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TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO
Act No. 35 of 1975

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AN ACT for the Incorporation of Bethel Evangelistic Missions, in Trinidad and Tobago, at Moonan's Avenue, Tramline Street, Princes Town.

[Assented to 24th September, 1975]

WHEREAS there has been established in Trinidad and Tobago a religious body known as Bethel Evangelistic Missions: ^{Preamble}

And whereas it is expedient that the said Bethel Evangelistic Missions should be incorporated for the purpose of carrying out its aims and objects and doing other things as hereinafter set forth :

Enactment

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Representatives of Trinidad and Tobago, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as The Bethel Evangelistic Missions (Incorporation) Act, 1975.

Incorporation

2. The Bethel Evangelistic Missions in Trinidad and Tobago (hereinafter referred to as "the Missions") is hereby created a body corporate.

Aims and Objects
of the Missions

3. The aims and objects of the Missions are as follows:—

- (a) to promote the spreading of the Gospel, the advancement of Missionary, Evangelistic and Educational Work;
- (b) to provide a fellowship for all believers of "like precious faith" who subscribe to the Constitution and Articles of Faith of the Missions;
- (c) to accept collections, offerings, donations, bequeaths, and any or all other forms of contributions, and to hold and disburse such funds for the purpose of financing the above-mentioned programme.
- (d) to achieve these goals, as much as God will help us so to do, by travelling all over Trinidad and Tobago, West Indies and in general around the World, teaching, preaching and distributing Bible literature to schools, camps, trade centres and other institutions, and also by gospel crusade meetings, from place to place;
- (e) to establish a printery, if feasible, to publish Bible and Christian literature;
- (f) to establish, if feasible, an international headquarters for the promotion of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in Trinidad and Tobago, West Indies and around the World;

- (g) to open and operate schools, camps, training centres or other institutions in so far as these will help to fulfil the vision of the Organization, and as means permit;
- (h) to purchase radio and television time and broadcast the Gospel in pursuit of the Goals of the Organization;
- (i) to operate and assist other religious bodies likewise engaged, save and except where such association will not be in the best interest of the Organization;
- (j) to minister to the needs of the people especially the spiritual needs of the poor and destitute, regardless of who they are and without distinction, as much as the Organization possibly can;
- (k) to minister to the needs, especially the needs of the young people of Trinidad and Tobago who have been affected by drugs one way or another, as much as the Organization possibly can.

4. The Organization shall have power:—

Powers of
the Missions

- (a) to acquire by purchase, exchange, gift, bequest, devise or otherwise, all messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments of any tenure and also all moneys, securities for money, goods or chattels whatsoever and may hold and enjoy the same;
- (b) to accept surrenders and reconveyances and to enter into contracts;
- (c) to sell, demise, grant, convey, mortgage, reconvey, surrender, exchange or otherwise dispose of all or any property from time to time vested in it; and
- (d) to do all such things as be appropriate to its aims and objects.

5. All documents requiring the seal of the Missions shall be sealed with the common seal of the Missions in the presence of the President of the Missions and its General Secretary for the time being in office who shall sign every such document and such signing shall be

Mode of
execution of
documents

prima facie evidence that the said seal was duly affixed and that the same is the lawful seal of the Missions.

Service of
documents on
the Missions

6. (1) The Missions shall at all times have a fixed address in Trinidad and Tobago for the service of documents on the Missions and that address and any change thereof shall be registered with the Registrar General within twenty-eight days of the date of incorporation or the change of address, as the case may be.

(2) Every document to be served on the Missions may be served by leaving the same at, or by sending the same by registered post to the registered address of the Missions.

(3) Failure to register the address and any change thereof is a summary offence and renders the Missions liable to fine of one hundred and twenty dollars and to a further fine of ten dollars for each day during which the offence continues after conviction therefor.

Rules of
the Missions

7. The Missions may make rules for the proper conduct of its proceedings and discharge of its duties and any such rules may be varied or revoked or added to by the Missions.

Saving of
Crown and
other rights

8. Nothing in this Act shall affect or be deemed to affect the rights of Her Majesty, or any bodies politic or corporate, or of any other persons except such as are mentioned or referred to in this Act and those claiming by, through, from or under them.

Passed in the House of Representatives this 18th day of July, 1975.

J. E. CARTER
Clerk of the House

Passed in the Senate this 2nd day of September, 1975.

R. L. GRIFFITH
Clerk of the Senate