

# START OF RETAKE

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## THE CHURCH

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### The General Church

The Church of God is composed of and includes all spiritually regenerate persons, whose names are written in heaven.

### The Churches Severally

The churches severally are to be composed of such regenerate persons as by providential permission, and by the leadings of the Spirit, become associated together for holy fellowship and ministries.

### The Church of the Nazarene

We seek holy Christian fellowship, the conversion of sinners, the entire sanctification of believers and their upbuilding in holiness, together with the preaching of the Gospel to every creature. We also seek the simplicity and Pentecostal power manifest in the Primitive New Testament Church.

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### AGREED STATEMENT OF BELIEF

Recognizing that the right and privilege of persons to church membership rests upon the fact of their being regenerate, we would re-

rent expenses of the Church, and to make an accurate report of every expenditure, and also to present a full financial statement once a year to the congregation.

To license proper persons to preach the Gospel who have been recommended by the pastor, and who have been carefully examined according to the rules governing the licensing of preachers.

To recommend preachers for election to orders, and for recognition of orders. To recommend candidates for appointment as evangelists who have been recommended by the pastor, or by five members of the Church.

To approve Sunday School Superintendents, and to appoint a Sunday School Committee of not more than three persons.

After consultation with the General Superintendent, to call a pastor for the oversight and care of the Church in harmony with our rules and regulations, and no preacher thus called shall be recognized as pastor until approved as such by the General Superintendent.

The Church year shall end with the annual session of the District Assembly.

Wherever the pastoral relations have been duly arranged for the ensuing year between a minister and the Church Board, the Secretary of the Church Board shall certify such fact to the Superintendent of the District on or before the first day of the District Assembly. On the receipt of such notice the Chairman of the District Assembly shall recognize such relation, provided that such minister is or becomes a member of the eligible list of

the District Assembly at that session, as herein set forth.

All other pastoral charges shall be supplied for the ensuing year in the following manner: The Chairman of the District Assembly, with the advice and approval of the District Advisory Board, shall, in consultation with the Church Board, or their representatives, at the session of the District Assembly, arrange for pastors for such charges from the eligible list.

A Church Board calling a minister as a supply during the interval of the sessions of the District Assembly, shall call such minister as a temporary or stated supply only until the session of the succeeding District Assembly.

In case such minister called is not placed upon the eligible list by the District Assembly, he shall not be further called by such Church as supply without the consent of the District Assembly.

To provide for the support and the moving expenses of the pastor thus called. To secure suitable books for the keeping of the records of all official meetings, for Church membership and financial accounts.

The Church Board shall arrange annually for one or more free-will offerings, at an opportune time, whenever practicable, for the support of the General Superintendent, and also to make the same arrangements for the support of the District Superintendent.

All moneys thus received shall be paid through the pastor to the proper persons for whom it is offered, and the same shall be

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