

THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA
COMPANIES AND ALLIED MATTERS ACT, 1990 (PART C)
INCORPORATED TRUSTEES.

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE INCORPORATED TRUSTEES
OF
DIVINE CHURCH EVANGELISTIC MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL
(DICEMI), OSOGBO

1. NAME:

The name of the Ministry is THE INCORPORATED TRUSTEES OF
DIVINE CHURCH EVANGELISTIC MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL,
OSOGBO

(Hereinafter referred to as “DICEMI”).

2. OBJECTS

The objects for which DICEMI is formed are:

(i) To propagate the gospel of our lord Jesus Christ as presented in the
Fundamental Beliefs which is attached hereto and forms part of this
constitution.

(ii) To train, license and ordain Ministers for the furtherance of the work
of this Ministry in the Federal Republic of Nigeria and
elsewhere in accordance with such regulations as shall be
set out by the Central Executive Council established
by the Ministry

(iii) To establish, maintain and conduct a suitable organization for the
Management of this Ministry and to supervise the churches
established by the organization.

(iv) To visit, preach to and pray for those who are in need of our prayer
in Prisons, Hospitals, Social Welfare Departments, Remand
Homes, Approved schools and Old Peoples’ Homes in the
Federal Republic of Nigeria and elsewhere.

(v) To own, hula, develop, maintain, operate, lease, sell, exchange,
dispose of, or manage or deal with or in property of every
nature and description, both real and personal and situated in the
Federal Republic of Nigeria or elsewhere to such extent as
may be necessary or convenient in the furtherance of the
purpose and objective of this Ministry.

(vi) To establish and accept churches and religious organizations for the propagation of the gospel in the Federal Republic of Nigeria and to be subject at all times to the supervision of this Ministry.

(vii) To acquire by gifts, donations, devise or bequest real and, or personal property for the use, benefit and furtherance of the purposes and objectives of this Ministry in the Federal Republic of Nigeria and elsewhere with full power to use, sell and dispose the property and convert same into cash securities or other classes of properties for the use and benefit of DICEMI and for the furtherance of the purpose and objectives for which DICEMI is established.

(ix) To qualify to do business pertinent to the objectives of this Ministry in any region, state, division or district in the federal Republic of Nigeria and other countries where DICEMI may be duly established.

(x) To carry out printing and or publication activities including making, acquiring, selling and disposing of printing matters such as books, tracts, magazines, leaflets, musical records and cassettes and literature compatible with the purpose and objective of DICEMI.

(xi) To provide for, create, receive, set-up and use pension and or endowment funds for the furtherance of the objectives and purpose of DICEMI .

(xii) To establish, maintain and operate youth centers, youth camps, schools, colleges, Bible Colleges, rest homes, maternity homes and homes for missionaries of DICEMI as may be deemed necessary by DICEMI.

(xiii) To carry out all or any of the above mentioned objectives as persons, agents, contractors, affiliated or otherwise, either alone or in connection with any firm, association or organization.

(xiv) To carry out any and all such acts for the attainment of any of the objectives herein specified if deemed lawful and consistent with the achievement of the objectives of DICEMI.

(xv) To confer with, and to co-operate with other Christians Churches and organizations or Ministries as the occasion may arise.

(xvi) To be proprietor of all DICEMI Schools, such as Nursery and Primary, Colleges and Theological Schools.

(xvii) To be proprietor of DICEMI Medical Institutions.

(xviii) Nothing in the above- mentioned objectives shall, in any way, limit or restrict the terms of these clauses but the terms herein before specified shall be regarded as indefinite objectives and purposes within the general context of the objectives of DICEMI.

3. MEMBERSHIP

1. Voting membership in DICEMI shall consist of the executive officers and other officers.
2. Ordained and licensed ministers holding current credential cards issued in accordance with the provisions of these Bye Laws.
3. Certified Christian Workers holding current credentials cards issued in accordance with the provisions of these bye Laws.
4. Members in good standing of duly established churches of the organization under the provision of the constitution.

4. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. There shall be for the DICEMI an Executive Committee
2. The Management of the day-to-day affairs of DICEMI shall be vested in the Executive Committee (hereinafter referred to as “the committee”) which shall consist of the following officers:

THE PRESIDENT

The president shall :

- i Preside over the sessions of the convention, the Executive Committee and the Registered Trustees.
- ii Be a member of all boards and committee as maybe appointed
- iii Serve as one of the registered Trustees of the DICEMI
- iv Attend the meeting of any of the other boards and Committee of the DICEMI
- v Have the final say on all administrative and ecclesiastic matters as from the Holy Spirit of God.
- vi Act as the sole Administrator for DICEMI.

5. THE GENERAL SECRETARY

The General Secretary shall :

- i Promote the work of the DICEMI by putting into operation the DICEMI's programmes
- ii Conduct official correspondences and negotiations for the DICEMI.
- iii Collect and preserve all records, correspondence, statistics and other valuable documents of the DICEMI which shall be provided him by the recording secretary.
- iv Keep and finish a register of DICEMI workers according to their qualification and Salaries
- v Notify the churches prior to each annual convention, what each delegate should bring along and their expectations.
- vi Issue circulars with agenda on the institution of the president for the convening of the executive committee meeting.
- vii Co-ordinate the activities of all serving ministers and workers.
- viii Conduct official correspondences for all boards.
- ix Serve as one of the Registered Trustees of the Ministry
- x Perform such other duties as the Ministry may direct
- xi Attend the meeting of any of the other boards and committees of the ministry.

6. THE NATIONAL TREASURER

The national Treasurer shall:

- i Deal with financial accounts of the DICEMI
- ii Receive all contributions issue receipts and deposit funds in the name of the ministry
In banks designated by the Trustee
- iii Show in his cash books detailed statements of the receipts and expenditures under
The aforesaid funds.
- iv Be ready on due notice to give such financial statistics as he shall be called upon
to supply.
- v Submit annually to the convention session, his reports embodying summarized
Statements of all the separate accounts which he keeps. In such statement total
Receipts and disbursements, duly classified under their respective heads shall be shown
counter signed by the auditor.

- vi Sign with the chairman/president all cheques drawn on the banking account which he Operates.
- vii Serve as one of the Registered Trustees of DICEMI.
- viii Perform all such other duties as may be assigned to him.

7. NATIONAL FINANCIAL SECRETARY

The National Financial Secretary shall:

- i Receive and keep proper records of all the tithes from all branch churches, offerings and donations as may arise
- ii Transfer all monies collected to the National Treasurer for onward deposit to the Banks and record.
- iii Record all income and expenditure of the DICEMI

8 RECORDING SECRETARY

The recording secretary shall:

- i Keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the annual convention sessions and Meetings of the central executive council in their respective minute books.
- ii Keep records of all such resolutions of the ministry passed from time to time as are considered to be of regulative importance or intended for incorporation in the constitutions.
- iii Be responsible for the custody of the records and other property of the ministry Entrusted to his care
- iv Perform any other duties as the president/Chairman may direct.

9. AUDITOR

The Auditor shall:

- i Be responsible for the proper auditing of the accounts of the DICEMI and to report thereon annually to the convention in session.
- ii Countersign all summarized statements of the Treasurer and of other officers Concerned appear to him correct.

10. ELECTIONS INTO THE COMMITTEE

- 1. The Executive officers, Assistant officers ordained and licensed ministers holding

Current credential cards shall have full voting power of one vote each, on all matters, concerning the organizations, including amendment of the constitution.

2. Certified Christian workers and members in good standing of duly established churches of this Ministry shall have limited voting power, of one vote each, and shall be entitled to vote on the internal affair of the local church to which they belong, excepting only as hereinafter limited by section of this clause, and they shall not be entitled to vote on Amendment of the Constitution

11. VOTING POWER OF MEMBERS AT CONVENTIONS

The members of this Ministry shall be entitled to vote at annual and special

Conventions shall be as follow:

- i Executive Officers and other Officers
- ii Ordained and Licensed Ministers holding current credential cards issued under the provision of these By - Laws.
- iii. One delegate from each duly established to vote shall constitute a quorum of any annual or special convention.
- v. Persons entitled to vote shall be accredited by the Ministry -

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- vi. All voting shall be by simple show of hands, except elections to offices which shall be by secret ballot. Matters requiring determination by voting including elections during an annual or special conference shall be decided by a simple majority.
- vii. There shall be no voting by proxy.

12. REMOVAL OF OFFICERS

Any member of the executive in DICEMI may after Biblical counseling, forfeit his Membership by dismissal, if in the opinion of the Leader, the Church Council and the

President, such a member of the Executive is found guilty of any of the following:

- i. Willful unchristian or unscriptural conduct.
- ii. Willful failure or refusal to comply with the provision of the Constitution, the Fundamental Belief or these Bye- laws.
- iii. By action of the Leader and or Church Council other forms of discipline may be adopted if in their opinions dismissal is not warranted.

iv. A dismissed officer may apply to the Leader of the local church from where he was dismissed for reinstatement. Such reinstatement will take place only with the written consent of the

President; he could appeal to the Central Executive
where the matter will be finally resolved

Council

13. TRUSTEES

The Trustees of the DICEMI shall be appointed at a General Meeting of the DICEMI at which notice of the intention to appoint Trustees must have been given.

14. Such Trustees (here after referred to as “the Trustees”) shall not be less than five (5) in number and shall be known as **THE INCORPORATED TRUSTEES OF THE DIVINE CHURCH EVANGELISTIC MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL (DICEMI), OSOGBO.**

15. The Trustees may hold office for life but a Trustee shall cease to hold office

if he :

- i. Resigns his office
- ii. Becomes insane
- iii. Is officially declared bankrupt
- iv. Is convicted of a criminal offence involving dishonesty by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- v. Is recommended for removal from office by the majority of the Committee and by a majority of the members present at any General Meeting of DICEMI; OR
- vi. Cease to reside in Nigeria.

16. Upon vacancy occurring in the number of Trustees, a General Meeting shall be held to appoint another eligible member of the DICEMI to fill the vacancy within three (3) months.

17. THE SEAL

1. The Trustees shall have a common seal
2. The Common seal shall be kept in the custody of the General, Secretary who shall produce it when required by the Trustees
3. All documents to be executed by the Trustees shall be signed by at least two of them and sealed with the Common Seal.

18. MEETINGS

The President of the DICEMI shall preside at all annual and special conventions. In the absence of the President and Founder; the wife shall preside for the duration of such absence. But in case of demise of the two founding team, the National Apostolic Council shall appoint acting President to preside at the convention.

19. QUORUM

A simple majority of those registered to vote shall constitute a quorum of any annual or special convention.

20. NOTICE

1. A notice may be given by the DICEMI to any member either personally or by sending it by post to him or to his registered address.

2. Where a Notice is sent by post, service of the Notice shall be deemed to have been effected by properly addressing, preparing and posting a letter containing the Notice and to have been effected at the expiration of five (5) days after the letter containing the same is posted.

21. SOURCE OF FUNDS

DICEMI shall source its funds from

- i. annual dues ;
- ii. special levies.
- iii. voluntary contributions ;
- iv. Donations;
- v. tithes ;
- vi. Thanksgiving service and ;
- vii. Fund raising.

The income and property of DICEMI. When so ever desired shall be applied solely towards the portion of DICEMI as set forth in this Constitution and no portion there

22. APPLICATION OF FUNDS

of shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by law of dividend bonus or otherwise howsoever by way of profit to the members of DICEMI, **PROVIDED THAT** nothing shall prevent the payment , in good faith or reasonably and proper remuneration to any officer, member or servant of DICEMI so that no member of the Committee shall be appointed to any salaried office of DICEMI or any office of DICEMI paid by fees, and that no remuneration or other benefit in money shall be given by DICEMI to any member of the Committee except repayment out of

pocket expenses or reasonable and proper rent for premises demised, or let to the DICEMI **PROVIDED THAT** the provision last aforesaid shall not apply to any payment by any company or organization to a member of DICEMI which such a member shall hold not more than one hundredth part of the capital, and such a member shall not be bound to account for any share of profits he may receive in respect of such a payment.

23. AMMENDENTS

1. Any proposed amendment to this constitution shall be in writing and shall be submitted to the Executive Committee which shall make same available to the members, at least two monthly meetings, before the date fixed for its consideration.

2. Where the proposed amendment shall then be submitted to the Registrar- General, Corporate Affairs Commission, Abuja for his approval

and the amendment shall take effect as from the approval of the Registrar- General is obtained.

24. WINDING-UP

If in the event of a winding -up or dissolution of the DICEMI, there remains after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, the same shall not be paid to, or distributed among the members of DICEMI but shall be given or transferred to some other institution or institutions having objects similar to the objects of the DICEMI and the body or bodies are prohibited from distributing its, or their income and property amongst its, or their members to an extent at least as great as is imposed on the DICEMI under, or by virtue of this provision, such institution, or institutions to be determined by the members of the DICEMI and its effect cannot be given to the aforesaid provision, then to some charitable object.

25. INDEMNITY

Every member of the Committee or Board of Trustees or any person employed as an officer of the DICEMI shall in the execution of his duties be indemnified out of the funds of the DICEMI against any liability incurred by him in defending any proceedings whether civil or criminal in connection with any of the affairs of DICEMI.

OUR FUNDAMENTAL BELIEFS

WE BELIEVE:

1. In the divine inspiration of Holy bible- *I Timo 3:16-17*
2. In the trinity of the Godhead - father, son and holy Ghost - *Matt 28:19*
3. In the total depravity of the human race - *Romans 5:12*
4. In the plan of redemption, through the blood of the Christ -
John 3:16, I Peter 18:19
5. In repentance, justification and new Birth - *Acts 3:19, Exodus 18:21, Luke 19:8-9.*
6. In water Baptism as a testimony to salvation - *Mark 16:16*
7. in restitution - *Luke 19:8-9*
8. in entire sanctification - *Heb. 10:10*
9. in the Baptism of the Holy Spirit - *Ephesians 5:18*
10. In the gifts and fruit of the spirit - *I Cor 12:1 - 11, Gal 5:22*
11. In the Lord's Supper - *I Cor 11:28*
12. In gift, offering and tithes - *2 Cor 9:6-7, Malachi 3:10*
13. in no divorce and re-marriage - *Matt 19:9, Romans 7:2-3*
14. In Divine healing and present day miracles - *James 5:14-16*
15. in civil Government - *Romans 13:1-5*
16. in the resurrection of the saints and the second coming of Christ
- *Rev 20:5, I Tes 4:16-17*
17. In the judgment seat of Christ on earth - *Rev 20:4*
18. In the millennial reign of Christ on earth - *Rev 20:4*
19. In the tribulation - *Matt 24:21-29*
20. In the final judgment - *2 Cor 5:10, Rev 20:11-15*
21. In Eternal Heaven and Eternal Hell and endless punishment of unbelievers
- *Matt 25:31-36, Rev 20:10-15*
22. In the New-Heaven and the New Earth - *Rev 21:13*
23. In the Endless, ages when God the father shall be all in all - *I Cor 15:24-29*
24. In church Government, Loyalty and Obedience to those in authority over
us in the Lord - *I Cor 6:1-4, Heb 13:17*
25. In the free moral will power of man who can apostatize, backslide, and be
lost -
Luke 15:11-24, I Tim 1:19-20, 2 Timo 4:10