

Comparison of 2020 Bylaws Section 3.0 with recommended 2023 Bylaws section 4.0

2020 Bylaws	2023 Recommended by the Board for amendment by the Members	Changes	
<b>3.0 MEETINGS OF MEMBERS</b>	<b>4.0 CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS</b>	<b>4.0 CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS.</b>	Deleted: 3
<b>3.1 Place and Manner of Conduct.</b> All business meetings of the Congregation shall be held within Monroe County, Indiana and in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.	<b>4.1 Place and Manner of Conduct.</b> All business meetings of the Church will be held within Monroe County, Indiana. Unless prevented by emergency conditions, both in-person and virtual options for participation will be available. Meetings will be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order or another agreed-upon system of meeting management.	<b>4.1 Place and Manner of Conduct.</b> All business meetings of the Church will be held within Monroe County, Indiana. Unless prevented by emergency conditions, both in-person and virtual options for participation will be available. Meetings will be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order or another agreed-upon system of meeting management.	Deleted: OF MEMBERS
<b>3.2 Regular Meetings and Fiscal Year.</b> There shall be two regular meetings of the Members each year, one of which shall be the Annual Meeting (hereinafter referred to as the Spring Meeting) held not more than two months before the close of each fiscal year of the Church, and the other of which shall be the Autumn Meeting held not more than six months after the close of each fiscal year of the Church. The fiscal year of the Church shall end on June 30th of each year.	<b>4.2 Regular Meetings and Fiscal Year.</b> There will be two regular meetings of the Members each year, one of which will be the Annual Meeting, held in the spring, not more than two months before the close of each fiscal year of the Church, and the other of which, the Mid-year Meeting, will be held not more than six months after the close of each fiscal year of the Church. The fiscal year of the Church will end on June 30 of each year.	<b>4.2 Regular Meetings and Fiscal Year.</b> There will be two regular meetings of the Members each year, one of which will be the Annual Meeting, held in the spring, not more than two months before the close of each fiscal year of the Church, and the other of which, the Mid-year Meeting, will be held not more than six months after the close of each fiscal year of the Church. The fiscal year of the Church will end on June 30 of each year.	Deleted: 3
<b>3.3 Special Meetings.</b> Special meetings of Members may be called by the Minister(s), President, four of the Members of the Board of Directors, or by written petition signed by not less than one-tenth of all Members authorized by the Articles of Incorporation to vote.	<b>4.3 Special Meetings.</b> Special congregational meetings may be called by the Lead Minister, President of the Board, at least four of the members of the Board of Directors, or by written petition signed	<b>4.3 Special Meetings.</b> Special congregational meetings may be called by the Lead Minister, President of the Board, at least four of the members of the Board of Directors, or by written petition signed	Deleted: shall
<b>3.4 Notices.</b> A written or printed notice stating the place, day and hour of the meeting--and in the case of a special			Deleted: shall
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meeting, the purpose for which such a meeting is called--shall be delivered or mailed by the Secretary, or by the Officer or a representative of the group of persons calling the meeting, to each Member of record at the address appearing upon the records of the Church, and on the Church bulletin board, at least ten (10) days before the date of the meeting.	by not less than one-tenth of all Members and submitted to the Board.	by not less than one-tenth of all Members and submitted to the Board.	Deleted: authorized by the Articles of Incorporation to vote.
<b>3.5 Voting.</b> Every Member shall have the right to one vote at every meeting. A Member may vote in person only.	<b>4.4 Notices.</b> A notice stating the place, day and hour of the congregational meeting – and in the case of a special meeting, the purpose for which such a meeting is convened – will be sent by the church office at the direction of the Secretary of the Board to each Member at the email or physical address appearing on the records of the Church and on the Church website, at least thirty (30) days before the date of the meeting.	<b>4.4 Notices.</b> A notice stating the place, day and hour of the congregational meeting – and in the case of a special meeting, the purpose for which such a meeting is convened – will be sent by the church office at the direction of the Secretary of the Board to each Member at the email or physical address appearing on the records of the Church and on the Church website, at least thirty (30) days before the date of the meeting.	Deleted: 3
<b>3.6 Quorum.</b> Ten percent (10%) of the membership of the Church shall constitute a quorum, except that one third of the total membership shall always be necessary to constitute a quorum at a meeting at which the appointment or dismissal of a Minister(s) is to be determined.	<b>4.5 Voting.</b> Every Member will have the right to one vote. A Member may vote in person or electronically. Proxy votes will not be permitted.	<b>4.5 Voting.</b> Every Member will have the right to one vote. A Member may vote in person or electronically. Proxy votes will not be permitted.	Deleted: A written or printed
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