

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the corporation shall be "Greene County Baptist Association of Missouri."

ARTICLE II - LOCATION

The headquarters of the corporation shall be in the City of Springfield, County of Greene, State of Missouri.

ARTICLE III - DURATION

The duration of the corporation shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE IV – CORE VALUES

The Association holds the core convictions that God is sovereign (Rom. 11:33-36), Jesus is Lord (Rom. 10:9), Holy Spirit is our guide (John 16:13), Scripture is our base (II Tim. 3:16-17), and prayer is essential (1 Thess. 5:17). From these convictions we further identify the following core values that guide our work:

- Healthy, thriving congregations (Acts 2:42-47)
- Local and global missions involvement (Acts 1:8)
- Evangelism and disciple making (Matt. 28:18-20)
- Kingdom growth among all people groups (Col. 1:28-29)
- Cooperation, networks, and partnerships (Phil. 1:3-5)
- Relevant, purpose-driven ministries (1 Cor. 9:22)
- Spiritual leaders (II Tim. 2:2)

ARTICLE V - POWERS

Section 1. The Corporation may acquire in any legal manner, by purchase, gift, devise, bequest, or otherwise, any and all kinds of property, which the Officers, in harmony with the policies of Greene County Baptist Association, may by resolution, accept.

Section 2. The Corporation, through its Officers, shall be empowered to borrow money and to secure the payment of such indebtedness by mortgage, pledge, or hypothecation of any and all property of the corporation, unless such right as to the particular property shall be denied by restrictions imposed by the donor of such property.

The Corporation may sell, lease, and convey any of the corporate property, unless denied such right as to said particular property by restrictions imposed by the donor. Moneys and securities in the treasurer's hands may be loaned or invested in such a manner under such conditions and on such terms as the corporation, without restrictions, may from time to time determine.

Section 3. Between the Annual Meetings of Greene County Baptist Association, the Executive Board of said Association shall be the corporation (or representative of the corporation with corporation powers) in the interim.

ARTICLE VI - TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

The Association shall meet annually on a day designated at each Annual Meeting. In the event the body fails to set a date or a change becomes necessary, it shall become the duty of the Associational Leadership Council to set such a date.

ARTICLE VII - OFFICERS

The executive officers of this association shall be a moderator, vice-moderator, clerk and treasurer. The offices of clerk and treasurer may be combined. The moderator and vice-moderator shall be ex-officio members of all committees.

The moderator, vice-moderator, clerk and treasurer shall perform the usual functions normally performed by the president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer of a corporation.

The officers shall be elected annually and the moderator may not serve more than two consecutive terms.

ARTICLE VIII - MEMBERSHIP

The membership of this Corporation shall be identical with the membership of the Greene County Baptist Association of Missouri.

ARTICLE IX - BYLAWS

The Corporation shall adopt bylaws, not inconsistent with these Articles of Incorporation, for the regulation of their work and may from time to time modify, alter, or repeal such bylaws.

ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended at any Annual Meeting by a two-thirds majority, provided the proposed amendment(s) shall have been sent in writing to member churches not less than fifteen days prior to the Annual Meeting.

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