

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FELLOWSHIP OF PROPHETIC CHURCHES AND MINISTRIES

Article I - Name

The name of the organization shall be The Fellowship of Prophetic Churches and Ministries (hereinafter "FPCM") under the auspices of Faith Christian Church and International Outreach Center.



Article II - Nature of FPCM

The primary nature of FPCM is to provide fellowship, leadership, and service for those in the ministry of the Lord Jesus.

In recognizing the unity of the entire Body of Christ and specifically the ministry gifts God has set in the church as described in Ephesians 4:11-12, 1 Corinthians 12:28, and Romans 12:4-8, FPCM declares itself strongly in support of the supernatural ministries and operations of its members.

FPCM is an outreach and assistance organization to help establish those called to pastoral ministry; govern its members; and provide associate or affiliate status to qualifying churches.

FPCM will meet regularly for the purpose of providing members an opportunity for fellowship, as well as giving and receiving vision, direction, and valuable information to more effective ministry.

FPCM adheres to Biblical standards and righteousness in ministerial and personal conduct in accordance with the scriptures: "Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord" (Hebrews 12:14).

We foresee that FPCM will ultimately become a network of ministers, working together to evangelize, establish churches, teach, organize mission projects, and pursue as many varied areas of ministry as may prove beneficial for the proclaiming of the Good News.

Article III- Nature and Purpose of the FPCM Executive Administrative Board

FPCM shall appoint an Executive Administrative Board which will consist of various pastors who hold credentials with FPCM and/or non-credentialed individuals as the Board sees fit who will serve in the following capacities, namely, a Chief Executive Officer, a Chairman of the Board, one or more Vice Presidents, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The functions of Secretary and Treasurer may be combined until such time the Board deems it necessary to

separate the functions.

The purpose of the Executive Administrative Board shall be:

- To recognize Jesus Christ as the sovereign Head of the church and FPCM
- To emphasize, encourage, and promote the fulfillment of the Great commission: the evangelization of the nations
- To provide means by which the above objective may be accomplished
- To receive, review, and approve all applications from qualified candidates seeking membership in FPCM

Article IV - Disciplinary Procedures

The Executive Administrative Board desires to encourage all members of FPCM to fulfill their ministry. It does not sit in judgment on those who have made or will make mistakes but leave such judgment with God. If, however, a member's endeavors become seriously unethical, unscriptural, or controversial, the organization will counsel them in the Spirit of Christ.

Article V - Exclusion from the Association

Any member refusing to adhere to sound counsel, correction, or discipline will be removed from the membership of FPCM, and his/her ministerial credentials will be revoked if issued by FPCM.

Reasons for expulsion would include:

The rejection of part or whole of the Tenets of Faith held in common by the membership (See Article VI)

- The practice of immorality (1Corinthians 5:9-11)
- Walking in an unruly or disorderly manner (2Thessalonians 3:6-12)
- Causing division (Romans 16:17)
- Insisting on being domineering or quarrelsome (2Timothy 2:24; 1Peter 5:1-3)

Article VI - Tenets of Faith

The Tenets of Faith of FPCM shall be as follows:

The Scriptures - The Bible is the inspired Word of God, the product of holy men of old who spoke and wrote as they were moved by the Holy Spirit. The New Covenant, as recorded in the New Testament, we accept as our infallible guide in matters pertaining to conduct and doctrine (2Timothy 3:16; 1Thessalonians 2:13; 2Peter 1:21).

The Godhead - Our God is one, but manifested in three persons - the Father, the Son, and the Begetter (John 14:28; John 16:28; John 1:14).

God the Father is greater than all; the Sender of the Word (Logos)
And the Begetter (John 14:28; John 16:28; John 1:14)
The Son is the Word flesh-Covered, the One Begotten, and has existed with The Father from the beginning (John 14:28; John 16:28; John 1:14)
The Holy Spirit proceeds forth from both the Father and the Son and is eternal (John 15:26)

Man, His Fall and Redemption - Man is a created being, made in the likeness and image of God, but through Adam's transgression and fall, sin came into the world. "All have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." "As it is written, There is none righteous no, not one." Jesus Christ, the Son of God, was manifested to undo the work of the devil and gave His life and shed His blood to redeem and restore man back to God (Romans 5:14; Romans 3:10; Romans 3:23
1 John 3:8).

Salvation is the gift of God to man, separate from works and the law, and is made operative by grace through faith in Jesus Christ, producing works acceptable to God (Ephesians 2:8).

Eternal Life and the New Birth - Man's first step toward salvation is godly sorrow that worketh Repentance. The New Birth is necessary to all men, and when experience produces eternal life (2 Corinthians 7:10; 1 John 5:12; John 3:3-5).

Water Baptism - Baptism in water by immersion is direct commandment of our Lord and is for believers only. The ordinance is a symbol of the Christian's identification with Christ in His death, burial, and resurrection (Matthew 28:19; Romans 6:4; Colossians 2:12; Acts 2:38)

The following recommendation regarding the water baptismal formula is adopted; to wit: "On the confession of your faith in the Lord Christ, the Son of God, and by His authority, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost. Amen."

The Gift of the Holy Spirit - The Holy Spirit is a gift from God as promised by the Lord Jesus Christ to all believers in this dispensation and is received subsequent to the New Birth (John 14:16-17; Acts 1:8; Acts 2:38-39).

Sanctification - The Bible teaches that without holiness no man can see the Lord. We believe in the Doctrine of Sanctification as a definite, yet progressive work of grace, commencing at the time of regeneration and continuing until the consummation of salvation at Christ's return (Hebrews 12:14; 1Thessalonians

5:23; 2Peter 3:18; 2Corinthians 3:18; Philippians 3:12-14; 1Corinthians 1:30).

Divine Healing - Healing is for the physical ills of the human body and is wrought by the power of God through the prayer of faith, and by the laying on of hands. It is provided for in the atonement of Christ, and is the privilege of every member of the church today (Mark 16:18; James 5:14-15; 1Peter 2:24; Matthew 8:17; Isaiah 53:4-5).

Resurrection of the Just and the Return of Our Lord - The angels said to Jesus' disciples, "this same Jesus shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into Heaven." His coming is imminent. When He comes, "the dead in Christ shall rise first. Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air" (Acts 1:11; 1Thessalonians 4:16-17).

Following the Tribulation, He shall return to earth as King of kings, and Lord of Lords and together with His saints, who shall be kings and priest, he shall reign a thousand years (Revelations 20:6).

Hell and Eternal Retribution - The one who physically dies in his sins without accepting Christ is hopelessly and eternally lost in the Lake of Fire, and therefore, has no further opportunity of hearing the Gospel or repenting. The Lake of Fire is literal. The terms "eternal" and "everlasting," used in describing the duration of the punishment of the damned in the Lake of Fire, carry the same thought and meaning of endless existence as used in denoting the duration of joy and ecstasy of saints in the presence of God (Hebrews 9:27; Revelation 19:20).