

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF BELL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, INC.

ARTICLE ONE

This body shall be known as the Bell Baptist Association, Inc. (hereinafter "Association").

ARTICLE TWO

The corporation is a non-profit corporation.

ARTICLE THREE

The period of its duration is perpetual.

ARTICLE FOUR

The corporation is organized and shall at all times be operated for religious and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The purposes of the corporation are:

A. Assist Churches. A purpose of this Association shall be to assist Bell Baptist Association churches to fulfill the Great Commission within their calling and context of ministry.

B. Coordinate Cooperative Ministries. A purpose of this Association shall be to create and coordinate ministry opportunities requiring the unified, cooperative effort of the Bell Baptist Association churches.

C. Encourage Cooperation. A purpose of this Association shall be to encourage cooperation and a spirit of unity within and among the Bell Baptist Association churches.

ARTICLE FIVE

Upon dissolution, the assets of this corporation shall be applied and distributed in accordance with Article 1396-6.02 of the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act, and the assets will be distributed to another tax-exempt organization qualifying for exemption from taxation pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE SIX

Members shall be all churches that have entered into a cooperative relationship with the Association.

ARTICLE SEVEN

The officers of the Association are: Chairman, Vice Chairman, Clerk, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer. The officers shall also serve as legal signers and officers of the Board of Directors. A minimum of two Officers are required for all legal documents.

ARTICLE EIGHT

The Association shall be managed by the Board of Directors as outlined in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE NINE

These Articles may be amended at the Annual Meeting of the Association or a Special Called Meeting of the Association by a two-thirds (2/3) vote, provided that the amendment has been previously submitted at a BBA Board of Directors meeting and has been submitted to the churches at least fourteen (14) days in advance.

ARTICLE TEN

The Bylaws may be amended at the Annual Meeting of the Association or a Special Called Meeting of the Association by a two-thirds (2/3) vote, provided that the amendment has been previously submitted at a BBA Board of Directors meeting and has been submitted to the churches at least fourteen (14) days in advance.

Clerk or Ministry & Finance Coordinator