

**Fifth Session Third Parliament Republic of Trinidad  
and Tobago**

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**REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO**

**Act No. 26 of 1991**

[L.S.]

**AN ACT for the incorporation of Global Encounter  
Ministries and for matters incidental thereto**

*[Assented to 27th September, 1991]*

**WHEREAS** there has been established in Trinidad and Preamble  
Tobago a religious body and a community service  
organization known as Global Encounter Ministries:

**And whereas** Global Encounter Ministries was  
incorporated under the Companies Ordinance:

And whereas it is now expedient that Global Encounter Ministries be incorporated by Act of Parliament:

**Enactment** ENACTED by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as follows:—

**Short title** 1. This Act may be cited as Global Encounter Ministries (Incorporation) Act, 1991.

**Incorporation** 2. Global Encounter Ministries (hereinafter called “the Ministry”) is hereby created a body corporate.

**Aims and objects** 3. The aims and objects of the Ministry are—

- (a) to proclaim the Gospel of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ for the salvation of souls, to minister to the spiritual, moral and educational needs of people and to co-operate in the general social service to the community irrespective of race or creed, and further the cause of the Kingdom of God in Trinidad and Tobago;
- (b) to establish and maintain an evangelistic base for missionary work and effort in Trinidad and Tobago;
- (c) to ordain, licence and otherwise qualify ministers to preach the Gospel and provide credentials for the same;
- (d) to operate and assist other religious bodies likewise engaged;
- (e) to provide fellowship for all believers of “like precious faith”, who subscribe to the constitution of the Ministry;
- (f) to work towards rehabilitating troubled youths and adults, with emphasis on drug related and emotional problems;
- (g) to open and operate schools, camps, training centres or other institutions for the upliftment of the Ministry;

(h) to do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects.

4. The Ministry shall have power—

Powers of the Ministry

- (a) to accept collections, offerings, donations, bequests, and any or all other forms of contribution, and to hold and disburse such funds for the purpose of financing the above-mentioned programme;
- (b) to acquire by purchase, transfer, donation, exchange, devise, bequest, grant, conveyance or howsoever otherwise any real or personal property or any estate or interest therein;
- (c) to accept surrenders or re-conveyances and to enter into contracts;
- (d) to sell, exchange, demise, mortgage or otherwise dispose of and deal with all property which may for the time being be vested in or have been acquired by it subject to any restraint, reservation or condition contained in the document under which it shall have acquired titled thereto;
- (e) to borrow or raise money, on the security of property or otherwise.

5. All real or personal property now held by or vested in any person for the use and benefit of the Ministry is hereby transferred to and vested in the Ministry.

Transfer and vesting of property

6. All documents requiring the seal of the Ministry shall be sealed with the common seal of the Ministry in the presence of the Pastor, or the Assistant Pastor and the Secretary for the time being in office or in the event of incapacity, in the presence of some other person or persons authorised for that purpose by the Ministry who both shall sign every such document and such signing shall be *prima facie* evidence that the said seal was duly affixed and that the same is the lawful seal of the Ministry.

Mode of execution of documents

Service of  
documents

7. (1) The Ministry shall at all times have a fixed address in Trinidad and Tobago for the service of documents on it 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 Ministry may be served by leaving the same at, or by sending the same by registered post to the registered address of the Ministry.

(3) Failure to register the address and any change thereof is a summary offence and renders the Ministry liable to a 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.

Power to make  
rules and  
regulations

8. The Ministry may, from time to time, make rules and regulations for the proper conduct of its proceedings and discharge of its duties, powers and functions and any such rules and regulations may be amended from time to time.

Saving of State  
and other rights

9. Nothing in this Act shall affect or be deemed to affect the rights of the State, or of any bodies politic or corporate or of any person, 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 12th day of July, 1991.

R. CUMBERBATCH  
*Acting Clerk of the House*

Passed in the Senate this 30th day of July, 1991.

J. SAMPSON  
*Acting Clerk of the Senate*