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Zion Union Federated Church) to The Public) Articles of Incorporation

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Constitution of Zion Union Federated Church.

Article 1.

This organization shall be known as Zion Union Federated Church.

Article 11.

The object of the organization shall be to promote the spiritual welfare of this community and perfect an organization for ourselves and future generations.

Article 111.

QUALIFICATION OF MEMBERSHIP.

Any person may become a member who shall accept and remain steadfast in the faith and teaching of the Holy Bible; who shall endeavor to promote peace and unity in the church; who shall labor to spread love and righteousness among all; who shall give of his earthly means as the Lord permits him to prosper and who by word and deed shall bring others into the fold of Jesus Christ; If any person seeks membership in this organization and still desires to retain their membership in the church of their choice, it will be permitted.

Article 1V.

OFFICERS.

Section 1. NAMES. The Official Board of this organization shall consist of five Trustees one Clerk and one Treasurer, they choosing their Chairman from their own number.

Section 11. ELECTION, That first Official Board to be elected by signers of accepted Constitution. Officers to be elected annually for a term of one year.

The officers for the first year following the adoption of this constitution shall be as follows:-

CLERK. Mrs. John Herrell

TREASURER Arthur Jones

TRUSTEES. Will Sellars, Walter Hann, Walter Schoenenberger, Melvin Jones, R. H. Anderson.

Section 111. DUTIES. Div a. The Clerk shall act as Secretary for all Official Board meetings and shall have charge of all church records, including the Constitution and rules, deeds, insurance policies mortgages and membership roll. He shall issue warrants to the Treasurer as directed by the Official Board. He shall set exact date of Official Board meetings in absence of Chairman. He shall issue church letters.

Div. b The Treasurer shall receive all monies and disburse same upon receipt of a written order from the Clerk. He shall present a report of financial condition of church yearly.

Div c. The Board of Trustees shall act as custodians of all church property and shall see that same is properly insured.

An elder Trustee shall act as Chairman of the Official Board meetings in the absence of chosen Chairman.

They shall constitute a finance committee who shall prepare an estimate of the current expenses and benevolences for the ensuing year, which shall include pastor's salary, heat, light, insurande, music, repairs and supplies, janitor and miscellaneous items, When these estimates are approved by the Official Board immediate steps shall be taken by a personal canvass of the entire membership of the church and constituents to secure pledges to meet these demands. It shall devolve upon the Board as a body to secure a pastor and fix his salary. They shall approve or refuse all reports. It shall be their duty to select three members to act as Deacons or Elders, they to assist the pastor in any way they can.

The Board shall also appoint a committee to provide the elements for the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Section 1V. TIME OF BOARD MEETINGS. Three meetings to be held each year. First meeting, the last week in the fourth month; Second Meeting, last week of the eighth month, and Third Meeting, last week in the twelve month. The exact date of these meetings shall be set by Chairman and, in his absence, by the Clerk.

Artiele V.

AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution may be amended by the presentation of a written motion of two members to any meeting, but action shall not be taken thereon until some stated meeting when by a majority vote of Two Thirds (2/3) of all members of the organization it shall stand.

GENERAL RULES.

There shall be two (2) Sacraments observed; Baptism and the Lord's Supper. Baptism shall be administered to those coming up for admission to membership in any form desired by such person. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be observed according to the wishes of the pastor in charge.

Article Vl.

RECEPTION OF MEMBERS.

Do you here in the presence of God and of the congregation renew the solemn promise and accept and remain steadfast in the faith and teachings of the Holy Bible: and endeavor to promote peace and unity in the church; also labor to spread love and righteousness among all; shall give of your earthly means as the Lord permits ypu to prosper and by word and deed shall bring others into the fold of Jesus Christ?

Answer to be given as minister so plans.

Will Sellers
Mrs. Etta Harrell
Edgar Harrell
Mrs. Jno. F. Harrell
Mrs. Walter Hann
Mr. John W. Graves
Geo. M. Shoemaker

State of Iowa Madison County SS: On this 3rd day of June A.D. 1920 before me personally appeared Will Sellers, Mrs Etta Harrell, Edgar Harrell Mrs. Jno. F. Harrell, Mrs. Walter Hann, Mr. John W. Graves and Geo. M. Shoemaker to me personally known to be the identical persons whose names are affixed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledge the same to be their voluntary act and deed for the purpose therein expressed.

W. T. Guiher
Notary Public in and for said County.