s employment or is used explicitly or implicitly as a factor in decisions affecting hiring, evaluation, promotion, discharge, or other tangible employment action (sometimes referred to as “quid pro quo” harassment); or
- Such conduct is severe or pervasive enough to interfere with an individual’s work performance or otherwise renders the workplace as intimidating, coercive, hostile, or offensive to the reasonable person (sometimes referred to as “hostile environment” harassment).

Examples of the types of conduct that may constitute sexual harassment include, but are not limited to:

- Unwelcome sexual advances, propositions, flirtations, or innuendoes
- Demands for sexual favors
- Unwanted and unnecessary physical contact (such as grabbing, rubbing, patting, pinching, touching, or hugging)
- Demands for sexual favors in exchange for favorable treatment or continued employment
- Display of pornographic material
- Excessively offensive remarks, including unwelcome graphic or suggestive comments about an individual’s body, appearance, dress, sexual prowess, or deficiencies
- Obscene jokes
- The display in the workplace of sexually suggestive objects or pictures
- Any other unwelcome and unwanted conduct of a sexual nature, such as leering, whistling, staring, name calling, and sexual innuendo



Other discriminatory harassment consists of unwelcome conduct, whether verbal, visual, or physical, that tends to poke fun at or stereotype an individual because of his or her protected status. Examples of this type of conduct include, but are not limited to

- Making inappropriate or disrespectful comments about a person's gender
- Using sexist slurs or epithets
- Negative stereotyping
- Excluding individuals from the use of or making them feel uncomfortable in their use of this organization facilities because of their gender

Both the victim and the perpetrator of sexual harassment may be male or female, and the victim does not have to be of the opposite sex.

This organization regards all such conduct as creating a hostile and offensive work environment in violation of this policy, regardless of whether submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of employment

## **The Procedures**

### *Complaint Procedure*

An employee who alleges that he or she is the victim of sexual harassment, or an employee who has knowledge of, or an employee who has witnessed any form of sexual harassment should bring the subject to the attention of his or her supervisor or the chief executive immediately. If there is a legitimate reason that the victim is uncomfortable reporting the matter to the supervisor or chief executive, the employee should alert the board chairman or any board member of this organization. After making the complaint known to the proper person at this organization, an employee also has the legal right to file a complaint with the appropriate agency.

After a complaint has been received, an investigation will be conducted. Both the complainant and the alleged harasser will be interviewed, as well as any witnesses. All employees must cooperate with the investigation. Depending on the complexities of the investigation, all parties involved should be informed of the status of the complaint as promptly as possible, consistent with conducting a thorough investigation.

### **Confidentiality**

This organization will maintain the confidentiality of the complainant, the accused, and the witnesses to the extent possible under the circumstances. The organization cannot promise absolute confidentiality, but pledges to conduct the investigation on a need-to-know basis. Only those who must know about the complaint and the identity of the complainant will be made aware of and have access to that information.

### **Disciplinary Action**

If management finds that the alleged harasser violated company policy, it will take the proper disciplinary action. Such actions include but are not limited to verbal/written reprimand, suspension, and dismissal. The seriousness of the violation, the existence and nature of prior sexual harassment complaints and/or policy breaches, and the wishes of the accuser, as well as other considerations, will be taken into account when determining disciplinary action. Retaliation against any party involved—the accused, accuser, witnesses, and investigators —will not be tolerated. Employees who violate this organization's no-retaliation policy will be disciplined or terminated.

If the complaint is found to be false, disciplinary actions will be taken against the accuser. If the complaint is unresolved, no disciplinary actions will be taken against either the accuser or the accused. No retaliation against either party or any witness will be tolerated. Employees who do not cooperate in investigations, such as witnesses who refuse to provide information, will be subject to disciplinary action.

### *Harassment by Nonemployees*

This organization will strive to prevent sexual harassment of employees by nonemployees (members, vendors, etc.) in the work environment and employees should promptly report any such harassment to the appropriate individual(s) listed above. An investigation will be conducted and remedial measures taken if found to be warranted.

*Employer Responsibilities*

This organization will inform and educate its employees about its sexual harassment policy and ensure that the appropriate authorities know how to handle sexual harassment complaints. Suggestions and complaints regarding this sexual harassment policy as well as the communication and implementation of this policy are welcome. The employer shall as deemed necessary consult legal counsel for advice and direction regarding any such allegation of misconduct.

*Laws of this State*

All laws of this state regarding sexual harassment or misconduct shall be observed and followed in order to insure the proper protection of all involved, including this organization.

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## Social Media Policy

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### **Guidelines & Practices**

#### ***Purpose***

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The Social Media Procedures, Guidelines, & Practices describes the guidelines adopted by this organization, which shall be observed, shall respect the personal conduct by all personnel while engaging in online conversations as representatives of the firm.

*This Social Media Procedures, Guidelines, & Practices will apply to all offices and staff of this organization whether on-site or off-site.*

#### ***Definitions***

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Personnel means all parties, whether officers, directors, employees (both full-time and part-time), or volunteers working for this organization.

Social media is the use of any type Internet communication such as email, Facebook, My space, twitter, Wikipedia, LinkedIn, or other wikis.

#### ***Guidelines & Practices Policy***

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We feel this organization should be held to a different standard when it comes to its online communications. Certain ethical rules must be followed by all personnel participating in social media to keep this organization from violating these rules. Most conversations on social media platforms are held in an informal manner, so professional discourse is expected. The main focus of this Social Media Guideline is avoidance of the unique pitfalls online communication holds for our organization. In view of these facts, below are suggested guidelines and a list of things to avoid when communicating with the public via any social media outlet.

All social media accounts, blogs, Web pages and related content carrying this organization's brand identity are and will be owned and licensed as required by law. Personal accounts, blogs, Web pages and related content that do not carry our brand identity can be owned, licensed and operated by any of this organization's personnel. However, any and all use of our name, logo and/or related marks requires prior, express, written consent of the executive management of this organization.

#### ***Scope***

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Generally, these guidelines set forth in this Social Media Guidelines should be applied to any online medium where information may reflect back on the image of this organization and its personnel and clients. This Social Media Guideline applies to all forms of social media including, but not limited to: blogs, email, Facebook, MySpace, Wikipedia or other wikis, Twitter and LinkedIn. These guidelines also apply to any comments our personnel may leave on others' blogs or Facebook/MySpace pages, edits to wikis, responses to tweets, postings on message boards/forums, opinions on online polls or any product/services that this organization might author. Below are guidelines to be followed and /or to be avoided.

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## Guidelines

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1. *The Internet is not anonymous, nor does it forget.*  
Everything written on the Web can be traced back to its author one way or another and very easily. Information is backed up often and repeatedly, and posts in one forum are usually replicated in others through trackbacks and repasts or references. Anyone can view your social media, so be very careful what you write personally or about this organization or its personnel.
2. *There is no clear line between your work life and your personal life.*  
Always be honest and respectful in both capacities. With the ease of tracing authors back from their posts and the amount of information online, finding the actual identity of a poster from a few posts and a screen name is not impossible. This creates an avenue for outside parties to link your personal writings to those you've done in a professional capacity. Always write as if everyone knows you. Never write anything you wouldn't say out loud to all parties involved.
3. *Avoid hazardous materials.*  
Do not post or link to any materials that are defamatory, harassing, indecent, or confidential. Social media can definitely expose this organization to certain risks; therefore one must always be careful in making statements about the organization or any officer, director, or personal.
4. *Don't promote other brands with our brand.*  
Do not promote personal projects or endorse brands, causes or opinions when posting from this organization's account. Be sure to respect third party copyrights. If a personal opinion must be posted, clearly state to all readers that it is a personal opinion only and/or does not represent the opinions of this organization.
5. *Maintain confidentiality.*  
Do not post any confidential or proprietary information in regards to this organization or its clients (e.g., client confidences, insider information, or any financial information). This also means that the personal information of the employees and other individuals associated with the services that we are delivering to our clients and our own personnel should not be shared on or disclosed through social media or other online communication including email, except through confidential, secure and approved methods. Such information received through approved methods may not be forwarded or reposted without the expressed authorization of executive management.
6. *Don't pad your own stats.*  
Do not create anonymous or pseudonym online profiles to pad link or page view stats. Also, do not comment on your own or another's posts to create a false sense of support.
7. *Always trackback.*  
When reposting or referencing a post on one of our online sites, provide a link to the original post or story.
8. *Identify yourself.*  
When relevant, identify your affiliation with this organization and your area of concentration. This will add credibility to your profile and this organization's profile/communications and will increase the visibility of this organization and you personally.
9. *Do not pat yourself on the back.*  
Do not post self-laudatory statements regarding your work or the work of this organization.
10. *Do not qualify your work.*  
Do not post statements regarding the quality of yours or other's work or the quality of the work of this organization.
11. *Do not approve recommendations or testimonials.*  
Recommendations and testimonials violate the ethics rules under which we operate. We do not need to discourage others from posting promotional materials about us; however, we cannot link to them or have them posted on our sites.
12. *Do not promote successes.*  
Don't report this organization's results or outcomes or use words like "successfully," "favorably," "won" or "prevailed" in describing our representations. Anything stated that promotes the outcome or success of this organization must first be reviewed and approved by the executive management.

13. *Do not return fire.*

If a negative post or comment is found online about this organization or yourself, do not counter with another negative post. Instead, after obtaining executive management approval, you may publicly offer to remedy the situation through positive action. Seek help from executive management in defusing these types of situations.

14. *Do not offer or appear to offer legal advice.*

We should not give any type of advice regarding any services or products of this organization as we are bound by ethics rules that prohibit such.

15. *Respect the Law and Disclosures*

Employees should be careful to comply with all copyright, trademark, and intellectual property and other applicable regulations and laws. Employees can be legally liable for what is written or posted online. The employer reserves the right to discipline employees in an appropriate manner for any commentary, content, or images that are pornographic, harassing, and libelous, or for anything that creates a hostile work environment based on current laws governing such or any content that violates confidentiality or other regulations or laws.

16. *National Labor Relations Act*

When applicable, protected concerted activity covered by the NLRA is not prohibited by this policy.

17. *Do not use working time to be on social media.*

Working time is just that, time to work for this organization. Spend your time wisely and only be involved on social media as is required by your occupation. Personal time for social media is strictly limited and disciplinary action may be taken if used in excess.

While working in the offices of this organization, the Internet or social media is to be used specifically for work purposes during office hours.

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## Spousal Accountability Policy

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**Inasmuch** as the Ministers and/or employees of this organization are required to attend meetings, seminars, camps, conferences, hospital visits, and other required functions on behalf of the Organization, and

**Inasmuch** as the Minister/employee is at times required to travel out of town for various meetings conferences and organization related business as required by the Organization,

**Be it hereby resolved** that the Board authorize and require the spouse of the Minister/employee to accompany the minister on these trips for the purpose of accountability. The spouse's presence is required on as many of these trips as possible to reduce the risk of inappropriate conduct and/or false accusations that could harm the Minister's and/or the Organization's reputation and future.

As a result of this requirement, the Organization agrees to pay for or reimburse to the spouse all the qualified accountable business expenses incurred on these trips based on the Organization's Qualified Accountable Reimbursement Plan. The spouse is required to maintain all documentation to substantiate the various expenses under the Internal Revenue Code and submit such documentation to the Church Secretary/Treasurer as prescribed by IRS regulations.

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# Wrongful Conduct Policy

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## ***I. General***

This Organization expects its directors, officers, employees, and other representatives to observe high standards of business and personal ethics in the conduct of their duties and responsibilities. As employees and representatives of the Organization, each must practice honesty and integrity in fulfilling their responsibilities and comply with all applicable laws and regulations including that of the Sorbaines-Oxley Act of 2002.

## ***II. Reporting Responsibility***

It is the responsibility of all directors, officers, and employees to report wrongful conduct in accordance with this Policy.

## ***III. Wrongful conduct***

“Wrongful conduct” is defined in this Policy to include: a serious violation of any of this Organization’s policy; a violation of applicable state and federal law; or the use of the Organization property, resources, or authority for personal gain or other non organization-related purpose except as provided under the Organization’s policy.

This definition of wrongful conduct is not intended to be an exclusive listing of the illegal or improper activity encompassed by the Policy. Rather, the Policy is intended to serve as a means of reporting all serious improprieties that potentially impact the integrity and effective operation of the Organization.

## ***III. No Retaliation***

No director, officer, or employee who in good faith reports wrongful conduct will suffer harassment, retaliation or adverse employment consequence. Any director, officer, or employee who retaliates against anyone who has reported wrongful conduct in good faith is subject to discipline up to and including termination of employment or removal from the board or directors, as applicable. This Policy is intended to encourage and enable employees and others to raise serious concerns within the Organization prior to seeking resolution outside the Organization.

## ***IV. Reporting Wrongful Conduct***

This Organization encourages its directors, officers, and employees to share their questions, concerns, suggestions, or complaints with someone who can address them properly. Any director, officer, or employee may report wrongful conduct to the President or Secretary of the board of directors. If the wrongful conduct implicates one or both of the President or Secretary of the board of directors, or if the reporting individual is not comfortable speaking with or not satisfied with response of the foregoing individuals, the issue may be reported to any member of the board of directors.

The President or Secretary of the board of directors, and all members of the board of directors to whom a report of wrongful conduct is made are required to immediately advise the full board of directors of such report of wrongful conduct. Any report of wrongful conduct should be done in writing and signed by the party reporting the incident(s). Any anonymous or unsigned reporting will be disregarded unless actual documented proof of wrongdoing is provided with the anonymous report.

## ***V. Acting in Good Faith***

Anyone filing a complaint of wrongful conduct must be acting in good faith and have reasonable grounds and/or proof for believing the information disclosed indicates wrongful conduct. Any allegations that prove not

to be substantiated and which prove to have been made maliciously or knowingly to be false will be viewed as a serious disciplinary offense and could result in termination or other severe consequences.

## ***VI. Confidentiality***

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Reports of wrongful conduct or suspected wrongful conduct may be submitted to the appropriate official or directors with the understanding that the information will be kept confidential to the extent possible, consistent with the need to conduct an adequate investigation.

## ***VII. Handling of Reported Wrongful conduct***

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A representative of the board of directors will notify the sender and acknowledge receipt of the reported wrongful conduct or suspected wrongful conduct within five business days. All reports will be reviewed and promptly investigated with 30 days of the submission of information. Any appropriate corrective action will be taken if warranted by the investigation.