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ARTICLES OF FAITH

OF THE

PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLIES

OF JESUS CHRIST

PREFACE

On the day of the Pentecost, in the year 33 A.D., a great revival burst forth in the city of Jerusalem. At which time, the waiting disciples were filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

With this beginning, and through the preaching of the Apostle Peter, the Name and deity of Jesus Christ became the foundation of true Christian belief.

In the intervening years, the gifts and manifestations of the Apostolic Church were greatly evidenced in the worship of the many groups formed as the revival spirit burned throughout the land.

In Kansas about the year of 1900, the experience of those on the day of Pentecost became a reality to the number of ministers and missionaries who had assembled for the express purpose of a greater consecration. From here, the revival moved southward into Texas, and overflowed into California during the year 1906, when Los Angeles became the center of the spreading gospel which has entered into nearly every nation under Heaven, penetrating the heathen darkness of India, China, Africa and the "isles of the Sea" thus fulfilling the commission of our Lord: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," (Mark 16:15-20), (Matt. 28:19), (Luke 24:47-49), (Acts 1:4-11) and (Acts 2:38) and also proclaiming the soon coming of the Lord.

- a) So great was the awakening that in a few years, in nearly every town and village, there were witnesses to the Pentecostal outpourings of the Spirit (Luke 24:48, Acts 1:8, Acts 2:4) followed in many localities where believers were in sufficient number by the establishing of places of worship, in which the gifts of the Spirit were manifested by those disciples who had repented, been baptized in the Name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and had received the gift of the Holy Ghost. (Acts 2:38).

We the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc. uphold and support the Constitution of the United States with special attention given to the Bill of Rights Amendment.

Amendment #1

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

This amendment has these four important safeguards for the American people: (1). Congress must not set up any religion for the nation. It must not keep you from practicing whatever religion you prefer. (2). Congress cannot stop you from saying, writing or printing almost anything you like. (3). Congress cannot keep you from meeting peaceably with other people to talk about anything you like. (4). Congress cannot keep you from asking your government to correct something that you think is wrong. You deny: to Congress to take away your right to your own religion, to say or print what you think, to meet with other people or to go to the government with your complaints.

BRIEF HISTORY

The Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc., is a continuation of the great revival that began on the day of Pentecost at Jerusalem, A.D. 33, and is founded upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets: Jesus Christ being the chief cornerstone. (Acts 2:1-42; Eph. 2:19-20). Various groups throughout the country went by different names trying and striving to promote the gospel] of Jesus Christ. In the year of 1931 the P.A.W. and the Apostolic Churches of Jesus Christ merged together forming the P.A.J.C. and continued until 1945. Then in the year of 1945 the P.A.J.C. and the Pentecostal Churches, Inc. (P.C.I.) merged together forming what is now called the United Pentecostal Church (D.P.C.). From 1945 to approximately August, 1946 this continued. Then a group of brethren who became dissatisfied revived the charter of the P.A.J.C. and continued on with the charter. In the spring of 1948 the Churches of the Lord Jesus Christ met with the brethren of the P.A.J.C. and a proposal of merger was proposed. In August, 1948 the merger became complete. At that time a proposal was issued to the new secretary, J. Frank Wilson, to make an amendment that both charters be dropped. This action was never taken and both charters lay idle until the reviving of the charter came about forming the Assemblies of Jesus Christ. The old charter of the P.A.J.C. lay idle until the year of 1955, and then a group of brethren went into the state of Ohio and took out a charter known as the P.A.J .C., Inc. The P.AJ .C., Inc. is still chartered in the state of Ohio until this present day.

It is Apostolic in Doctrine, and teachings, and the Bible as their guide book. Therefore, the Constitution and Articles of Faith is set forth.

INTRODUCTION

We believe the Bible to be the direct and absolute word of God. (II Tim. 3:16) All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness. The Bible is given us by the inspiration of the Holy Ghost as it moved upon the tongues and pens of men who had received special anointing of God for this express purpose. (II Peter 1 :21) "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." We believe the Bible to be the only means of God's Doctrine, instruction and comfort to the church today, infallible in its authority, singular in interpretation, and man's only avenue of access to God.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

"THE ONE TRUE GOD"

We believe in the one everlasting, eternal God; infinite in power, holy in nature, attributes and purpose; and possessing absolute indivisible deity. This true God has revealed himself as Father in creation; thus His Son in redemption and as the Holy Spirit, by emanation. (I Cor. 8:6) But to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in Him: and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things and we by Him. (Eph. 4:6, II Cor. 5: 19 and Joel 2:28).

The first of all commandments is "Hear, O, Israel, the Lord our God is one God." (Mark 12:29, Deut. 6:4). "One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all." (Eph. 4:6).

The scripture does more than attempt to prove the existence of God, it asserts, assumes and declares that the knowledge of God is universal. (Rom. 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) "a spirit hath not flesh and bones " (Luke 24:39).

In addition to what is already written: We believe in the mystery of the Godhead. (I Tim. 3:16) "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." We believe that Jesus was both human and divine, and further, that the Godhead be understood to mean all of the fullness of God. (Col. 1:19 and 2:9). We believe that Jesus was Mary's son and Mary's God, Creator and creature, God manifest in the flesh; that the flesh of Jesus was the same as ours with the exception that it has no sin; that Jesus was the Eternal Father made visible, apart from whom there is no God. We believe that at the final consummation of all things there will be only one God, and that will be our Lord Jesus Christ.

We believe that both Old and New Testament affirm that solemn fact that "there is but one God" (Deut. 4:6, Gal. 3:20, Eph. 4:6). That this "only God" is ETERNAL (Isa. 57:15), EVERLASTING (Psa. 90:2), HOLY (Isa. 57:15), ALONE (Isa. 43:10), CREATOR (Gen. 1 :1, Isa. 43:15), SPIRIT (John 4:24, II Cor. 3:17, Eph. 4:4), IMMORTAL, ALL

PERVADING and many attributes (excellencies), all of which are of the highest perfection and each complete in itself.

We repudiate the doctrine of Trinity, as being Biblical. (Le., three separate persons in One God, or a Tri-unity.

We believe that the Old Testament theophanies are various manifestations of that one God, made necessary in His attempts to meet the needs of man. We believe that He was God before His creation demanded that there would be other manifestation (Psa. 90:2). It was the vast creation, coming from His hands (Psa. 95:5), looking directly to Him for sustenance that required His Fatherhood. (Psa. 145:15, 16).

THE NAME

"Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. (Isa. 9:6). "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). "Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name. That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;" (Philippians 2:9-10). "And the Lord shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one Lord and his name one." (Zech. 14:9).

The Son of God is not the second person in the blessed Trinity as Christendom contends, but the ONE GOD (who was only Spirit) assuming "human flesh" for the work of redemption. If we seek the truth from the Word of God, the Old Testament is truly "monotheistic" in its entirety. Moses, the author of the Pentateuch is said by scholars to be founder of monotheism in Israel. The prophets who predicted the coming of a Saviour and a redeemer, always declared that it would be God who would make His appearance for His redemptive work (Psa. 50:3; Isa. 35:4, 59:16, 52:10; Mich. 5:2). It is the prophet Isaiah that goes further and predicts that when God did make his appearance in the flesh, it would be in miraculous fashion by a "virgin birth" (Isa. 7:14) and that "her child born, her son given, would be called Wonderful, Counselor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace" (Isa. 9:6).

We believe that the New Testament writers, being first Israelites and then Spirit-filled, concurred fully with the message of the prophets (Eph. 2:20). Therefore, John did not introduce the second person in his prologue to his Gospel account. However, John lets us know that the Word in the beginning was "God" (John 1:1), and that Word (God Spirit) was made flesh (John 1 :4) and tabernacles among men. He writes in his epistle that "the Word, which was from the beginning" had taken on corporeality and had "been seen, heard, and handled" (I John 1:1,2).

The prophets showed that the impossibility of the Almighty in finding a suitable Redeemer (Isa. 59:16-20, 63:5) caused Him to take on the role Himself. Because those in need of redemption were children of "flesh and blood" God assumed "part of the same" for the work of redemption (Heb. 2:14-17). 'the Redeemer had to be a "kinsman", so our God became one with mankind through the incarnation; and since redemption's price was that of the "precious blood", He had to partake of flesh and blood. The virgin birth made it possible for our God to assume human flesh and a bloodstream not contaminated by "Adamic depravity", thereby making it capable and suitable for redemption (Heb. 9:12,13,14,10:19).

FATHER

The "One God", is the father in a two-fold sense; first, in the capacity of the Creator of the "ends of the earth" (Isa. 40:28) and the Sustainer of the Creation (Psa. 145:15); and secondly because that through His redemptive program through Jesus Christ, He has brought many sons to glory. As the Father of creation, He gives life and breath to all (Acts 17:24-28), and we live and move in Him and have our existence. As Father, every sparrow's fall is seen, every hair of the head is numbered (Matt. 10-29-31). The creation continues because of Fatherhood. "One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all." (Eph. 4:6).

HOLY GHOST

The Holy Ghost is the one and self-same Spirit of God; for we are told by Paul that "there is one Spirit" (Eph. 4:4). It is the Spirit of God in operation as the agent of God; first in creation (Gen. 1 :2) and second in incarnation and redemption (Matt. 1 :18; Luke 1 :35; John 3:3-5). The Holy Spirit has been operative from the beginning of God's dealing with men. It is mentioned as not "always striving with men" in the days of the flood (Gen. 6:3). It was active in the Old Testament, moving upon men, causing them to speak God's Word infallibly (II Peter 1:21) causing men to prophesy (Num. 11:25-30). It was the Spirit that "overshadowed" the virgin and produced the Son of God (Matt. 1:18, Luke 1:1-34). It is the same Spirit that has been promised by the Lord Jesus to "abide with the believer forever", (John 14:16); acting as the Comforter (one called to the side of another for help or counsel-paracletos-GR) - word only found in John (14:16; 15:26; 16:7). The Holy Ghost is essential for the new birth (John 3:5); it is necessary for placing the believer into the body of Christ (I Cor. 12:12, 13); it is needed for the revelation of the "things of God" (I Cor. 2:11-14) and seals the believer to the day of redemption (Eph. 1:13; 4:30).

SIN

We believe that "all men are sinners", not by virtue of any "acts" or "acts of sin committed by them," but because of the "one act of sin" committed by the federal head of the human race, Adam (Rom. 5:12). In Adam "all men sinned" (v. 12) not by their personal acts, but his depraved, rebellious nature became theirs, in that they were yet in his loins. The New Testament distinguished between "SIN" (the depraved, Adamic nature) and "SINS" (the acts produced by that nature). It is his nature that makes men sinners. The power of his rebellious nature has been underestimated by mankind. It is of such tremendous influence that even the "fiery law" given to Moses could not keep this nature from rebelling against God (Rom. 7:7). Instead of being "aided by the law" to work righteousness, this "depraved nature" was only stirred by the "holy, good and just law" (Rom. 7:12) to work all manner of evil concupiscence (Rom. 7:8). According to Paul, this "sinner nature" is deceptive (Rom. 7:11) and destructive; death-dealing and ever-present (Rom. 7:13, 21); enslaving and brutal (Rom. 7:14, 23). It is from this inbred sinful nature that ALL acts of sin proceed. All men are in bondage, enslaved by sin. And no man has the power to deliver himself. This helpless,

hopeless state caused the Apostle to cry "O wretched man that I am! Who shall deliver me from the body of this death?" (Rom. 7:25). His answer? JESUS CHRIST!!!

APOSTOLIC DOCTRINE

The basic and fundamental doctrine of this organization shall be the Bible standard of full salvation, which is repentance, baptism in water by immersion in the Name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins and the gift of the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking with other tongues as the spirit gives utterance. (Acts 2:4,2:38; John 3:5).

SALVATION

We believe that salvation means "deliverance from the slavery (bondage) of sin" NOW: AND ULTIMATELY FROM EVERY vestige of sin in our spirits and in our bodies. We believe that this salvation (or deliverance) begins with the sinner's believing in Jesus Christ (he IS "saved" from the guilt and the penalty of sin - PAST - Luke 7:50; I Cor. 1:18; II Cor. 2:15 and is saved); the believer is BEING saved (delivered from the habit and dominion of sin - PRESENT - (Rom. 6:14; Phil. 1:19; 2:12,13; II Thes. 2:13; Rom. 8:3; Gal. 2:19, 20; II Cor. 3:18); the believer SHALL BE SAVED in the sense of entire conformity to Christ (Rom. 8:29; Heb. 10:36; I Pet. 1:15; I John 3:2) and to complete deliverance of the effects of sin in our bodies - FUTURE - Phil. 3:20; I Cor. 15:52-57). This is what the writer of the book of Hebrews meant when speaking of the eternal priesthood of Christ stated perfectly, finally) them that come to God by Him (Heb. 7:25). This salvation from sin was wrought for all men upon the Cross of Calvary; for it was there that He became "the Lamb of God to take away the SIN of the world" (John 1 :29).

SALVATION OBTAINED

All that Jesus did for mankind at Calvary is summed up in a statement by Jesus himself after his resurrection: "Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day; and that REPENTANCE and REMISSION of sins should be preached in His NAME among ALL NATIONS (not just Jews), beginning at Jerusalem" (Luke 24:46, 47). Note that Calvary made possible a "universal plan of salvation" for the Nations (Gentiles); that repentance and remission of sins was to be preached in HIS (Jesus) NAME: that it was to have its beginning at Jerusalem. Let us go to its "starting point" (Jerusalem). and see how the "salvation was obtained". At Pentecost, after Peter's stinging indictment, accusing the nation of Israel of the crucifixion of Christ (Acts 2:22-24) he was asked by those who were guilty, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?" Then Peter said unto them, "Repent and be baptized everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost" (Acts 2:37-38).

REPENTANCE

The only grounds upon which God would accept a sinner is repentance, from the heart, for the sins that he has committed. A broken and contrite heart, He will not despise (Psa. 51:

17). John preached repentance, Jesus proclaimed it and before his ascension commanded that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name, beginning at Jerusalem (Luke 24:47). Peter fulfilled this command on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2:38).

The Bible confirms that man first is a sinner (Psa. 51 :5) "Behold I was shapen in iniquity and in sin did my mother conceive me". Then confession of one's sin, then the turning away from sin as Provo 28:13 states: "He that covereth his sin shall not prosper, but whosoever confesseth and forsake them shall have mercy." Repentance is the acknowledgment of one's sin, the confessing of one's sin then for forsaking one's sin (II Pet. 3:9). "The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some men count slackness, but is long-suffering toward us not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance" (Luke 15:7; II Cor. 7:10; Luke 13:3; Acts 19:18, 19; II Pet. 3:9; Acts 3:19 and Isa. 55:6, 7).

WATER BAPTISM

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

Water baptism was administered "in the name of Jesus Christ; for this was the name given to our Savior before His birth for the purpose of saving his peoples from their sins" (Matt. 1:21); for there is salvation in "none other name" (Acts 4:12) whereby we must be saved. The Apostles always administered baptism in His Name from the day of Pentecost forward. There is no biblical record of one person ever being baptized as some believers are today, using the formula "in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost" (Matt. 28: 19). The reason why there were no believers so baptized is because the Apostles knew the NAME of the FATHER, the NAME of the SON and the NAME of the HOLY GHOST. It can be seen that there is a single NAME for the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. If the NAME is one, then the person must be one (Zech. 14:9). The titles Father, Son, Holy Ghost denote the outstanding relationship of one God to His creatures. As this has been said, He is "Father" in His relation ship to His Creation; He is "Son" in His redemptive role in saving the human element of His Creation; He is "Holy Ghost" in His sanctifying and preserving the indwelt believer, but His name is One - Jesus.

St. Paul believed that baptism should be administered in the Name of the one who was crucified for us (1 Cor. 1: 13). He held that "washing, sanctifying, justifying" was effected by the NAME of Lord Jesus and the Spirit of our God (I Cor. 6:9-11). Not only Jews at Pentecost (Acts 2:38); but Samaritans (Acts 8:16), Saul of Tarsus (Acts 9:15, 16); Cornelius and his household (Acts 10:43, 48); the Ephesians (Acts 19:1-7); the Corinthians (1 Cor. 1:13) were all baptized in the NAME of the Lord Jesus. Without the NAME of Jesus, baptism does not carry the substantiation of Calvary. It can also be added that NO present day Christian has been baptized unto "John's Baptism" (Matt. 3:11,12; Acts 19:4).

Baptism in the days of the Apostles was ALWAYS by immersion. The word "BAPTIZE" (baptidzo) means "to make a thing dipped or dyed." To "immerse" for religious purposes; its various forms (baptismos-the washing-the act as a fact) shows that only immersions was considered baptism. St. Mark records that Jesus "came up OUT OF THE WATER" (1:10).

Luke writes that Philip and the eunuch "went DOWN INTO the water" and "came up OUT of the water" (Acts 8:38, 39). Baptism is said by Paul to be a "burial with Christ". We are buried with Him by baptism into death (Rom. 6:4). The scriptures teach that Jesus was buried in the heart of the earth (Matt. 12:40). The earth was not sprinkled upon the Lord in His burial; but as Jonas was hid away in the belly of the whale; so our Lord was hid away by His burial. ONLY IMMERSION will justify the symbol used here.

All of the "modes" of baptism (sprinkling, pouring of infant baptism) are all the inventions of men without biblical substantiation. While these modes have been used for generations by portions of Christendom, they are without Apostolic sanction or approval.

The purpose of water baptism is:

1. For the remission of sin. Jesus said in Luke 24:47 "And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name and also stated that "for without the shedding of blood there is no remission of sin" (Heb. 9:22).
2. Remission means the removing of or remitting of one's sins. Beginning with the original sins of Adam brought by the fall of man which Jesus Christ the second Adam thru his sacrifice redeemed for all men (Heb. 9:22; I Cor. 15:3).
3. God created man in his own image (Gen. 1 :26, 27) innocent, pure and holy. By transgressions, man lost his standing (Rom. 5:11, Eph. 2:3). Man needed a redeemer which has been supplied in the seed of the woman, which seed bruised the serpent's head (Gen. 3:15; Luke 2:10,11); this is our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ in whom we have redemption, through his blood even the forgiveness of sins (Eph. 1 :7; Rev. 1 :5).

HOLY GHOST BAPTISM

John the Baptist, in Matt. 3:11, said" ...he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and fire." Jesus, in Acts 1 :5, said" ...ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost no many days hence." Luke tells us in Acts 2:4 "...they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and begin 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 Ghost", and the "Gift of the Holy Ghost" are synonymous terms used interchangeably in the bible.

We believe that "all true believers" received the gift of the Holy Ghost, as promised by our Lord, as a witness to the scripturally-based faith in Jesus (John 7:37-39); and that the new birth of the Spirit (John 3:5) is necessary to place the believer in the kingdom of God or the body of Christ (the Church) (I Cor. 12:12, 13). We further believe that the outpouring of the Holy Ghost on the day of Pentecost marked a "new covenant" in the Spirit's dealing with mankind as prophesied by Joel (2:28,29) and (Isa. 28:11), the Holy Ghost being the "gift" of every believer in this age of grace, both handmaidens, servants, sons and daughters. The Holy Ghost bears witness that "we are the children of God" (Rom. 8:16); it is witness to the faith of our hearts (Acts 15:7-9). The Holy Ghost does NOT indwell the believer simply because he says, "I believe" as many evangelicals teach. Paul shows that the Holy ghost comes after believing (Eph.] :13), NOT synonymous with it. As said before, the Holy ghost is the "seal of the righteousness of the faith" which the believer has (Rom. 4:11) as circumcision was the seal of the righteousness of faith of Abraham.

"Speaking with tongues" as the Spirit gives utterance (Acts 2:4) is the initial evidence of the indwelling of the Spirit; not only on the day of Pentecost, for the one hundred twenty,

but for all believers for our time. Jesus told Nicodemus the wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and wither it goeth; so is EVERYONE that is born of the Spirit (John 3:8). Speaking with tongues is the "sound" of the Spirit, heard by EVERY believer. It is synonymous with the cry of the "newborn babe: in the first birth (flesh); for God has sent forth His Spirit into our hearts in the second birth (of Spirit) CRYING, Abba, Father (Rom. 8:15; Gal. 4:6).

We believe that there is vast difference between (1) "speaking in OTHER tongues as the Spirit gives utterance" (2) the GIFT OF TONGUES as mentioned by Paul's letter to the I Corinthians (Chapters 12 & 14) "Speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance" is supernatural, Spirit-enforced sign or witness of the Spirit's indwelling. Isaiah predicted this in Isa. 28:11,12, at the time of "rest and refreshing", Jesus said that new tongues would be "one of the signs" following believers (Mark 16:16, 17); it was first demonstrated at Pentecost upon the Jews (Acts 2:4); it also was manifested at Caesarea Phillipi at Cornelius' house (Acts 10:45, 46) where it is evidence of the Holy Ghosts' presence in the lives of Gentiles; it happened again at Ephesus after twelve men were baptized in Jesus' Name by Paul (Acts 19:17).

NOTE - "speaking in tongues" as the Spirit gives utterance (a sign of the Spirits' indwelling) is different from "the gift of tongues", one of the endowments of the Spirit. "Speaking in tongues as the Spirit gives utterance" is the experience common to ALL believers, while the "gift of tongues" is given by the Spirit to those that He wills to endow.

THE TRINITY

We repudiate and deny that the doctrine of the Trinity is substantiated by the Word of God. It is true that it is a part of the great heritage of what is known as "historian Christianity"; however, Apostolic Pentecostals do not accept all that Christendom has embraced historically. The Bible is the book of "ONE GOD" who has revealed Himself in many ways (Heb. 1:1) but more gloriously as Father, Son and Holy Ghost (not three separate, distinct persons), three manifestations of the One God for the eternal redemption of mankind.

The Trinitarian formula is the attempt to explain philosophically what Jesus said could be understood by the revelation (Luke 10:21,22). It can be noted that the Apostles believed that Jesus was God (I Tim. 3:16; Isa. 9:6; Col. 2:8, 9; I John 5:20; Jude 1:25).

To them Jesus Christ was the embodiment of the Father. To accept the Son was to accept the Father (I John 2:23)/ When the Gospel reached out to the Grecian world where man sought to analyze the truths that should have been received by faith, many erroneous, philosophical concepts were the results of their analytical attempts, culminating finally in the Trinitarian formula at the Council of Nicea in 325 A.D., and subsequent Councils.

As Oneness Pentecostals, we believe and hold to a three-fold manifestation of ONE GOD. His Fatherhood made necessary by His Creation; His Sonship made necessary by His redemptive plan; His Spirithood made necessary as He indwells the life of the believer. Not three Gods, but One God, who has so manifested Himself for the eternal salvation of mankind.

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).

A Christian, to keep saved, must walk with God and keep himself in the love of God (Jude 21) and in the grace of God. The word "grace" means favor. When a person transgresses and sins against God, he loses his favor. If he continues to commit sin and does not repent, he will eventually be lost and cast into the lake of fire. Read (John 15:2, 6:2; II Peter 2:20, 21 :22). Jude speaks of the backsliders of his days and their reward. (Read Heb. 6:4-6.)

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the Gift of God." (Ephesians 2:8).

THE COMMUNION

Melchizedek, the priest of the most high God, gave the first Communion to our father Abraham, consisting of bread and wine. (Gen. 14: 18). Christ being made a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek evidently administered the same. (Heb. 7:21; Matt. 26:26-29; I Cor. 11 :23-32).

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 it 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 Cor. 11 :23,24).

THE WASHING OF FEET

This ordinance is as much divine command as any other New Testament ordinance. Jesus gave us an example that we do even as He has done. He said that we ought to wash each others feet. And again, "If ye know these things, happy are ye if you do them." (John 13:4-17).

DIVINE HEALING

The physical suffering of the Lord Jesus Christ purchased healing for our bodies, as His death, burial, and resurrection provided for the salvation of our souls, for..,"with His stripes we are healed" (Isa. 53:5). Matthew.8:17 reads "...Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses," (I Peter 2:24).

We see from this that healing for the body is in the atonement. That being true, then it is for all who believe. 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 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).

We believe that our God is the "only" healer, and that miracles are performed today as in biblical times. This is to say that whatever means that may be resorted to for relief from suffering, in the final analysis, God alone sets the healing process in motion. This is NOT a condemnation of the advances of medical science not a refusal to accept their findings but rather a faith that reaches beyond their human limitations, and rests, the final outcome in His hands. It was NEVER God's intention that the "human body" the temple of the Holy Ghost "should be neglected" (I Cor. 3:16, 17) and allowed to deteriorate to the point of irreparable disease, to prove our faith in God. We believe that God can and does heal ALL MANNER OF DISEASES, and that "THESE SIGNS FOLLOW THEM THAT BELIEVE" (Mark 16:]7-18).

We believe that "Divine healings" are used as a "divine credential" by divine authority as "a stamp of approval" upon those ordained of God to preach His Word.

TITHING

We believe tithing is God's financial plan to provide for his work and has been since the days of Abraham (Gen. 14:20); Moses law enjoyed it, and Israel practice it when she was right with God; Jesus endorsed it (Matt. 23:23), and Paul said to lay by in store as God prospered you. DO NOT rob God of his portion that is tithes and offerings (Mal. 3:8).

HOLINESS

We believe that godly living should characterize the life and walk of all saints according to the sign and example found in I Peter 2:21; Tit. 2:11; Gal. 2:20; Heb. 12:14; I Peter 1:15-17. We believe we are to cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh (Gal. 5:19-21) and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God (II Cor. 7:1) and to abstain from all appearance of evil (I Thes. 5:22) and to turn away from those who have a form of Godliness but deny the power thereof (II Tim. 3:5; I Cor. 11 :6; I Tim. 2:9; I Pet. 2:3,4).

Our holiness standards are continuing under attack, every device and tactic are employed to damage or to throw out of gear our spiritual life. The Bible saint today and the saints of generations ago succeeded in their walk with God not because they were exceptional in some way, but because they made full use of their faith in God's Word. Many Christians believe that holiness is not necessary. There can be no true salvation or entrance into heaven without it. No doctrine is of heaven which makes holiness unnecessary.

While "holiness" primarily deals with "separation from" and "dedication to", "perfection" deals almost entirely with Christian growth. IT DOES NOT have the idea that is held by many that "one is as perfect as he knows how to be". THIS IS NOT THE NEW TESTAMENT VIEW OF PERFECTION. The words "perfect, perfecting, perfection, perfectly, perfectness" all come from the same root word, and carry some aspect of the original meaning, "complete, full, wanting nothing, complete in all parts and proportions, to make full, fill up, to bring to a full end, put in full order, prepare full, perfectly equip, full-grown, to equip out fully, to fit out accurately, precisely, exactly". This is the thought that the Apostles tried to convey, that the Christian who began his new life in Christ as "a babe" in Christ, (I Cor. 3:1-3; Heb. 5:13,14; 1 Pet. 2:1, 2), should continue in his growing in grace, through the influence of the Word and the Holy Ghost, until his disposition, attitudes,

passions, knowledge, understanding are all "mature" and those of a "full grown" child of God (Heb. 5:13-14; I Cor. 13:9-12; 14:20; II Cor. 6:11-13). The purity, sanctity, holiness, of the believer depends completely upon the degree of "maturity" (perfection) reached by the believer.

In that we the P.A. of J.C. Inc. has been a conservative holiness organization and believe in inward and outward holiness: we feel it necessary to spell out our standards of holiness of dress and separation because of the day we live in and the continued conformity of many that say they are Apostolic, in this hour. We still believe and practice the following standards:

1. Females should not cut their hair or in any way cause it to be shortened or damaged.
2. Males should cut their hair as to look like males.
3. Males/Females should not wear that which pertains to the opposite sex. (Deut. 22:5)
4. Male/Female should not wear shorts, bathing suits, gym trunks, or culottes.
5. Male/Female should not wear see through attire.
6. Male/Female should not wear sleeveless attire or low necklines. Male/Female should abstain from all appearance of evil and be separated from all activities that war against the soul and spirit. (Dancing, Gambling, or anything that causes lust of the flesh, lust of the eye, or the pride of life).
7. Male/Female should not practice mixed bathing (swimming in the public places where male and female are present).
8. Male/Female should not wear jewelry, also females/males should not use makeup.
9. Females should not wear mini-skirts or mini-dresses. Also, splits in skirts or dresses should be frowned upon, especially those that gap open or are revealing. At the top of the split is where the skirt or dress starts.
10. We all need to be holy, honorable vessels. Our bodies are the temple of God, and we are not our own. We need to glorify God in our body. (I Cor. 6:19-20) If we defile our bodies (the temple of God), God will destroy us. (I Cor. 3:16-17)
Thank God for His standards!

MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE

"Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication and shall marry another, committeth adultery." (Matt. 5:32; 19:9). In order to lift a higher standard in the ministry, no minister shall be accepted in this organization who has married for the second time, after his conversion, unless the first marriage was terminated by death.

GIFTS OF THE SAINTS

The Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc., believe in nine spiritual gifts. We believe and teach the gifts are available and active in our churches today. We believe that these gifts should be desired and sought for. The gifts are set forth in the book of I Corinthians 12:1-11.

FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance against such there is no law." (Gal. 5:22, 23). These Fruits of the Spirit are manifested in the lives of spirit filled believers today.

PUBLIC SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

We of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc., disapprove of school students attending shows, dances, dancing lessons, theaters, engaging in school activities against their religion of religious scruples and wearing gymnasium clothes which immodestly expose the body.

THE APPEARING OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST (RAPTURE)

We believe the catching away of the church draweth nigh and at that time all the dead in Christ shall arise first from their graves, and we that are alive and remain shall be translated or caught up "to meet the Lord in the air". (Matt. 24:36-42; Luke 17:20-37; I Cor. 15:51; Phil. 3:2-21; I Thes. 4:13-17).

We believe that the next outstanding event on the divine calendar is the "appearing of the Lord Jesus Christ" commonly called "the rapture" of the church. The word "rapture" is not used in the Bible, but it is the term expressing the glorious feeling of the event. But the event is called "the appearing" and is to be distinguished from the "second coming of Christ". This event is for the "catching away" of those that are "alive and remain" and those that "sleep in Jesus" (I Thes. 4:14-17). It is the event that takes the Church out of the earth before the great tribulation. (Isa. 26:20, 21); it is always depicted as a very quick and sudden event. (Matt. 24:27; I Cor. 15:52) catching the world "as a thief" (I Thes. 5:1-14). This is the hope of the Church (I John 3:3) and the grounds for the believer's purification.

THE RETURN OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST (SECOND ADVENT)

That the Lord Jesus Christ is to come to earth in person is a doctrine clearly set forth in apostolic times. Jesus taught it; the Apostles preached it; the saints expected it. (Matt. 24: 1; Acts 1: 11, 3: 19-21; I Cor. 1:7,8; Phil, 3: 20, 21; Titus 2:13).

In many cases, the second coming of Christ is confused with the "appearing" of Jesus Christ for the sake of catching away His Church. Let us distinguish here these two events by stating, in "the appearing" of our Lord Jesus Christ (rapture) "the Church goes up to meet Him" (I Thes. 4:13-17); the second coming of Christ "the Church comes back with Him" (Zech. 14:1-5; Jude 14, 15; Acts 1:11; Rev. 1:7, 19:11,14). At His coming, Christ brings an end to Gentile world domination at the battle of Armageddon (Rev. 17: 14, 19: 17-20); destroys the heads of both human governments and false religion (the beast and the false prophet); bonds Satan in the bottomless pit (Rev. 20:1-3) for a thousand years and sets up His own righteous kingdom on earth for that thousand years (called the Millennial Reign of Christ) (Rev. 20:4-6; Isa. 2; 11th chapter). This is the kingdom also predicted by the prophet Daniel (Dan. 2:44) that "behold a mountain" shall fill the whole earth. The second coming marks the end of all things as they are, and ushers in an era of "righteousness and peace" unknown in our day.

TRIBULATION

Moreover, 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" (Matt. 24; Hob. 2:14; Rom. 11:25-27).

We believe that there is a period coming upon the earth, such as the world has never seen before nor will it know one like ever after (Matt. 24:21). It will be a time when the judgments of God will be upon the whole earth to punish the sinners (Isa. 13:9-12) and the wicked and evil. By Old Testament examples we can see that whenever God punished the wicked for their iniquities, the righteous who found favor in His sight were delivered (Gen. 6:6-8, 7:1; 18:23-33; 19:22; Spa. 91:8) and since the Church is His "purchased possession" (Acts 20:28) He will spare it "as a father spareth his own son" (Mal. 3:17) that seventh him. During this period, many events of great importance will take place. The sealing, judging, cleansing and glorifying of the nation of Israel; the consolidation of all Gentile world powers under one head, called the beast; the consolidation of all the final judgments of God upon the earth, mark some of Revelation Chapter 7: 1-20.. We believe that this period is 7 years of duration.

RESURRECTION

We believe that there will be "two separate" resurrections; the first resurrection for the "blessed and holy" (Rev. 20:4-6). This resurrection began with Christ as its "first fruits" (I Cor. 15:23) and afterwards those who are Christ's at His coming, (old saints (Matt. 27:52); spirit-filled (Rom. 6:13); raptured (I Thes. 4:13); pallbearers (Rev. 7:9-17); man child (Rev. 7:1-8; 12:1-6); beheaded witnesses (Rev. 20:5-7). The second resurrection of the dead deals with all of the previously "nudged dead" (Rev. 20:12, 13; John 5:28, 29). From this judgment, those judged go away from the "white throne" to the "lake of fire" (Rev. 20:12-15) who are not found written in the Book of Life, and those who are found written in there are ushered into life eternal (John 5:28, 29) on the New Earth (II Peter 3:13). At this judgment death and hell (the grave) are cast into the lake of fire (Rev. 20:14). This is the "last enemy" of mankind that Jesus came to destroy (I Cor. 15:26; Heb. 2:14). Remember, all men shall be judged but not all at the same time. Judgments are governed by time, knowledge and circumstances, which differ with men; and God takes these into account.

THE MILLENNIUM

We believe that the period of tribulation "will be followed by the dawn of a better day on earth, and that for one thousand years there shall be a peace on earth and good will toward men" (Rev. 20: 1-5; Isa. 65:17-25; Matt. 5:5; Dan. 7:27; Mic. 4:1; Hab. 2:14; Rom. 11:25-27).

This period is one thousand years long. The prophets wrote extensively about the "day of the Lord" (the day of the Lord's supremacy). Because of the terrible period of tribulation proceeding this "millennial period"; the prophets were taken up with this horrible time (Isa.

13: Joel 2:1-11; Amos 5:18,19) but "the day of the Lord" is as a thousand years (II Peter 3:8); "And the Lord shall be King over all the earth; in that day shall there be one Lord, and His Name one." (Zech. 14:9).

He shall rule the nations with a "Rod of Iron" (Rev. 2:26, 27). This period shall be marked with universal peace. This has been called the kingdom age by some Bible students, and the "millennial reign", by others. And while there is peace and righteousness present it is to be remembered that it is an enforced peace and "demanded righteousness", not that all the hearts of men living in this period are right. Jesus Christ, in this His times "shows" who is that "blessed and only Potentate, King of Kings, and Lord of lords" (I Tim. 6:15), and subjects the rebellious will of men to His rule (Isa. 45:23). It is during this period that the "saints shall judge the world" (I Cor. 6:2) and shall live and reign with Christ "a thousand years" (Rev. 20:6); they will come into their "glorious liberty as children of God" (Rom. 8:21) and shall rule over the earth as predicted (Dan. 7:27, 28).

FINAL JUDGMENT

When the thousand years are finished, there shall be a resurrection of the wicked dead, who shall 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 brimstones which God has prepared for the devil and his angels, Satan being cast in first (Rev. 20:5-15; Matt. 25:41-46; Rev. 21:8).

A NEW HEAVEN AND EARTH

The Bible brings us to the beginning of a glorious and perfect future, with the present state of the "physical earth" completely changed (II Peter 3:10-12; Rev. 6:14). There is to be a change in the present condition of the heavens (Rev. 6:14a). All that restricts man to the earth shall be removed, for then, man is to be equally at home in the heavens as he is on earth.

There is not too much that can be written about the "eternal future" for as Paul has written, "eye hath not seen, ear hath not heard, neither hath it entered into the heart of man, the things that God hath provided for them that love Him" (I Cor. 2:9); and that it will take the "ages to come" for God to show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kingdom toward us through Christ Jesus.

SECRET SOCIETIES, ETC.

According to the Word of God, we firmly believe and hold that the people of God should have no other connection whatever with secret societies, or any other organization or body wherein is a fellowship of unbelievers bound by an oath (II Cor. 6:14-18). We are exhorted by the Word of God to be content with such things as we have and be content with our wages" (I Tim. 6:8; Heb. 13:5; Luke 3:14).

CIVIL GOVERNMENT

All civil magistrates are ordained of God for peace, safety and the welfare of all people (Rom. 13:1-10; Titus 3: 1,2; 1 Peter 2:13-15) therefore, it is our duty to be in obedience to all requirements of the laws that are not contrary to the Word of God, and that do not force one to the violation of the sixth commandment, by bearing arms. It is our duty to honor them, pay tribute, or such taxation, as may be required, without murmuring (Matt. 17:24; 22:17-21) and show respect to them in all lawful requirements of the civil government.

. We propose to fulfill all the obligations of loyal citizens, but are constrained to declare against participation in combatant service in war, armed insurrection, property destruction, aiding or abetting in or the actual destruction of human life.

Furthermore, we cannot conscientiously affiliate with any union boycott, or organizations which will force or bind any of its members to perform any duties contrary to our conscience, or receive any mark, without our right to affirm or reject same.

However, we regret the false impression created by some groups, or so-called "conscientious objectors." That to obey the Bible is to have contempt for law or magistrates, to be disloyal to our government and in sympathy with our enemies, or to be unwilling to sacrifice for the preservation of our commonwealth. This attitude would be as contemptible to us as to any patriot. The Word of God commands us to do violence to no man. It also commands us that first of all to pray for rulers of our country. We, therefore, exhort our members to freely and willingly respond to the call of our government, except in the matter of bearing arms. When we say service ... we mean service - no matter how hard or how dangerous. The true Church has no more place for cowards than has the nations. First of all, however, let us earnestly pray that we will with honor be kept out of war. We believe that we can be consistent in service to our government in certain noncombatant capacities, but not in the bearing of arms.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ shall consist of all accredited ministers and missionaries holding license or credentials in said body, and shall be known as an organization.

ARTICLE I, SEAL

The seal of this corporation shall be as follows: a round metal disc with words, "The Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc.", around the outer margin, and the word, "Seal" across the center, so mounted that it may be used to impress those words in raised letters upon paper. This seal shall be responsible for the same.

Section 1. Purpose.

The purpose of this organization shall be to provide spiritual guidance to its members, to assist each other in the work of the Lord, to promote the whole gospel to the whole world, to evangelize every nation under heaven by every scriptural means possible, and to lift up the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

ARTICLE II MEMBERSHIP

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ARTICLE III, THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

Section 1 Annual Session.

1. An Annual Session of this body shall be held regularly and shall be called a General Conference.
2. The host church shall receive \$1,800.00 towards the expense of the General Conference.

Section 2. Bi-Annual Session.

1. A Bi-Annual Session of this body shall be held regularly and shall be called a Mid-Year Conference.
2. The host church shall receive \$700.00 towards the expense of the Mid-Year Conference. This would include all offerings of Monday and Tuesday and any additional amount needed to make a total sum of \$700.

Section 3. Time and Location.

1. During the General Conference of Mid- Year Conference time and location of the next General Conference shall be determined by National/ General Officers.
2. A formal written request to host a Conference should be sent to the office of General Secretary/Treasurer.

Section 4. Business.

1. All sessions shall open with a prayer.
2. The order of business is as follows:

- (A.) Meeting called to order by the General Chairman.
- (B.) Reading of the minutes of the last General Conference given by General Secretary/Treasurer.
- (C.) Report shall be given by General Chairman.
- (D.) Report shall be given by Assistant General Chairman.
- (E.) Financial report to be given by General Secretary/Treasurer.
- (F.) Progress and financial reports shall be written and read by department heads, not to exceed a period of five minutes. Reported in the following order:
 - 1. National/International Director of Foreign Missions.
 - 2. National Director of Home Missions.
 - 3. National Sunday School Director.
 - 4. National Youth Department Director.
 - 5. Editor of Official Publication (THE OUTLOOK).
 - 6. National Ladies Auxiliary President.
 - 7. District Chairman.
- (G.) Committee Reports.
 - 1). Credential Committee.
 - 2). Resolution Committee.
 - 3). Special Committee.
- (H.) Unfinished Business.
 - 1. General Secretary/Treasurer shall report all Unfinished Business held over from previous General Conference.
- (I.) New Business.
 - 1. New business shall come under Article 3, Section 4, Number 3.
 - 2. Executive Board may propose new business.
- (J.) Shall be according to Article 4, Section 6, Number 2.
- (K.) All department heads shall submit a written financial report to the General Body at the General Conference and an oral report to the General Board at the Mid- Year Conference, with a written report to the General Secretary/Treasurer.
- (L.) Adjournment.

3. All proposals, or resolutions, or amendments that are to be presented to the general body, shall first be presented to a member of the Resolution Committee by June 1. Each proposal, or resolution, or amendment must have been in writing with the date and the author's signature before it is considered by the Resolution Committee. The Resolution Committee shall decide which of these proposals, amendments, or resolutions shall be presented to the General Body. Any proposal, resolution, or amendment that is not presented to the General Body, must be handed over to the Executive Board prior to the opening of the business session, with a statement as to why they have rejected such proposal, resolution, or amendment. The Executive Board than shall determine if said proposal, or resolution, or amendment should be brought to a vote or given back to its author. If it is to be voted on, it must be given back to the Resolution Committee and presented to the General Body.

4. Should a resolution, or amendment, or proposal be submitted that should affect the Articles of Faith of the P.A.J.C., Inc., such resolution, amendment, or proposal shall be presented to the General Board, and either passed or rejected. If said proposal, resolution, or amendment is rejected by the General Board, such action shall be made known by the

General Chairman to the body at the next General Conference. All applications for licenses from those outside a duly organized district shall come before the Credential Committee at a General Conference.

5. All applications for licenses from those outside a duly organized district shall come before the Credential Committee at a General Conference.

(A.) In cases where applicants cannot appear in person at a General Conference, then they must confer with the Credential Committee by mail.

(B.) Persons desiring to be ordained may be ordained in the District if they cannot attend the Mid-Year Conference in the given year they need ordination. The Mid-Year or General Conference is to be preferred. In case they need to be ordained in between the conferences in the district, the district director, the district Secretary/Treasurer, and one National Executive Board member must be present for the ordination to be official P.A.J.C., Inc. ordination.

(C.) All applicants appearing before the Credential Committee must present an application to the Credential Committee at least forty-eight (48) hours before the business meeting.

6. All business sessions shall be conducted in a spirit of love and harmony. At no time shall more than one person be speaking at a time and only then by the up-lifting of the hand and then being called on by the General Chairman.

7. Each department and the General Fund shall assume one-sixth (1/6) of the costs of the General Conference.

Notes:

ARTICLE IV, NATIONAL/GENERAL OFFICERS

Section 1. Titles of Officers.

1. The Organization shall have the following National/General Officers:
 - A) General Chairman.
 - B) Assistant General Chairman.
 - C) General Secretary/Treasurer.
 - D) National/International Director of Foreign Missions.
 - E) National Director of Home Missions.
 - F) National Sunday School Director.
 - G) National Youth Department Director.
 - H) National Ladies Auxiliary President.
 - I) District Chairmen.

Section 2. Election.

All National/General officers shall be elected for a term of three years by the General Conference.

Section 3. Qualifications of Officers.

1. In order to hold a general office in the Organization, the following qualifications are required: one must have been ordained three (3) years prior to his election; must be a member of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ three (3) years, except for new departments or districts being organized; a minister in good standing within and without the body of Christ, whose life and ministry has been proven a faithful work of the Lord (I Tim. 3:1-7; Titus 1:6-9).
 - i. With exception of the National Youth Director (Article 12, Section 4, Number 1).
2. Any member seeking a National office must have held a position on the General Board Previous to running for a national office.
3. Any member seeking a national office must have attended our General Conference, Midyear Conference, and our National Youth Camp or at least 2 of the 3 to be eligible to run for office.

Section 4. Restrictions.

No minister can hold two elective offices at the same time except the office of Trustee and Board of Directors which offices can be held jointly with another.

Section 5. Voting Qualifications.

Any and all current ministers and missionaries in good standing holding accredited credentials or General License with the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc. , shall be entitled to vote.

- a) Ministers paying dues in order to receive membership into the organization shall be allowed to vote.
- b) Any minister who has not paid their dues prior to General Conference will not be allowed to have discussion and voting privileges during business meetings.
- c) Payment of dues is define as payment received 12 hrs prior to business meeting.

Section 6. Election Procedure.

1. All nominations for officers shall be closed, oral nominations. All nominees that accept nomination for any office must remain in contention for that office until the voting is concluded for that office.
2. All voting for National/General Officers shall be by secret ballot.
3. The Chairman shall appoint a committee of three to serve as Tabulation Committee.
4. The Tabulating Committee shall collect the ballots, count them, and bring to the Chairman the names of two persons receiving the highest number of votes.
5. A two-thirds majority vote by secret ballot shall constitute an election. If a two-thirds majority vote by secret vote is not obtained on the first electoral ballot, only the names of the two persons receiving the highest number of votes shall be returned to the Conference, and balloting shall continue until one of them receives a majority vote.
6. Election of Executive Officers as follows:
 - (A). All Executive Officers shall be elected on a staggering yearly basis.
 - (B). One Executive Officer shall be elected in the following order:
 1. General Chairman
 2. General Secretary/Treasurer
 3. Assistant General Chairman
 - (C).
 1. In 1984 the General Chairman will be elected for three (3) years.
 2. In 1984 the General Secretary/Treasurer will be elected for two years and after two years will be elected for three (3) years.
 3. In 1984 the Assistant General Chairman will be elected for one (1) year and after the one year will be elected for three (3) years.

Section 7. Question of Nominee.

1(Any questions concerning the character of a nominee in regard to their right to hold office, shall be referred to the Qualifying Committee and no question of such nature shall be discussed openly before the General Body.

- A) During the election of nominees, (if) a question of character should arise from the General Body, the objector shall immediately retire with the Qualifying Committee and place in writing and sign the question. The Qualifying Committee shall call the nominee in question to answer said question.
- B) On the strength of all evidence, the Qualifying Committee shall make a determination on the qualification of nominee in question.

- C) Should the evidence warrant further investigation or must be changed to a charge, the Qualifying Committee shall return the evidence to the district level (follow procedure of Article VIII, Section 3, Number 7).

Section 8. Term of Office.

Term of office will be for three (3) years after the initial election, and may take office on or before September 10 following their election.

Section 9. Vacancies.

In case of a vacancy, then the office will be filled by the Executive Board, by an appointment of a person in Good Standing, until the next meeting of the General Body. At that time there will be a special election. Except the office of General Chairman, in this case we would refer to our By-Laws, Article V, Section 2, Paragraph 1, (B) to fill the office of General Chairman if and when necessary or when so requested by the General Chairman.

Section 10. Restitution.

All General Board members must be present at all General Conferences and Mid-Year Conferences. General Board members will be allotted a sum of \$400.00 on an annual basis to defray the cost of this expense. This sum is to be deducted from the General Account to each respective department and would be payable for receipt following the annual Business meeting at the General Conference.

- A) General Chairman, Assistant General Chairman & General Sec/Trea are to be paid from the General Account.
- B) District Chairman, are to be paid from District Funds – District General Account or Home Missions Funds.
- C) All other Department will deduct this allotment amount from their General Account.

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ARTICLE V, OPERATING OF GENERAL OFFICES

Section 1. General Chairman.

1. The duties of the General Chairman:
 - (A.) To preside at all General Conferences.
 - (B.) To call and preside over all Executive Board Meetings.
 - (C.) To call and preside over all General Board Meetings.
 - (D.) To appoint all committees pertaining to the General work.
 - (E.) To oversee the functions of the organization in general.
 - (F.) To countersign all licenses and fellowship cards.
2. The General Chairman, by virtue of his office, Shall act as President in all legal matters.
3. He shall be authorized to sign all official and legal documents, deeds, and mortgages.
4. He shall act as a trustee of all corporation property. 5. We resolve that the General Chairman be paid a monthly Salary that is set forth and agreed upon by the general body.

Section 2. Assistant General Chairman.

1. The duties of the Assistant General Chairman:
 - (A.) To work under and in harmony with General Chairman.
 - (B.) To fill the office of General Chairman if and when necessary or when so requested by the General Chairman.
 - (C.) By virtue of his office he shall be a trustee of all Corporation Property.
 - (D.) By virtue of his office he shall be a member of the Executive Board and General Board.
 - (E.) Shall preside over all special appointed committees.

Section 3. General Secretary/Treasurer.

1. The duties of the General Secretary/Treasurer:
 - (A.) To take Minutes and to preserve records of the business of the organization.
 - (B.) To receive and disburse all General Fund and all monies sent to General Secretary/Treasurer for operating expenses.
 1. To make payment of all operating expenses.
 2. The General Fund shall assume one sixth (1/6) of all costs of the General Conference.
 - (C.) To Sign all licenses and fellowship cards.
 - (D.) He shall be a trustee of all corporation property.
 - (E.) Shall be a member of the Executive Board and the General Board.

(F). He shall be authorized to withhold any credential, license, or fellowship card when he has reason to believe that the applicant might be in question, and to refer same to District or Credential Committee.

(G). Has the authority to call a legal meeting of the General Board in the event of a crisis situation.

(H). Shall submit an oral financial report at the Mid-Year Conference, and a written copy of the previous minutes and a written financial report at the General Conference.

(I). The departments that send their 10% and 20% to the General Fund to use June 30th as their fiscal cutoff date so the General Fund can get its reports completed by July 31st.

(J). We resolve that the General Secretary/Treasurer be paid a monthly salary that is set forth and agreed upon by the general body.

(K). Monthly allotment for the office of General Sec/Treasurer is \$150.00.

2. The General Secretary/Treasurer shall be authorized to sign all official and legal documents necessary for the business of the organization.

Section 4. National/International Foreign Missions Director.

1. The duties of the National/International Foreign Missions Director:

(A). To act as the head of this department with the assistance of the Foreign Missions Committee.

(B). To act as chairman of the committee.

(C). To direct the financial structure of the Foreign Missions Department in receiving and disbursing its funds as authorized by the laws of the Organization, the will of the donor and with the authority and direction of the Foreign Missions Committee.

(D). To carry out the duties of this office in correspondence and in visitation to the Foreign Mission Field as often as authorized by the Foreign Missions Committee.

(E). To fulfill all other duties as may be prescribed by this constitution.

(F). Shall be a member of the Executive Board and General Board.

(G). Shall act as trustee and shall be authorized to sign all official and legal documents, deed, and mortgages.

(H). Should work with and through each District Foreign Missions Director in setting up itinerary for missionaries.

(I). Where no organized district prevails, the director shall set up the itinerary.

(J). Shall submit a written financial and progress report at each General Conference, and shall submit an oral progress and financial report at the Mid- Year Conference.

Section 5. National Home Missions Director.

1) The duties of the National Home Missions Director:

(A). To serve as chairman of the National Home Missions Board.

(B). Shall direct the National Home Missions Department of the P.A.J.C., Inc., in establishing new churches, and to provide for these new churches where there is no duly organized district, according to Article X, Section 1 of this constitution and with the approval of the General Board.

- (C). To take minutes' of and record all action of Board.
- (D). This shall include the Continental North America, all English and Foreign speaking peoples, and any resident Indian tribe but shall exclude the country of Mexico.
- (E). Shall promote evangelization in all states under Article X, Section 1, Letter D of this constitution.
- (F). Shall keep each District Home Missions Board informed as to the work and plans of the National Home Missions Department.
- (G). To assist in the receiving and disbursing of all Home Missions Funds as directed by the National Home Missions Board, not to conflict with the by-laws of this constitution. See Article X, Section 3, Number 4.
- (H). Shall be a member of the General Board.
- (I). Shall submit an oral progress and financial report at the Mid Year Conference and a written progress and financial report at the General Conference.

Section 6. National Sunday School Director.

1. The duties of the National Sunday School Director:
 - (A). Shall promote a solid National Sunday School Department.
 - (B). Shall introduce to each church a method of teaching that will produce the greatest results.
 - (C). Shall provide teacher training material for all teacher training programs.
 - (D). Shall visit each church and help where needed.
 - (E). To supervise and direct the disbursing of all Sunday School Funds as directed by the National Sunday School Board.
 - (F). Shall be a member of the General Board.
 - (G). Shall submit an oral progress and financial report at the Mid-Year Conference, and a written progress and financial report at the General Conference.

Section 7. National Youth Director.

1. The duties of the National Youth Director:
 - (A). To promote a solid National Youth Program.
 - (B). To introduce to each church a method for the best results in reaching young people.
 - (C). To visit each church and help where needed.
 - (D). Shall be a member of the General Board.
 - (E). Shall submit an oral progress and financial report at the Mid-Year Conference, and a written progress and financial report at the General Conference.

Section 8. General Offices.

1. The National/General Offices of the P.A.J.C., Inc., shall be:
 - (A). General Chairman
 - (B). Assistant General Chairman
 - (C). General Secretary/Treasurer

- (D). National/International Foreign Missions Department
- (E). National Home Missions Department
- (F). National Sunday School Department
- (G). National Youth Department
- (H). National Ladies Auxiliary Department
- (I). District Chairmen

Notes:

ARTICLE VI, COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

Section 1. Executive Boards.

1. The General Chairman, Assistant General Chairman, General Secretary/Treasurer, National/International Foreign Missions Director shall be known as the General Executives.
2. The Executive Officers, while in session, shall be called the Executive Board.
3. The duties of the Executive Board shall be:
 - (A.) To sign all licenses issued by the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc.
 - (B.) To authorize all expenditures of the Organization that might occur, to carry out the orders and resolutions of the General Assembly and to conduct all business in accordance with these by-laws.
 - (C.) To act as advisory to General Officers and District Chairmen.
 - (D.) They shall meet separately from the General Board to oversee all spiritual and material matters that affect the organization in general.
 - (E.) The Executive Board cannot amend, add to or subtract from the by-laws of this constitution.
 - (F.) Two members of same family, (father & son - brother & brother up to first cousin) cannot sit on the Executive Board at the same time.
4. Anyone on the Executive Board shall be given traveling expense, actual expense up to \$150 per annum, for organizational business, excluding Mid-Year Conference and General Conference.
5. While Executive Officer are in session:
 - (A.) All Executive Officers shall be elected on a staggering yearly ballot.
6. Voting procedure on the Executive Board is as follows: The Assistant General Chairman, The National/International Foreign Missions Director, and the General Secretary/Treasurer votes.
7. The General Chairman only votes in case of a tie and in case one member abstains, or may decline to vote, dropping the issue.

Section 2. General Board.

1. The General Board shall consist of the General Chairman, Assistant General Chairman, General Secretary/Treasurer, National/International Foreign Missions Director, National Home Missions Director, National Sunday School Director, National Youth Director, and District Chairmen.

2. The duties of the General Board shall be:
 - (A). To oversee the activities of the organization; both spiritual and material, according to and within the limits of their respective office.
 - (B). To direct the general business of the organization as authorized by the by-laws of this constitution and within the limits of their own offices.
 - (C). To act as advisory to General Board and District Chairman.
3. The Board of General Officers while in session, shall be called the General Board.
4. A General Board meeting may be called by the General Chairman or General Secretary/Treasurer in times of emergency. Such emergencies shall be deemed an emergency by the General Chairman or General Secretary /Treasurer.
5. The General Board may be called upon in matters requiring attention between General Conferences as long as such action is in conformity with the existing laws of this constitution.
6. In the event of a financial or any other emergency matter affecting the well being of the organization or any of its offices, or outreaches between General Conferences, the General Chairman may call an emergency meeting of the General Board or be authorized to poll the General Officers. The opinion of the majority of these officers shall be turned over to the Executive Board for final approval. This action then shall be presented to the General Body in letter form.
7. The election of District Chairman shall be ratified by the officers of the General Board. A letter shall be sent to each for their approval.
8. Any Executive or General Board member must give 6 months prior notice of declining or resigning Executive or General Board position to the Executive Board.
9. All members of the Executive and General Board shall be present at all General Conferences and Mid-Year Conferences, or any Special Meetings announced by the General Chairman or General Secretary/ Treasurer. If it is not possible for a member to be present, he must notify the General Chairman by a certified letter or telegram, giving a legitimate reason of why they will not be in attendance. Failing to comply with this, they will automatically be dropped as a member of the Executive or General Board. Everyone is to submit a report. You also lose the right to vote on anything.

Section 3. Trustees.

1. The number of trustees shall be no less than five (5) and no more than seven (7).
2. The General Chairman, Assistant General Chairman, the General Secretary/Treasurer and the National/International Foreign Missions Director shall by virtue of office, be a member of the Trustee Board.
3. The General Chairman shall appoint the remaining trustee or trustees for a three (3) year term. To be approved by the Body.
4. The duties of the Trustees shall be:
 - (A). To act as the overseer of all properties purchased in the name of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc.
 - (B). To see to the upkeep of the properties as to improvements, repairs, building new buildings, etc.

(C). They are authorized by the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc., to make necessary loans and grant loans pertaining to the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc.

(D). They are authorized by the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc., to lease, buy or sell properties for the Organization or to work out any negotiable plan on any property involved.

(E). The General Chairman of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc., shall act as Chairman of Trustees.

(F). All properties in foreign fields shall be held in safeguard as in Article 9, Section 5 and Number 4.

(G.) All properties in homeland shall be held in safeguard as in Article 10, Section 1 and Number 1.

Section 4. Credential Committee.

1. The Credential Committee shall consist of three (3) members of the General body.

2. This committee shall be appointed by the General Chairman for a period of three (3) years.

3. The duties of the Credential Committee shall be:

(A). To carefully examine each application submitted for ministerial license, credential, and church certificate.

(B). Such applications shall have the approval of this committee before being issued during the General Conference.

(C). Shall be authorized to examine verbally the applicant if questionable.

(D). This committee shall examine all applications for ordination during General Conference.

(E). The Credential Committee shall meet at least twelve (12) hours before Business Session at the General Conference to determine the approval of all applications for license, credential and church certificate.

(F). The Credential Committee shall also become the Grievance Committee and Qualifying Committee.

Section 5. Tabulation Committee.

1. Shall consist of three (3) members of the General Body selected by the General Chairman to serve for a period of one (1) year.

2. The duties of the Tabulating Committee shall be:

(A). To collect all ballots resulting in an election of General Offices.

(B). To bring back to the General Chairman the correct number tabulated for each nominee or candidate.

Section 6. Resolution Committee.

1. The Resolution Committee shall consist of three (3) members of the General Body appointed by the General Chairman for a period of three. (3) years.

2. The duties of the Resolution Committee shall be:

(A). The Resolution Committee shall meet at least twelve (12) hours before Business Session at the General Conference to determine the approval of all resolutions, amendments and proposals.

(B). The Resolution Committee shall be governed by Article III, Section 4, Number 3 and 4 of the old constitutional book.

(C). This committee shall have the power to rewrite any resolution amendment of proposal, so long as it does not conflict or change the general content.

Section 7. Special Committees.

1. All Special committees will be appointed by the General Chairman with the approval of the majority vote of the General Body.

Section 8.

1. All other Committees and Boards either District or General shall be found under their respective departments.

Notes:

ARTICLE VII, CHURCHES

Section 1. Obligations.

1. All churches pastored by a minister holding license with the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc., is urged to co-operate with and support the Article of Faith, the Constitution of, the Departments of Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Sunday School, Youth, Ladies Auxiliary to the best of your ability.

2. We recognize the church to be sovereign within itself.

3. All our churches, with the exception of Foreign and Home Missions shall be free from any legislation that imposes any restriction or obligation of a material nature such as:

(A). Lands

(B). Church Properties

(C). Church Certificates

(D). Church Holdings

(E). Any Church real estate.

4. Programs of support, necessary for promotion of work of the Lord, may be recommended by the various Boards and Committees and the General or District Conference.

5. Churches may be affiliated with the organization for the purpose of legal and civic recognition in such states or areas that demand such as proof of tax and for other exemptions.

6. Any church desiring a certificate for the purpose of fellowship, protection, or identification, shall obtain application from the General Secretary Treasurer.

7. Any new church, either started by a minister of our congregation or established through the Home Missions Department, shall after one year obtain a church certificate.

8. Any church established by the Home Missions Department in no way destroys its right of being sovereign within itself, except such church separate itself from the Organization at which time "All Monies" shall be reimbursed according to form 001-1083 signed by party of

the first part, National Chairman and General Home Missions Director, and party of the second part, three responsible persons.

9. Each new church established by Home Missions or one of our ministers may request from the Executive Board or from the District Chairman help in adopting a form of Church Government.

10. All Churches are expected to stay in harmony with the by-laws of our Constitution.

11. No Executive, General or District Board, or officers shall have the power to remove or replace any pastor.

Notes:

ARTICLE VIII, MINISTRY

Section 1. Qualifications of Membership.

1. Anyone desiring to hold membership with the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc., must have fulfilled the command in Acts 2:38 of repentance, baptism in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and have received the Holy Ghost, with the evidence of speaking in other tongues. Furthermore, he must believe, preach and teach the same, having the call of God to the ministry.
2. An application for membership shall be properly completed.

Section 2. Licenses: Time is no element of Qualification.

1. Ordination:

In order to be admitted to the ranks of the ministry's highest calling, one must:

- (A). Be 21 year or older.
- (B). Must have three (3) years of proven ministry in the Apostolic Doctrine.
- (C). Must be in agreement with the Articles of Faith.
- (D). Must agree and co-operate with our Constitution.
- (E). Must comply with Article 3-Section 4, Paragraph 5 and Letter C.
- (F). All credential and ordination licenses shall be signed by the General Chairman, General Secretary/Treasurer and the District Chairman.
- (G). Anyone after obtaining a Local License should wait two (2) years between each step from one license to another.

2. General Licenses

In order to obtain General Licenses one must:

- (A). Carry a local license no less than two (2) years.
- (B). Must be recommended by the local pastor.
- (C). Must be examined and approved by the District Board.
- (D). Must be approved according to the scriptures. (I Tim. 3:1-7).

3. Local Elder License

- (A). Must be 18 years or older and must feel a call of God for service.
- (B). Must be in complete harmony with local Pastor and Church.
- (C). Must be in subjection to the local Pastor.
- (D). In order to qualify for Ministerial License one must serve at least two (2) years as Local minister.

4. Pentecostal Armourbearers

- (A). Eligibility for membership in local Pentecostal Armourbearers groups shall be any person up to the age of 35 years who has repented of all sins, been baptized in the name of Jesus Christ, received the Holy Ghost and is living a clean, godly life.

5. Ladies Auxiliary

- (A). Membership in the Ladies Auxiliary shall be extended only to those who are members of each local church pastored by a minister of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ who must have fulfilled the command given in Acts 2:38 of repentance, baptism in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and have received the Holy Ghost, with the evidence of speaking in other tongues.

6. Local Licenses for Women

- (A). Must feel a call for God for service.
- (B). Must be in complete harmony with local Pastor and Church.
- (C). Must be in subjection to the local Pastor.
- (D). In order to qualify for ministerial licenses a woman must serve at least two (2) years in the Ladies Auxiliary.

7. All licenses and credentials are void unless accompanied by a current fellowship card.

8. All ministers outside our fellowship with three (3) years or more of proven ministry of the Apostolic Faith shall be granted a general license, subject to all parties concerned.

9. All applications for membership (local, general and/or credentials) should be processed through the district committee for reviewing/approving. All applications will be forwarded to the National committee to the General Secretary/Treasure along with written documentation of reviews, facts, statement of approval and/or rejection. The General Secretary/Treasure would complete the process by issuing of license and cards.

10. Any minister withdrawing or being dropped from our organization must return his/her license or credentials to his respective District Chairman.

11. All information stating that any license or credential is to be withheld must be forwarded to the General Chairman and General Secretary/Treasurer in writing from the District so demanding said action.

12. License Fee and Church Certificate Fees:

- a. A new member coming into our organization within the first six months will pay for the full year. But, if a new member comes within the last six months of the fiscal year will pay one-half fees. The fiscal year is from September to September. Half the year would end May 10.

1. License , Certificate dues and/or fees shall be as follows

- a. Local License \$50.00.
- b. Church Certificate \$50.00
- c. General License \$75.00
- d. Credentials \$100.00

- b. Any Minister failing to pay his ministerial fees by the beginning of each General Conference shall be notified (by the General Secretary/Treasurer, by certified mail) that, after Sixty (60) days starting date of June 30 of each year. His name will be dropped from the membership roll. At this time they must reapply with a new application starting in the District wherein they live.
- c. Any minister dropped because of non-payment shall be reinstated upon receipt of payment of dues within a sixty (60) day period. Thereafter, a letter of termination will be sent (by the General Secretary/Treasurer, by certified mail) containing this termination date within the next thirty days. After this one year period, they must reapply with a new application.

Section 3. Rules and Obligations.

1. Our ministers may conduct meetings in any city and for any church, regardless of its organizational ties, in the Oneness movement, as long as the conduct of both the church and its pastor is in harmony with godly living and Christian ethics.
2. The dues and assessments of all ministers of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc., shall be determined by resolution as affecting same and passed by the General Body of ministers at the Annual General Conference.
3. This fee includes the official publication of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc., the church manual and credential or license.
 - A). Let it be that any Minister with license with the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc. due to age, or in ill health, or be disabled, or not able to pay the ministerial fees, receive and HONORARY licenses yearly.
4. Any minister failing to pay his ministerial fees by the beginning of each General Conference shall be notified that, after sixty (60) days starting date of September 10 of each year, his name will be dropped from the membership roll.
5. Any minister dropped because of non-payment shall be reinstated upon receipt of payment of dues within a sixty day period. Thereafter, a letter of termination will be sent containing termination date within the next thirty days.

Petition for reinstatement must be in writing, signed by the petitioner, and filed with the District Chairman in which the petitioner lives. The petitioner must state the time and facts that precipitated the dropping or withdrawal of petitioner and his reason for requesting reinstatement at this time. The petition shall then be forwarded to the General Secretary/Treasurer, then brought before the Executive Board for consideration.

All charges against a licensed or ordained minister shall be in writing over the signature of at least two accusers, in triplicate; one copy to be filed with the Secretary of the District; one with the accuser; and one to be sent by the Secretary to the defendant. The District Chairman shall appoint a suitable place and a convenient time, not less than twenty days in advance of the hearing of the charges, where there is no district. All charges to be filed with the General Secretary/Treasurer to be considered by the Executive Board.

- (A). No question can be asked nor can any evidence be submitted at the hearing, unless these questions and this evidence have a direct bearing upon the charges

already filed in writing. It is the explicit duty of the District Chairman to enforce this procedure.

(B). The court of inquiry shall consist of duly selected officers as set forth in state or general codified rules. When the defendant is an ordained minister, none but ordained ministers shall sit as judges. Both the accuser and the defendant shall be entitled to such advisors or counselors, to the number of two each, and they shall be affiliated ministers. None but the court, the accusers and witnesses in the act of testifying shall be present. The defendant shall be considered innocent, until proven guilty, and shall be treated accordingly.

(C). If the defendant confesses and truly repents and shows a contrite heart, recommendation is made for leniency and, if possible, full restoration after suitable time or probation.

(D). If the charges are against the District Chairman, the procedure shall be the same, except that it shall be the General Chairman who will preside over the court of inquiry.

(E). If the charges are proven true, and of sufficient serious nature, the defendant's name may be ordered removed from the ministerial list. The defendant shall always have the right to appeal to the Executive Board within a period of 60 days from date of trial.

(F). A person who has once been tried and proven innocent, or who repented and made restitution, shall not be tried the second time on those same charges. Any person causing dissension or division by referring to those former charges, either in writing or by word of mouth, shall be liable to discipline.

Any minister proven guilty of the sin of adultery as stated in I Cor. 5:10-11 while in this or any other organization shall not be permitted to have membership in this body. Any minister who knowingly allows such a one to take part in his services shall himself receive such disciplinary action as deemed necessary by the District Board.

10. The name of any minister dealt with in any district, for any reason that shall cause his name to be removed from the ministerial list, shall be published in a letter to the members of this Organization stating that said person is no longer affiliated.

11. Any Minister holding licenses with the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc. must work under a Pastor and or Church of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc. and must tithe through that Church.

ARTICLE IX, FOREIGN MISSIONARY POLICY

Section 1. Foreign Missionary Purpose.

1. It shall be the purpose of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc., to seek out and carry the gospel to neglected and unevangelized countries, to strive for the establishing of

self-supporting, self-propagating churches. Further it shall be our purpose to establish and maintain missionary stations rather than simply supporting a missionary or missionaries.

2. The Foreign Missionary Policy of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc., in keeping with the principles that govern the Organization, shall be cooperative. The Organization does not hire missionaries or guarantee them any stated salary.

3. As we are called of God to go into all the world and preach the gospel, and not to educate the people, we do not conduct parochial schools, only unless it is so required by the government or the conditions of the said country is such that it is necessary to carry on the work of God. No missionary shall conduct any parochial school without written consent of the Missionary Committee.

4. The Foreign Missionary Department shall renew the fellowship cards of all foreign missionaries and native ministers in good standing with the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ without charge.

Section 2. Foreign Missions Committee.

1. The Foreign Missions Committee shall consist of a National/International Director of Foreign Missions, a Foreign Missions Secretary/Treasurer, and one member from each district.

Section 3. Foreign Missionary Candidates.

1. Prospective Missionaries must be thoroughly examined by the Foreign Missionary Committee, which shall be governed in its selection of missionaries by the following requirements:

(A). As to personal experience of salvation.

(B). As to definite call to foreign missionary work.

(C). As to physical, mental and spiritual fitness for this work.

2. Prospective missionaries shall not be granted appointment until they have first qualified themselves in their homeland as to their qualities as a Christian worker.

3. Anyone desiring appointment as a foreign missionary shall first fill out the application form supplied by the Missionary Department. The Missionary Department shall then secure recommendations from the applicant's local pastor and District Board. After these requirements have been satisfactorily compiled with the applicant then must be examined by the Missionary Committee and have the endorsement of the General Board. Any missionary already in a foreign country who desires to be affiliated with the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc., may apply to the National International Director of Foreign Missions who shall submit said application to the Missionary Committee and General Board.

In no case shall a credential or license be issued to anyone going to or in a foreign field as a missionary who has not been endorsed by the Missionary Committee and General Board.

New missionaries going to the fields shall apply themselves as a first consideration, to the study of the language, the customs of the people, and the conditions of the country in order to do better missionary work.

Section 4. Foreign Missionary Support.

1. All money given for the outgoing fare and outfit of missionaries shall be deposited with the Missionary Department until needed for the purpose for which it was given. Should a missionary, for any reason, be unable to go to the field, or cease doing missionary work, the money shall be available for other missionary purposes, except in such cases where it is necessary to return same to donors. This rule shall apply to old missionaries as well as new ones going out for the first time.
2. Missionaries are required to pay to the Missionary Director 10% (tithes) on all monies received of any nature. Send monthly by mail with Form 009-1083 and 009-1083-19.
3. All visiting missionaries shall be required to record on form 009-1083 detailed information on all monies received from all churches, pledges, personal contribution or special offerings and also 009-1083-19 for expenditures.
4. All missionaries are required to have in the office of the National/ International Director of Foreign Missions, Form 009-1083 and 0091083-19 completed on the first day of each month.
5. No systematic canvas of assemblies for pledges of support for funds for fare and outfit should be made without first securing the written permission of the Missionary Department.
6. Missionaries shall not appeal to assemblies or individuals in the homelands, by correspondence or otherwise, for finance for any new undertaking without first getting the approval of the Missionary Department. It is required that missionaries do not encourage people to send offerings to them direct, but through the Missionary Department.

The National International Director of Foreign Missions shall from time to time, prepare and send to each pastor information setting forth financial progress of the Missionary Department so that the efficient administration of the Department shall not be hindered through lack of funds. It is also requested that each pastor enlighten his assembly concerning the need of supporting the Missionary Department.

Section 5. Foreign Missionary Property and Charters.

1. The charter(s) of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ corporations on foreign soil shall contain provisions or be amended stating that the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc. U.S.A. shall be party of the first and the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc., of any foreign origin shall be party of the second part in all legal transactions and on all real property of said foreign corporations where legally possible.
2. If above legal provisions cannot be made, than an official Board meeting shall be duly called and foreign Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ Corporations shall vote to be a party or be associated with the parent body, Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc. U.S.A.
3. Certified copies of all foreign charters shall be held in the General Secretary/Treasurer's office of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc. U.S.A. Notarized minutes of an official Board meeting shall be sent to the General Secretary/Treasurer's office of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc. U.S.A.
4. All property in foreign fields which has been purchased or procured by means of freewill offerings, subscriptions, donations or public funds shall be safeguarded and held by the board of Trustees U.S.A. or also deeded to the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc.

U.S.A. All missionary property shall be held by the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc. U.S.A. wherever legally possible.

5. All musical instruments, furniture and furnishings, also motor cars, other vehicles and machinery, etc. in connection with the missionary work, which have been purchased with the missionary funds, shall be regarded as property of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc. Also, items donated to missionaries' endeavorment of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc. shall not be disposed of without written consent of the Missionary Department.

6. Missionaries shall not purchase or undertake new developments of the work which would involve additional expense until approval of the Missionary Director is obtained; otherwise, the Missionary Department cannot be held responsible for the undertaking.

7. When deemed necessary special authority shall be given the Foreign Missionary to transact all legal business and sign deeds, mortgages, and all legal documents for the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc.

Section 6.

1. Missionaries in the field are encouraged to extend fellowship to other foreign missionaries in their respected countries, or Apostolic Doctrine, provided there is no conflict of interest.

Section 7. Foreign Missionary Furlough.

1. Missionaries are requested not to plan furloughs, or other extensive moves or financial outlay, without first getting written approval of the Missionary Director. The Missionary Department will not be responsible for financial obligations to missionaries when these principles are not adhered to.

2. Furlough time shall be taken only after a minimum of three (3) years tour of service on the foreign field except for emergency circumstances arising with the health of the missionary or family or national change of policy affecting the missionary program in that country. All funds for furlough of missionaries shall be taken from the ten percent (10%) withholding program, which provides emergency funds for transportation of missionaries from their station to the homeland and shall be used to pay the travel expense of the National/international Director of Foreign Missions on foreign visitations to the station supported. Funds received while at home shall be used for expenses incurred and return air fare to their respected missionary station. Appointment of all missionaries shall terminate upon the return to the homeland. While in the homeland, missionaries shall be subject to the provisions made for them by the home constituency and the Missionary Director. When the time comes for their return to the foreign field, each case shall be decided upon its own merits, due consideration given to all available facts concerning the case. After having faithfully considered every angle and all evidence in the case, the Missionary Committee shall recommend a reappointment along with the approval of the General Board. .

We recommend that each pastor extend ministerial courtesy by offering food and lodging to visiting missionaries while at their church or in their area.

Section 8. Foreign Missionary Districts.

1. Districts On the field shall be organized where there are sufficient missionaries Or native preachers.
2. Every foreign Missionary District shall have a District Elder. He shall supervise the work in his district and make regular reports and recommendations to the Missionary.

Section 9. Funds.

1. 10% of all special funds received at the General Conference shall be sent to the General Secretary/Treasurer for the General Fund.
2. The Foreign Missions Department shall assume one sixth (1/6) of all cost of the General Conference.

Notes:

ARTICLE X, HOME MISSIONS POLICY

Section 1. Purpose.

1. The purpose of the National Home Missions Department shall be:
 - (A). To evangelize the United States and Canada, which shall include all English and Foreign speaking peoples, any Indian tribes, but shall exclude the country of Mexico.
 - (B). To open new works in cities and towns where needed.
 - (C). To assist in providing pastors for these new works.
 - (D). To support such works and pastors with materials and finances until they are established.
 - (E). To raise funds solely for the support of the new work and purpose of the National Home Missions Department.

Section 2. General Operations.

1. The General Operations shall be the workings of the National Office.
2. The name shall be called the National Home Missions Department.
3. The governing body of the National Home Missions Department shall be called the National Home Missions Board.
4. The National Home Missions Board shall consist of a National Home Missions Director, the duly elected District Home Missions Director from each District.

Section 3. Duties of the National Home Missions Director.

1. To act as Chairman in the field of Home Missions as designated in Section 1, Paragraph 1.
2. To act as Chairman of the National Home Missions Board.
3. To appoint from the National Home Missions Board an acting Secretary/Treasurer to take minutes.
4. To direct in the receiving and disbursing of funds to the District Home Missions Departments for the support of Section 1, Paragraph 1. 5 To inform all District Home Missions Directors of any and all work being done in the Department.
5. He shall submit an oral progress and financial report at the Mid- Year Conference to the General Board.
6. He shall submit a written progress and financial report at the General Conference to the General Board.
7. He shall serve as a member of the General Board. 9. He shall comply with the By-Laws of this Constitution under Article V, Section 5.

Section 4. Duties of the National Home Missions Board.

1. To promote the purpose of this Department as described in Section 1, Paragraph 1, under the guidance of the National Home Missions Director.
2. To develop a Home Missions Policy and Programs which are dedicated to the purpose of this department under Section 1, Paragraph 1.
3. To hear, and examine ministers who wish to pastor new works being established by the Home Missions Department; to encourage them in the field which they are undertaking.
4. To authorize the National Home Missions Director to act in such projects as the National Home Missions Board directs, which are not in conflict with the purpose of this department.
5. To convene at all General Conferences.

Section 5. District Structure and Operation.

1. Each District shall have a District Home Missions Director and a District Home Missions Board.
2. The District Home Missions Board shall consist of the District Home Missions Director, the District Chairman, and the District Secretary/Treasurer.

Section 6. Duties of the District Home Missions Director.

1. To be elected by the District to a term of two (2) years.
2. To serve as chairman of the District Home Missions Department.
3. To report at each District Business Meeting the progress and development of the District Home Missions Department.
4. To submit a written report to the National Director on a quarterly basis and provide a summary report at least one (1) month prior to both the General Conference and the Mid-Year Conference.
5. To serve on the National Home Missions Board.
6. To promote the raising of funds for the District's Home Missions program.
7. To visit all District churches, presenting a program of interest for the purpose of securing funds for the establishing of new works.
8. To relate to the District Home Missions Board a report of the National Home Missions Board.
9. To labor in:
 - (A). Searching for areas where new works could be developed,
 - (B). Locating suitable structures to house new works,
 - (C). Securing ministers to pastor new District works.
10. To conduct meetings to plan the affairs of the district.
11. To direct the receiving and disbursing of all Home Missions funds within the District.

Section 7. Duties of the District Home Missions Secretary/Treasurer.

1. The District Secretary/Treasurer shall fulfill the duties of the District Home Missions Secretary/Treasurer.
2. The duties of the District Home Missions Secretary/Treasurer shall be:
 - (A). To take minutes and keep records of all District Home Missions proceedings.

- (B). To keep a record of all funds and transactions which shall be subject to inspection by the officials of the District Board.
- (C). To give a report to the District of all meetings and such transactions and to provide a written report to the National Home Missions Director one (1) month prior to both the General Conference and the Mid-Year Conference.
- (D). To receive all funds within and without the District sent to the District Home Missions Department.
- (E). To write and sign all vouchers as directed by the District Home Missions Director and the District Home Missions Board.

Section 8. Duties of the District Home Missions Board.

1. To formulate (put together and express in a clear, orderly way) the policy of the District Home Missions Department, subject to approval by the District Board. All policy shall stay within the guidelines of Section 1, Paragraph 1.
2. To determine the need for new works within the District.
3. To regulate the funds for the purpose of Section 1, Paragraph 1.
4. To determine who shall be eligible to receive Home Missions support.
5. In the event of hardship situation where petition has been made by an existing work for additional financial support, the District Home Missions Board shall consider such matters.
6. Any church within our affiliation may petition the District Home Missions Board for Home Missions status. Acquiring such status would subject that church to all regulations pertinent to National and District Home Missions by-laws.
7. Any new work or church within our affiliation that has or acquires Home Missions status shall have its status reviewed annually by the National Home Missions Board.

Section 9. Home Missions Funds.

1. All funds (donated, of offerings, or of personal contributions, etc.) or real or personal properties (land, vehicles, musical instruments, furnishings, etc.) that are given in support and for the purpose of Home Mission shall be used solely in Home Missions work under Section 1, Paragraph 1 of this policy.
2. All funds raised at the General Conference or at the National level (by donation, pledge, personal contribution, etc.) shall remain in the National Home Missions Department for disbursement by the National Home Missions Board.
3. A total of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) a year shall be allotted the National Home Missions Director for the operation of his office (postage, letterheads, calling cards, phone calls, etc.). Expenses in excess of this amount shall require approval of the Executive Board.
4. The Home Missions Department shall assume one sixth (1/6) of all cost of the General Conference.
5. Funds, offerings and tithes.
 - (A). Twenty-five percent (25%) of monthly district funds are to sent to the National Home Missions Department for disbursement by the General Home Missions Board. Seventy-five percent (75%) is to be kept in each district that has an active Home

Missions Department. Any region that does not have an organized district sends all (100%) of their monies directly to the National Home Missions Director.

(B). Ten percent (10%) tithes are to be paid on the Seventy-five (75%) that are received in each district that is organized, to be sent to the General Secretary/Treasurer for the General Fund.

(C). One hundred percent (100%) of Special Offerings, (example ..Thanksgiving ..Easter) goes to the National Home Missions Department with ten percent (10%) tithing paid to the General Fund.

(D). Ten percent (10%) tithing is to be paid to the General Fund from the Twenty-five percent (25%) the National Home Missions receives.

6. The National Home Missions Department shall operate it's own checking account requiring the signature of either the National Home Missions Director or the General Secretary/Treasurer. Both names would be on the account, but requiring only one signature. A financial report must comply with Article III, Section 4, Number 2, Letter (K).

7. In the event of default by the National Home Missions church, all monies given in support for the work shall require repayment, unless otherwise specified by the National Home Missions Board.

8. Home Missions Funds shall not be invested in property, furnishings, etc, of which the title ownership is in question. All escrow accounts and grant monies must be secured at attachment or lien upon properties and holdings (furnishings). The attachment or lien must stipulate that if such church agrees to withdraw, or fellowship to be terminated for any reason, or be dissolved, or default in the program, the church pastor and/or elected board of trustees must repay by sale of property, furnishings, etc., or arrange to do so to the satisfaction of the District Home Missions Board.

9. Outlay of programs and funds to be approved by the National and District Home Mission Boards.

10. New Home Missions works are to be maintained by deputation work done within the appropriate district by the Home Missions Candidate ~ the work in begun. These funds are to be held in escrow for the individual work and disbursed in accordance with District Guidelines.

11. Home Missions works maybe eligible for Block Grants from the District Home Missions Board if there is a financially able District, or apply for these funds through the National Home Missions Board.

12. Monies loaned to qualified and established churches shall be repaid, interest-free and according to the agreement with the National or District Home Missions Board, whichever has made the loan and the church trustees, or other responsible persons, according to Section 9, Numbers 8, 9, 12.

Section 10. Qualifications of Candidates.

1. The Candidate must be a General License minister of at least twenty five (25) years of age. The age requirement may be waived by the District Home Missions Board in view of the Candidate's ministry to date and the amount of durable work in place.

2. He must be in accordance with P.A.J .C., Inc., Constitution and By Laws.
3. The P.A.J.C., Inc., must be the Candidate's sole affiliation.
4. He must have a ministry and calling compatible with Home Missions work.
5. The Candidate must demonstrate physical, mental, and spiritual fitness for this work.
6. He must be active in the appropriate District for one (1) year prior to application. This requirement waived only by the District Board.

Section 11. Duties of the Home Missions Candidate.

1. His duty shall be to establish a church (a body of believers).
2. Neither church services nor the Candidate's tenure shall be terminated before three (3) years except by written permission from the General and District Home Missions Boards; or, in the event of decertification by the General Home Missions Board at the annual status review.
3. He shall make monthly and annual reports of progress and financial status. Monthly reports due by the fifteenth (15th) of the following General Conference, fiscal year closing JUNE 30.
4. The Candidate shall give full stewardship to this work.
5. He is to have fellowship and work in harmony with the supporting district, provided that district fellowship is within reasonable distance.
6. Must apply to District Home Missions Board for approval as a Home Missions Pastor.

Section 12. Constitution of a Home Missions Church.

1. Any new or existing work awarded Home Missions status must have initiated proper procedure and operate in accordance with guidelines written heretofore.
2. No new work within any district may be deemed a Home Missions Church without applying for such status through the District Home Missions Board or National Home Missions Board in regions where there is no organized district. And no District Home Missions Board shall be under any obligation to pay any new work begun without prior approval and proper adherence to written procedure.
3. Must have a pastor who meets the requirements of Section 10, and performs the duties contained in Section 11.

Section 12. Proposals.

All proposals of the Home Missions Department either National or District shall be routed to the Resolution Committee under Article III, Section 4, Paragraph 3, 4, and 5.

Notes:

ARTICLE XI, SUNDAY SCHOOL POLICY

Section 1. Name.

The name of this department shall be the National Sunday School Department of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc.

Section 2. Purpose.

1. The purpose of this department shall be to propagate the word through the local Sunday Schools throughout the entire body by encouraging better and more efficient methods of teaching.
2. Its purpose shall also be for the procuring and printing of the best available Sunday School literature in order to unite the Sunday Schools through the system of a uniform teaching program.
3. To provide teaching materials to our youth camp(s) when requested.
4. To create programs that will encourage efficient work in our Sunday Schools by way of seminars on leadership and teaching techniques.
5. To help the teaching staff by producing and encouraging a teacher training program in each church.
6. To promote church growth in evangelizing our cities and towns.
7. Conduct a yearly Sunday School drive and contest, through out-reach visitation.
8. To assist all Sunday Schools both at home and in the foreign lands, in teaching the word of God.
9. To secure full cooperation from pastors in our organization in matters relating to our Sunday School Program.

Section 3. Membership.

1. Membership in this department shall consist of all members registered in the local Sunday Schools, whose pastors are members of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc.

Section 4. Governing Body.

1. The governing body of the National Sunday School Department shall be:
 - (A). A General Sunday School Board.
 - (B). A District Sunday School Board.

Section 5. General Officers.

1. The General Officers of the National Sunday School Department shall be:
 - (A). A National Sunday School Director

(B). A National Sunday School Secretary

Section 6. Duties of the National Sunday School Director.

1. The National Sunday School Director shall have the authority and oversight of the following:
 - (A). Perform the duties as authorized by this policy.
 - (B). Authorize and conduct the duties outlined by the National Sunday School Board.
 - (C). Initiate Sunday School Rallies and Sunday School Conferences, both National and District, and supervise each as far as possible.
 - (D). Preside over all National Sunday School Board and National Sunday School Conference meetings.
 - (E). Shall submit an oral progress and financial report at the Mid Year Conference, and a written progress and financial report at the General Conference.

Section 7. Duties of the General Sunday School Secretary.

1. Shall keep the minutes of all meetings which involve the National Sunday School Board.
2. Shall work in harmony with the office of the National Sunday School Director, carrying out the duties, which shall be regulated to him by said office.
3. The General Sunday School Secretary shall be appointed by the National Sunday School Director at each General Conference to take minutes.
 - (A). Acting only during General Conference.

Section 8. National Sunday School Board.

1. The National Sunday School Board shall consist of National Sunday School Director, District Sunday School Director from each district and the National Sunday School Secretary.
2. The duty of the National Sunday School Board shall be:
 - (A). To meet at each General Conference to formulate Programs to be used in our Sunday School Departments.
3. To provide means of support, subject to approval by the General Body.
4. All proposals made by the National Sunday School Board shall be given to the Resolution Committee under Article III, Section 3.

Section 9. District Structure.

1. Each district shall elect one District Sunday School Director to serve for a period of one (1) year.
2. Each district shall have a District Sunday School Board.

Section 10. Duties of the District Sunday School Director.

1. The duties of the District Sunday School Director shall be:
 - (A). To serve as chairman of District Sunday School Board.
 - (B). To serve on General Sunday School Board.
 - (C). Shall provide a written report to the National Sunday School Director prior to General Conference and Mid-Year Conference.
 - (D). Shall work in harmony with National Sunday School Director at all times to promote interest and enthusiasm in all rally and fellowship meetings throughout the district.
 - (E). To obtain a general report from all Sunday Schools in district, and forward such to National Sunday School Director.
 - (F). To urge all pastors to comply with programs and funds to support this department.

Section 11. The District Sunday School Board.

1. The duties of the District Sunday School Board shall be:
 - (A). To promote every program of the Sunday School throughout the district.
 - (B). To meet at each district meeting to formulate such programs.
 - (C). The members of the District Sunday School Board shall be: a District Sunday School Director, the District Chairman, and the District Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 12. Funds.

1. Sunday School funds either donated, raised or by any other means, shall be sent each month to the National Sunday School Director for the support of the National Sunday School Department.
 - a. 50% sent to National Sunday School Director.
 - b. 50% to stay in district where donated, raised or Sunday School Tithes.
2. Each Sunday School shall tithe their offerings and send each month to the National Sunday School Director for the support of the National Sunday School Department.
 - a. 50% to stay in district where tithed.
 - b. 50% sent to national Sunday School Director.
3. In the event, there are not enough funds received to promote this department, other means shall be used by the National Sunday School Director to raise such funds as needed.
4. All proposals of the National Sunday School Department shall be turned Over to the Resolution Committee under Article III, Section 4, Paragraph 3, 4, and 5.
5. The Sunday School Department shall assume one sixth (1/6) of all costs of the General Conference.
6. The National Sunday School Department will send to the General Fund of the P.A.J.C., 10% YEARLY on the increase for that year.

Notes:

ARTICLE XII, NATIONAL YOUTH DEPARTMENT

Section 1. Name.

The name of this department shall be "Pentecostal Armourbearers".

Section 2. General Officers.

1. General Officers for the Pentecostal Armourbearers shall be:
 - (A). National Youth Department Director
 - (B). Camp Administrator (not a General Office)
 - (C). National Secretary

Section 3. Election of Officers.

1. The National Youth Director shall be elected according to Article IV. Section 6.
2. The National Youth Director, by virtue of a National Office shall be a member of the General Board.
3. The Camp Administrator shall be appointed by the Executive Board with the advise of the National Youth Director for a period of one (1) year.
4. The National Youth Secretary shall be appointed by the National Youth Director at the General Conference.

Section 4. Qualifications and Restrictions.

1. Qualifications of the general officers of the Pentecostal Armourbearers shall be:
 - (A). Officers must be ministers of the gospel.
 - (B). Must be at least twenty-five (25) years of age.
2. The National Youth Director must be an ordained minister of the Gospel, except for prior approval of the Executive Board.
 - (A). Camp Administrator does not necessarily have to be a minister.
 - (B). The National Youth Secretary does not necessarily have to be a minister.

Section 5. Duties of Officers.

1. The duties of the National Youth Director shall be:
 - (A). To preside over all youth activities of national youth gatherings.
 - (B). To aid District Directors in youth work under the supervision of the District Chairman and to foster unity among the districts.
 - (C). To call and preside over all meetings of the National Pentecostal Armourbearers Committee who shall meet at each General Conference or at any other time deemed necessary and approved by the General Board.
 - (D). To visit each district, whenever possible, at the request of the District Youth Director.
 - (E). Work under the direction of the General Board.

- (F). The National Youth Director shall choose the National camp speakers with the advise of the General Board.
- (G). Locate a suitable site for camp, subject to approval by the Executive Board.
- 2. The duties of the Camp Administrator shall be:
 - (A). Must work in harmony under the supervision of the National Youth Director.
 - (B). Shall be in charge of all material substances:
 - 1. Foods and drinks, Snack Bar materials
 - 2. Sporting Equipment
 - 3. Sleeping Accommodations
 - 4. Registration advance and on the grounds
 - 5. Locate a suitable site for camp, subject to approval by the Executive Board.
- 3. The duties of the Secretary shall be:
 - (A). To take minutes of proceedings of the National Armourbearers Committee meeting.
 - (B). To be chosen by the National Youth Director at the General Conference.
 - (C). Acting only at the General Conference.

Section 6. Committee.

- 1. The National Pentecostal Armourbearers Committee
 - (A). This committee shall be composed of the National Youth Director, the camp Administrator and a Youth Director from each District.

Section 7. The Duties of the Pentecostal Armourbearers Committee.

- 1. The duties of the Pentecostal Armourbearers Committee shall be:
 - (A). To assist and counsel with the National Youth Director in all matters pertaining to general young people work.
 - (B). To decide the order of all National Youth gatherings.
 - (C). To assist and advise the Camp Administrator.
- 2. This committee's activities shall be supervised by the General Board.

Section 8. District Structure of Youth Departments.

- 1. Officers:
 - (A). District Officers shall consist of a District Youth Director.
- 2. Elections and Appointments
 - (A). The District Youth Director shall be elected by the District Conference for a period of two (2) years.
 - (B). A successor shall be appointed in such case where there is no District Youth Director, or if a vacancy occurs.
- 3. Qualifications and Restrictions.
 - (A). All District Youth Directors must be in good standing with their respective districts.
 - (B). Must be a member of the Pentecostal Armourbearers.

4. The duties of the District Youth Director shall be:
- (A). To supervise the district young people's work.
 - (B). To serve on the General Pentecostal Armourbearers Committee representing his district.
 - (C). To promote a spirit of worship at all district meetings.
 - (D). To preside over all district meetings.
 - (E). Shall choose the district speaker for each rally with the advise of the District Chairman.

Section 9. Local Pentecostal Armourbearers,

1. Qualifications and requirements for affiliation.
- (A). Request for membership in local Pentecostal Armourbearers shall be any young person up to the age of 35 years who has repented of all sins, been baptized in Jesus Name for the remission of sins, received the Holy Ghost and living a clean godly life.
 - (B). Any young person requesting membership with the Pentecostal Armourbearers must belong to a church pastored by a minister who belongs to the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc.

Section 10. Funds.

1. The District Youth Director shall receive all funds and record all offerings in his respective district and forward them to the District Secretary /Treasurer.
2. 20% of all funds received is to be forwarded to the National Youth Department for the disbursement of funds for the National Youth Department.
3. 10% of the profit received from Youth Camp shall be paid to the General Secretary/Treasurer for the General Fund.
4. The National Youth Department shall assume one sixth (1/6) of all the costs of the General Conference.

Notes:

ARTICLE XIII , DEPARTMENT OF PUBLICATION

Section 1. Name.

1. The name of this department shall be the Department of Publications.

Section 2. Purpose.

- (A). To furnish the official organ of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc.
- (B). To assure the readers of clean Christian, Bible centered literature.

Section 3. Election of Officers.

The official publication of this organ shall be known as "The Outlook".

Section 4. Editor of the Outlook.

1. The editor of The Outlook shall be appointed by the General Board, subject to ratification of the General Body, for a period of three (3) years.

Section 5. Duties of the Editor.

1. The duties of the editor shall be:

(A). To receive and edit all material sent to The Outlook for publication.

(B). To have the right to screen and reject any material in question sent for publication.

(C). Shall publish The Outlook four (4) times each year and distribute by mail to all who finance this publication.

(D). Shall make an oral report at each Mid-Year Conference.

(E). Shall make a written report of each General Conference.

Section 6. Contributing Editors.

1. Each department shall contribute articles relating to your department for each edition.

Section 7. Funds.

1. All funds shall be received by the General Secretary/Treasurer and distributed upon request to the editor.

2. All pastors, churches, persons receiving this publication are urged to give their support to cover the cost of printing.

3. Each district pays \$200.00 a year and all national offices also pay \$300.00 per year. All churches, persons receiving this publication shall be assessed the price which will be set according to inflation payable each month to the department of publication and sent to Outlook editor. All licensed ministers to receive one free with each publication.

Notes:

ARTICLE XIV LADIES AUXILIARY

Section 1. Name.

The name of this department shall be the National Ladies Auxiliary Department of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc.

Section 2. Purpose.

1. The purpose of the National Ladies Auxiliary shall be to assist in the needs of the local churches.

2. To assist when needed in the foreign field endeavor.

3. To assist in the needs of Home Missions Churches.

4. To assist in the needs of the Sunday School Department as needed.

Section 3. Governing Body.

1. The governing body of the Ladies Auxiliary shall be:
 - (A). A National President, a National Vice President and a National Secretary/Treasurer.
 - (B). One District President and one District Secretary/Treasurer.
 - (C). One local President and one local Secretary/Treasurer.
 - (D). The governing body of the National Ladies Auxiliary shall be called: Ladies Auxiliary Committee. .

Section 4. Membership.

1. Membership in the National Ladies Auxiliary shall be extended only to those who are members of a local church pastored by a minister of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc.

Section 5. Duties of the Ladies Auxiliary Committee.

1. Duties of the Ladies Auxiliary Committee shall be:
 - (A). To formulate policy for the Ladies Auxiliary Departments.
 - (B). To regulate funds for the purpose of Section 2 of this policy.

Section 6. Election and Terms of Office.

1. The following officers shall be elected as specified.
 - (A). National officers shall be elected by the general meeting of Ladies Auxiliary and shall serve for a term of three (3) years.
 - (B). District officers shall be elected by the Ladies Auxiliary but the term of office shall be for two (2) years.
 - (C). Local church officers shall be elected at the discretion of the local auxiliary.

Section 7. Duties of Officers.

1. The duties of the National President shall be:
 - (A). To preside at all National meetings of the Ladies Auxiliary.
 - (B). To preside at all National committee meetings of the Ladies Auxiliary.
 - (C). To submit a written report to the General Conference.
 - (D). To give an oral report to the General Secretary/Treasurer one month prior to the Mid-Year Conference.
 - (E.). To serve on the General Board at the Mid-Year Conference as advisor without voting rights.
2. The duties of the National Vice President shall be:
 - (A). To perform such responsibilities as directed by the President.
 - (B). To act in the President's stead, when so needed or requested, of the Ladies Auxiliary.
 - (C). To assist the President in all matters relating to the work.
3. Duties of the National Secretary/Treasurer shall be:
 - (A). To take minutes and keep a record of all general meetings of the Ladies Auxiliary and Committee.
 - (B). To receive and disburse all funds received by the National Ladies Auxiliary as directed by the Ladies Auxiliary Committee.

- (C). To submit a written report to the Ladies Auxiliary National President six (6) weeks before the Mid-Year and General Conference.
4. The duties of the District President shall be:
- (A). To preside at the district meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary.
 - (B). To preside over all district committees which may be appointed.
 - (C). To give a report to the District Conference.
 - (D). To submit a written report to the National Ladies Auxiliary quarterly.
 - (E.) To cooperate with and work under the supervision of the District Board.
5. The duties of the District Secretary/Treasurer shall be:
- (A). To take minutes and keep a record of all district meetings of the Ladies Auxiliary and Committees.
 - (B). To receive and disburse all the funds received by the District Ladies Auxiliary as directed by the District President and District Board.
 - (C). To submit a report to the District Conference.
 - (D). To submit a report to the National President six weeks prior to the Mid- Year Conference and General Conference.
6. The duties of the District Ladies Auxiliary Committee shall be:
- (A). The District Ladies Auxiliary Committee shall consist of:
 - 1. District President
 - 2. District Secretary/Treasurer
 - 3. Local President from each church.
 - (B). This committee shall work with the District President in formulating and carrying out the program of the Ladies Auxiliary.
 - (C). To promote enthusiasm in the work of the Ladies Auxiliary in the district and local churches.

Section 8. Funds.

1. The National Ladies Auxiliary shall be funded thru projects formulated by the National Committee.
2. The district shall be funded thru projects formulated thru the district.
3. The Local Ladies Auxiliary shall be funded thru projects locally.
4. All monies received in offerings in a National level shall be kept in the National Ladies Auxiliary Fund.
5. All monies received in offerings in a district level shall be kept in the District Fund.
6. All monies received in offerings in a local church shall be kept in the local funds.
7. All local assemblies are to send 10% to the District Secretary/Treasurer.
8. All District assemblies are to send 20% to the National Secretary/Treasurer.
9. The National Ladies Auxiliary Department shall assume one sixth (1/6) of all cost of the General Conference.

Notes:

ARTICLE XV, DISTRICTS

Section 1. Formulation.

1. Any group of ministers desiring to form a new district may apply to the General Assembly or the General Chairman and the District Chairman of the district from which they wish to separate, and they shall decide upon the advisability of forming a new district.

Section 2. Consolidation.

1. When the consolidation of districts is deemed necessary or beneficial by the officers, the officers of said district must apply to the General Board.

Section 3. Government.

1. All districts will be governed by its own constitution subject to the By-laws of the General Constitution.

(A). Each district shall have the right to adopt such by-laws as it deems needful to enforce or handle matters not mentioned in this constitution and amendments thereto; and any such by-laws shall not be construed to enlarge upon, change or waive any article or provision of the General Constitution or By-Laws, or any amendment thereto.

(B). Each district will have a chairman elected in the district.

(C). Every established district, if there be 10 ministers, will have an Assistant District Chairman.

Section 4. District Chairman.

1. The duties of the District Chairman shall be:

(A). To preside at all District Conferences.

(B). To call and preside at all District Board meetings.

(C). To appoint all committees pertaining to district work.

(D). To Oversee the functions of the district in general.

(E). To serve on the General Board at the Mid-Year and Conferences as an advisor with voting rights.

(F). To make a report to the District Conference.

(G). To make a progressive report only at the General Conference.

Section 5. District Vice Chairman.

1. The duties of the District Vice Chairman shall be:

(A). To work under and in harmony with District Chairman.

(B). To fill the office of District Chairman if and when necessary or when so requested by the District Chairman.

(C). By virtue of his office he shall be a member of the District Board.

(D). Shall preside over special appointed committees.

Section 6. District Secretary/Treasurer.

1. The duties of the District Secretary/Treasurer shall be:
 - A) To take minutes and to preserve records of the business of the district.
 - B) To receive and disburse all district funds.
 - C) Has the authority to call a district business meeting if the need arises.
 - D) Furnish a written report to District Business Meetings to the office of the General Secretary/Treasurer.

Section 7. Finances.

1. District monies received at District fellowship meetings shall be divided as follows: twenty percent (20%) shall be sent to the General Secretary/Treasurer for the General Fund and eighty percent (80%) shall remain in the district.

Notes:

ARTICLE XVI, PASTORAL COURTESY

Section 1. Change in Membership.

1. Whereas, this Constitution is not binding upon the laity, each pastor should issue to any member leaving his assembly, a letter of recommendation, if such is merited, and should secure from members transferring to his assembly the same.
2. Pastors should consult and agree upon all matters that concern them jointly, in the operation of their churches where continued fellowship is a prime factor.
3. There is no higher calling in life than that of a Bishop or Pastor and the very fate of the souls of the laity depends upon the leadership, counsel and ministry of these who have divine appointment.
4. Pastors should work toward a higher standard, a greater consecration and the continued spirituality of the laity in their charge.

ARTICLE XVII, MINISTERIAL COURTESY

Section 1. Fivefold Ministry.

1. The Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc., acknowledges and believes in the fivefold ministry according to Ephesians 4:11-13, "And he gave some apostles; and some prophets; and some evangelists; and some pastors and teachers. For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ!"

(A). The Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc., seek and desire that all that are called into the fivefold ministry respect and work one with another in a spirit of harmony with each acknowledging the other calling and position in God in the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc.

(B). The Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc., request that all pastors use and preach all evangelists, (and missionaries), teachers, prophets and apostles, whose livelihood depends upon the preaching or teaching of the word of God, with first

consideration to licensed ministers of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc., in all districts and work with these fellow ministers in securing meetings outside the Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ, Inc.

Notes:

ARTICLE VIII, AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended at the General Conference by a vote of a majority, pertinent to the procedures as outlined herein.