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PREAMBLE

Whereas the Chapel of Faith, which essentially draws its membership from the Protestant community in the University of Jos, is an amalgam of Christians from various denominational backgrounds, they are united in Christ who is the Head of the Church. Such unity is enjoined by Scripture in these words: “Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all” (Ephesians 4:3 – 6 NIV).

The inter-denominational nature of the Chapel needs to be maintained at all times. No individual or group of persons shall regard it or handle it as a personal affair or as their denomination of origin. Of necessity, the Chaplaincy must develop a culture of its own which at all times must solidly be founded on the scriptures. It shall be governed by the following constitution thus:

ARTICLE ONE: SUPREMACY

This Constitution is supreme and its provisions shall have binding force on all members of “The Chapel” in – so far as they are in consonance with the scriptures. This is without prejudice to the pre-eminence of the Holy Scriptures as the final guide.

ARTICLE TWO: NAME

The name of the Chaplaincy shall be, “**THE CHAPEL OF FAITH**” hereinafter referred to as “**THE CHAPLE**”.

ARTICLE THREE: DEFINITIONS

- 3.1 **Chaplaincy:** The sum total of the members of the Chapel, and its functional organs made up predominantly of staff and students of the University of Jos and others from outside the community, duly functioning under an agreed constitution. The Chaplaincy is the body recognized by the University Authorities as representing the Protestant community on Campus.
- 3.2 **Elders:** Members of the Chapel Board of Elders duly elected by registered members of the Chapel as spiritual leaders in accordance with the qualifications laid down in Article 6.6.1 of this constitution. They serve as officers of the Chapel and constitute the highest policy making body of the Chapel.
- 3.3 **The Board:** The Chapel Elders.
- 3.4 **Sacraments:** The ordinance of baptism, child dedication, Christian marriages and the Lord’s Supper as instituted by the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 3.5 **Family Meeting:** A forum of all registered members of the Chapel.

ARTICLE FOUR: AIM AND OBJECTIVES OF THE CHAPEL

The aim of the Chapel is to glorify God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. Specifically the objectives of the Chapel are:

- a) To uphold the truth that the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
- b) To proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ in its fullness, including: Salvation, divine healing, deliverance, baptism in the Holy Spirit and exercise of all spiritual gifts, as enshrined in the Holy Scripture;
- c) To instruct believers so that they may grow unto maturity in Christ, live and walk in the Spirit and be witnesses for Christ;
- d) To provide a powerful forum for worship and fellowship;
- e) To administer the sacraments;
- f) To plan, implement and sustain other activities, which are consistent with the teachings of the Holy Scripture.

ARTICLE FIVE: DOCTRINAL BASIS

The Chapel believes in the revelation of the Christian faith as presented in the Holy Scripture and in its basic doctrines summarized as follows:

- 5.1 The distinct personalities of the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit, and yet equal and perfectly united as one in the divine Godhead.
- 5.2 The incarnation, miraculous conception, single life, atoning death, bodily resurrection, ascension to the right hand of the Father, eternal priesthood and the personal return in glory of Jesus Christ.
- 5.3 The divine role of the Holy Spirit in the conversion of sinners; the indwelling, sanctification and the empowering of believers; and divine illumination of the Scriptures.
- 5.4 The universal sinfulness and guilt of man, and that salvation is ONLY by the grace of God through repentance from sin and exercise of faith in Jesus Christ.
- 5.5 The divine inspiration, infallibility, inerrancy and sufficiency of the Bible as the Word of God and its supreme authority in all matters of faith and instruction unto righteousness.
- 5.6 The Church as the universal Body of the Lord Jesus Christ on earth; composed of Jesus Christ as the Head and all born-again believers, who meet to worship and fellowship in local assemblies such as The Chapel; the priesthood of all the members of this body under the High Priesthood of Jesus Christ.

ARTICLE SIX: STRUCTURE

The structure of the Chapel shall consist of the Board of Elders, Chapel Staff, and Activity Units/Committees.

6.1 The Board of Elders

There shall exist in the Chapel a Board of Elders whose composition shall be:

(a) 17 Elders: The incumbent President of the Women Fellowship; and the incumbent President of the Fellowship of Christian Students (FCS) University of Jos, Four (4) members from outside the University Community, two (2) University of Jos student members, nine (9) University of Jos staff members (15 shall be duly elected).

(b) Chaplain and Assistant Chaplain.

The Board shall be the highest administrative and executive organ of the Chapel and shall be accountable to God and the Family Meeting.

6.1.1 Duties of Board of Elders

- a. It shall formulate policies which will lead to the fulfillment of the aim and objectives of the Chapel and ensure that appropriate activities are established and function in a manner that will lead to the attainment of same.
- b. It shall meet on dates and times so stipulated and agreed on in order to pray and discuss all that pertains to the welfare of the Chapel and the protestant community in the University.
- c. It shall be responsible for recruitment and termination, as well as the up-keep, support and welfare of the Chaplain; and of all other staff of the Chapel.
- d. Its members shall lead exemplary lives and assist the Chaplain in the general overseeing of the flock of God (Acts 20:28).
- e. It shall be responsible for the exercise of discipline in the Chapel in accordance with scriptural principles.
- f. It shall ensure that the Chapel congregation in the University of Jos has adequate facilities to carry out all its activities.
- g. It shall be responsible for liaising between the Protestant Community in the University of Jos and the University authorities, as well as with the Body of Christ globally on behalf of the Chapel.
- h. It shall be responsible for the general supervision of the operations and activities of Protestant para-church bodies including campus fellowships duly recognized and registered in the University; yet allowing them a free hand to operate in accordance with their approved constitutions, so long as these do not conflict with the statutory role of the Chapel.
- i. It shall be responsible for the administration of Chapel funds subject to provisions in Article 11 (Finance).

- j. It shall have responsibility of setting up functional units/committees, determine and regulate their functions, and where necessary assign an elder to oversee such a unit or committee.
- k. It shall appoint a member of the Board to represent the Board on the F.C.S. election screening committee.

6.1.2 **Officers**

Officers of the Chapel include:

- a) Chairman
- b) Vice Chairman
- c) General Secretary
- d) Assistant General Secretary
- e) Treasurer
- f) Financial Secretary
- g) Welfare Secretary
- h) And any other.

6.1.3 **Duties of the Elders**

a) **Chairman**

- 1) Chairs all business meetings of the Board.
- 2) Chairs the Family Meetings.
- 3) Oversees the functions of Elders
- 4) Oversees the functions of the Chaplain,
- 5) Assistant Chaplain, Chaplaincy Assistants and other staff.
- 6) Supervises all Chapel accounts,
- 7) A Signatory to all Chapel accounts.
- 8) Chief Accounting officer of the Chapel.
- 9) Any other duties as may be assigned by the Board and/or the Family Meeting.

b. **Vice Chairman**

- 1. Deputizes for Chairman in his absence.
- 2. Performs any other duties as assigned by the Chairman/Elders' Board.

c. **General Secretary**

- 1. Takes minutes in all business meetings.
- 2. Takes charge of all correspondence.
- 3. Welcomes visitors/gives announcements during worship services
- 4. Secretary to the Family Meeting.
- 5. A Signatory to the Chapel account.
- 6. Sends out notices of meetings.
- 7. Any other duties as assigned by the Board/Family Meeting.

d. **Assistant General Secretary**

- 1. Deputizes for the General Secretary
- 2. Keeps the Chapel inventories.
- 3. Any other duties as assigned by the Board.

- e. **Treasurer**
 - 1. Keeps custody of the Chapel monies.
 - 2. Should deposit all the Chapel monies into the Chapel Bank Account(s) within the first working day of their receipt.
 - 3. A Signatory to all the Chapel Accounts.
 - 4. Performs any other duties as assigned by the Board and/or Family Meeting.

- f. **Financial Secretary**
 - 1. Keeps record of monetary transactions of the Chapel.
 - 2. Prepares statement of accounts of the Chapel.
 - 3. Presents as draft annual budget to the Elders Board when required.
 - 4. Presents accounts (i.e Income and Expenditures) of the Church during June Family Meeting and or as may be required by the Board and the Family Meeting.
 - 5. Performs any other duties as assigned by the Board.

- g. **Welfare Secretary**
 - 1. Reports to the Board the welfare needs of the Chapel members.
 - 2. Prepares refreshments at business meetings.
 - 3. Oversees refreshments at special occasions as directed by the Board.
 - 4. Performs any other duties as assigned by the Board and/or the Family Meeting.

- h. **Women Fellowship President**
 - 1. Leads the Women Fellowship.
 - 2. Performs any other duties as assigned by the Board.

- i. **Junior Church Overseer**
 - 1. Oversees programmes/activities in Junior Church.
 - 2. Performs any other duties as assigned by the Board.

- j. **FCS President**
 - 1. Liaises between the Chapel and other student fellowships on Campus.
 - 2. Any other duties as assigned by the Board.

- k. **The Chapel Music Overseer**
 - 1. Oversees the effective running of Chapel Band/Choir.
 - 2. Informs the Board of the musical needs of the Chapel.
 - 3. Any other duties as assigned by the Board.

- l. **Foundation, Follow-up and Counselling Overseer**
 - 1. Oversees evangelistic activities.
 - 2. Oversees counseling/follow-up activities.
 - 3. Oversees discipleship activities of the Chapel
 - 4. Performs any other duties as assigned by the Board.

- m. **Faith Clinic Overseer**
 - 1. Oversees Faith Clinic activities.
 - 2. Performs any other duties as assigned by the Board.

- n. **Drama and Publicity Overseer**
 - 1. Oversees the activities of Dram and Publicity Units.
 - 2. Performs any other duties as assigned by the Board.
- o. **Students' Representatives**
 - 1. Represent the students' body.
 - 2. Performs any other duties as assigned by the Board.

6.1.4 Election Regulations

- 1. A nominated candidate must be willing to sacrifice time and other resources for the good and progress of the Chaplaincy, doing all things purely in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and unto Him only.
- 2. Consent of nominated candidates must be obtained.
- 3. A member may nominate and/or be nominated for more than one position.
- 4. All nominations must be done prayerfully under the leadership of the Holy Spirit and in the fear of God.
- 5. The Chapel of Faith is a full-fledged Church and is being run as such. Those who seek to serve as elders must be prepared to discard outside engagements that may impede their active participation and full involvement in all Chapel activities.
If one has allegiance to other churches, ministries or programmes that may detract from his/her total commitment to Chapel programmes, he/she may not accept nomination to the Chapel leadership position.
- 6. One's motivation for wanting to be an elder must be to serve and not to be served, not to promote self, but to be lose self for the sake of the kingdom (Luke 14:25-27; 22:26-27; Psalm 78:72).
- 7. One's motivation for nominating a candidate must not be based on such considerations as ethnicity, appearance, quota system, sex, federal character, etc. The motivation must be the interest of God (Matthew 16:23).
- 8. Four (4) of the members to be elected must not be members of the University community, to represent the interests of our members who are in that category.
- 9. The three (3) student representatives on the Board: FCS President and two others will be elected/appointed by the FCS at their instance.
- 10. The holder of the post of Chairman must be a member of the University community.
- 11. No person is allowed to campaign for nomination or for election either for him/her or for some one else. If discovered, such persons will be disqualified.

12. The Board of Elders shall formulate election by-laws to regulate election procedures and any other related issues not reflected in this constitution.

6.1.5 **Meetings**

The Board of Elders shall meet at least once a month on a regular basis. Emergency meetings may be called as the need arises. Minutes of all meetings shall be recorded by the Secretary and circulated to members within a fortnight of each meeting. A quorum shall be at least fifty (50%) of membership of the Board.

6.2 **Chapel Staff**

- 6.2.1 Chapel staffs are employees of the Chapel to carry out designated functions in the Chapel as determined by the Board of Elders.

They include:

- a. The Chaplain.
- b. The Assistant Chaplain.
- c. The Chaplaincy Assistants.
- d. Supporting Staff.

6.2.2 **Duties of the Chapel Staff**

a. **The Chaplain**

1. Chief Coordinator of all Chapel activities.
2. Chairs Elder's spiritual meetings; visitations, prayer, etc.
3. Responsible for all worship services.
4. Oversees functions of Chapel staff and Ushers.
5. Shall present a report at Family Meetings.
6. Performs any other duties as assigned by the Board and/or the Family Meeting (e.g. Article 12.2.2).

b. **Assistant Chaplain**

1. Deputizes for the Chaplain.
2. Performs any other duties as assigned by the Board and/or the Family Meeting.

c. **Chaplaincy Assistants**

1. Assist the Chaplain.
2. Oversee visitation team coordinator.
3. Oversee prayer chain coordinator.
4. Perform any other duties as assigned by the Board.

d. **Supporting Staff**

These comprise of the Chapel Administrative Secretary, Secretary, Typists, Messengers, Cooks, Guards, Driver, Gardeners, Curators, Porters, etc. Their duties shall be determined by the Board/Chaplain.

6.3 Activity Units/Committees/Fellowships

These are the functional units in the Chapel that carry out different spiritual and administrative ministrations. What functions they perform and how they perform them would be determined and regulated by the Elders Board of the Chapel.

6.3.1 Functional Units

- a. Adult Sunday School
- b. Bethels Teens' Club
- c. Children Church
- d. Drama Group
- e. Faith Clinic
- f. Foundation, Follow-up and Counseling Unit
- g. Missionary Foundation
- h. Prayer Chain
- i. Prophetic Power Praise
- j. Ushering
- k. Visitation Team

6.3.2 Committees

- a) Academic Counselling Committee
- b) Bible Study Committee
- c) Building Implementation Committee
- d) Church Advisory Committee
- e) Electrical/Instruments Committee
- f) Finance Committee
- g) Marriage Counselling Committee
- h. Missions Committee
- i. Publication Committee
- j. Publicity Committee

6.3.3 Fellowships

- a) Women fellowship
- b) Singles fellowship

All other Activity units/committees/fellowships which shall be set up in future by the Board shall be so recognized as having equal status as those listed in 6.3.1, 6.3.2, 6.3.3.

6.4 Fellowship of Christian Students (FCS) University of Jos.

This is an autonomous but not independent service arm of the Chapel which receives annual grant from the Chapel.

6.5 The Family Meeting

There shall be in the Chapel a forum called the "Family Meeting", which shall be constituted of all registered members of the Chapel. This forum shall meet twice a year – June and December, or as may be adjusted by the Board to deliberate on the overall activities of the Chapel. However,

when the need arises an emergency FAMILY MEETING may be convened. The Family Meeting shall serve as a check on the Board of Elders.

6.6 Qualifications

6.6.1 Elders Board

- a. Only registered members of The Chapel of Faith are eligible to nominate candidates and/or be nominated, to vote and/or be voted for as elders.
 - i) Members eligible to vote shall have been duly registered members of the Chapel for a period not less than 6 calendar months prior to the election.
 - ii) Members eligible to be nominated or voted for as Elders shall have been duly registered members of the Chapel for a period not less than two years prior to the date of the election.
- b. Candidates nominated for the post of Elders must satisfy the following scriptural requirements:
 1. Must be born again and mature in faith, not a recent convert (John 3:3; 1Tim. 3:6).
 2. Must be above reproach, leading a life that cannot be spoken against (1Tim. 3:2; Titus 1:6 – 7).
 3. Must have a good reputation with outsiders, being well spoken of by people outside the church (1 Tim. 3:7).
 4. Must be a husband of one wife or wife of one husband if married (1Tim. 3:2; Titus 1:6).
 5. Must manage own family well and see that children are obedient and respectful – in the case of a married person (1Tim. 3:4; Titus 1:6).
 6. Must be hospitable, i.e. enjoy having guests in the home (1Tim. 3:2; Titus 1:8).
 7. Must not be a violent man or woman, but gentle and peaceful, sober, self-controlled and orderly (1 Tim. 3:2; Titus 1:7).
 8. Must not be a lover of money (1Tim. 3:3; Titus 1:7).
 9. Must be able to exhort others (1Tim. 3:2; Titus 1:9).
 10. Must not be a drunkard (1Tim. 3:3; Titus 1:7).
 11. Must be available, willing to lay his/her time, resources at the feet of the Master (James 6:8; Luke 18:28).
 12. Must have been an active member of the Chapel, having participated meaningfully in the Chapel activities for an appreciable length of time (Acts 1:15 – 22).
 13. The Chairman of the Board of Elders must be married.

6.6.2. The Chaplain

- a. He should have all qualifications as stated in 6.6.1 above.
- b. He should have at least a first degree or its equivalent.
- c. Must be bold and be prepared to preach the word of God without fear or favour, both in spirit and in faith at all times.
- d. He must have a convincing spiritual call and the ability to administer the Holy Spirit baptism, healing and deliverance.

6.6.3 The Assistant Chaplain/Chaplaincy Assistants

Same as in 6.6.2 above, except 6.6.1b, 13.

6.6.4 Functional Units/Supporting Staff

The Elders Board shall determine the qualifications and suitability of Chapel personnel, i.e. leaders of activity units and all supporting staff.

6.7 Tenure of Offices

The leadership in every Unit/Arm of the Chapel will be by election and to last for 1 – 2 years in the first instance and for a maximum of 3 (three) consecutive terms.

6.7.1 The Board of Elders and EXCO of the Women Fellowship

As per the regulations guiding election of elders and EXCO of the Women fellowship, members shall hold office for a period of 2 years and eligible to be elected/re-elected for a maximum of 3 consecutive terms.

6.7.2 Functional Units

The leadership in any functional unit shall be for one year, after which there will be a fresh election.

6.8 Removal of Officers from Office

- a. Any officer adjudged guilty after proper investigation by the Board of Elders of any conduct unbecoming of a Christian, which conduct, is likely to impede the proper performance of his functions, as an Officer of the Chapel shall be reported to the Family Meeting.
- b. Such an Officer shall be given an opportunity to defend himself/herself.
- c. If found guilty of the charges, a vote of not less than two thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of members present and voting at the appropriate Family Meeting shall be required to effect the removal of such officer from office.

Note: Officers referred to in this section are those mentioned in 6.1 (a).

ARTICLE SEVEN: MEMBERSHIP

Any one is welcome to worship and/or participate in the Chapel activities. However, to become a member one must satisfy all the following conditions:

- a. He/she must have made public confession of repentance towards God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord and is baptized. The genuineness of such confession is evidenced in consistent Christian living. This also qualifies one to become a communicant member, able to partake of the Holy Communion.
- b. He/She must subscribe to all the Chapel doctrinal statements as contained in this constitution.
- c. He/She must be duly registered. There shall be a register of members kept in the Vestry or Chaplain's office.

7.1 Responsibilities

Besides personally leading a life that befits one who is a new creation in Christ, a member shall endeavour to maintain the unity of the Body of Christ and promote love and fellowship between members, witness for Christ, and fully support the Chapel's evangelistic programmes.

He shall also support the Lord's work by the regular giving of his offerings, tithes and donations. The member shall regularly attend Sunday worship services, the Lord's Supper, Bible study and prayer meetings as well as other activities of the Chapel, exercising his gifts for the mutual benefit of the body. He should actively participate in voting and be available for service when the need arises.

ARTICLE EIGHT: ACTIVITIES

8.1 Activities

Besides the regular worship, other activities shall be established to build up members unto maturity in Christ. These include: Bible Study, Prayer Meeting, Unit activities, etc. The Elder Board shall determine the pattern and the frequency of these activities and shall also initiate other activities including special programmes, as the need arises.

8.2 Order of Worship Service

- a. There shall be an order of worship at every worship service as the need arises.
- b. Items on the order of worship service(s) shall reflect the doctrinal stand of the Chapel.

8.3 Missions

The Chapel through the Board of Elders or her representative(s) shall initiate ways to be actively involved in mission work within and or outside the country.

9.1 ARTICLE NINE: SACRAMENTS

Baptism

The Chapel shall prepare periods of Biblical instructions for those who have accepted Christ and are ready to be baptized. The period of instruction shall be decided by the Board of Elders. The Board shall decide on how to meet the needs of those who were wrongly baptized before or

after conversion. Candidates who are ready should be baptized by immersion at an appointed date. The Chapel shall not practice infant baptism.

9.2 **Holy Communion**

Only those who have experienced the second birth and are in good standing with the Lord shall be eligible to partake in the Holy Communion service shall be held at least once a month.

9.3 **Christian Marriage**

Christian marriage implies the lifelong union of one man with one woman to the exclusion of all others. Members of the Chapel are therefore expected to marry in the Church.

9.3.1 **Preparation Before Marriage**

The Board of Elders or the Marriage Counselling Committee (MCC) shall spend sometime with the intending couple(s) to ensure their Christian commitment and purity of courtship. They should ensure that:

- None of the intending couple is in any way married or obligated by way of marriage or of intended marriage to any other man or woman living.
- There is no impotence, sexual perversion or bigamy in either of them.
- There is no known deficiency in either party (including fraud, duress, mental deficiency and/or insanity).
- They accept the Christian principle of a life-long indissoluble union of one man, one woman to the exclusion of all others.

The Board of Elders or their representatives shall confirm that the groom to be has fulfilled all his obligations to the parents/guardians of the bride to be.

The Chaplain shall ensure that on three successive Sundays prior to the date set aside for the wedding; a notice of intent to get married is made at the usual place of worship of both parties of the proposed marriage. If no impediment is alleged prior to the date, the solemnization of holy matrimony may proceed.

9.3.2 **Marriage Register**

There shall be kept in the vestry or Chaplain's office register of all marriages solemnized in the Chapel. These shall be in a form to be agreed to by the Board of Elders. Three copies of the marriage certificate shall be signed by the following:

- a) Bride and Groom
- b) Officiating Ministers present
- c) Chief bridesmaid and bestman.
- d) One representative of each family.

Two copies of the certificate shall be given to the couple, one for their keep and the other for the court/marriage registry. The third copy shall be kept in the chaplaincy.

9.4 **Child Dedication (1st Cor. 7:14 or Malachi 2:14)**

The Chapel shall practice Child Dedication and (not infant baptism) in accordance with scriptural practice as exemplified by the dedication of Jesus Christ in the temple.

ARTICLE TEN: FUNERALS

When a member or a Christian in good standing associated with the Chapel dies, a funeral service may be held for him/her in the Chapel/any other place as decided by the deceased's family. The Board of Elders shall determine the involvement of the Chapel financially in the funeral arrangement of such a deceased member.

The order of service at the funeral shall be as approved by the Board, but in the spirit of unity in the body of Christ, other forms may be used when the need arises as may be decided by the Chaplain.

Memorial or anniversary services for those associated with the Chapel may be held when requested for.

ARTICLE ELEVEN: FINANCE

11.1 Finance

- a) The finances of the Chapel shall consist of tithes, offerings, loans, gifts, donations and other sources as may, from time to time be recommended by the Board and approved and ratified by members at the Family Meeting.
- b) The Board shall prepare an annual budget for the Chapel, as well as decide on methods of fund raising and expenditure. The Chapel is authorized to make necessary banking arrangements with a recognized bank to save and withdraw money according to banking regulations. Financial reports of both income and expenditure of the financial year January to December – shall be prepared annually by the Treasurer and Financial Secretary and presented to the Board after which the accounts shall be audited and auditor's report(s) shall be presented to the members of the Chapel at the Family Meeting in June the following year.

11.2 Bank Account

All Chapel monies shall be lodged in the authorized Chapel account(s) by the Treasurer and any other person authorized by the Board on the first working day after receipt.

11.3 Signatories

11.3.1 Chapel Account

The following shall be signatories to all legal financial transactions of the Chapel:

- a. The Chairman, or
- b. The General Secretary, and
- c. The Treasurer.

However, the Chapel may operate some subsidiary accounts for special projects and signatories to such account(s) shall be determined by the Board; Even then, the Treasurer shall be a signatory.

11.4 Auditors

The Board of Elders shall appoint Internal Auditor(s) to:

- a. Audit the Chapel accounts as supplied to him/her by the Treasurer, the Financial Secretary and the bank.

- b. Perform such other relevant duties as may, from time to time, be directed by the Family Meeting.

However, if the need arises external auditor(s) shall be appointed by the Board of Elders to audit the Chapel accounts over a specified period of time.

ARTICLE TWELVE: RELATIONSHIP WITH THE UNIVERSITY

- 12.1 The Chapel of Faith is recognized by the University Authority as the body which represents the Protestant Community on Campus. The Chapel shall therefore continue to be the Protestant voice on campus.

The recognition accorded it is not only in accordance with the constitutional provisions of freedom of worship, but also in recognition of the key role of religious bodies in character building and the promotion of peaceful co-existence amongst people of diverse ethno-social backgrounds. To this end, the Chapel shall be regarded as a service body to the University.

- 12.2 **Chaplaincy Service to the University**

The Chaplain is by his profession a trained Counsellor who will attend to students and staff of the University as the need arises.

ARTICLE THIRTEEN: RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER PROTESTANT GROUPS

By virtue of the provisions of Article 12, The Chapel of Faith shall be responsible for the general supervision of the operations and activities of other Protestant Bodies on Campus; yet allowing them a free hand to operate in accordance with their constitutions. This is only to ensure that nothing is done which will jeopardize the freedom of the Protestant Community or bring dishonor to the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

ARTICLE FOURTEEN: AMENDMENT AND REVISION

None of the aforementioned Articles in this Constitution shall be altered, repealed or amended nor shall any addition be made to them unless such alteration, repeal or addition and amendment has been carried out according to the following provisions:

- a. Any motion to amend, repeal, alter or add to any article or section of this constitution shall only be entertained if in writing and endorsed by all the members of a Functional Unit(s).
- b. Such a motion shall be forwarded through the General Secretary to the Board.
- c. The Board of Elders shall meet with the sponsor(s) of the motion to give them opportunity to discuss the motion.
- d. If the motion is carried, then the proposition shall be made in a formal announcement for three (3) consecutive Sunday worship services before it is discussed at the Family Meeting.
- e. For such an amendment and/or addition to be effected, two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of the votes of members present at the Family Meeting shall be required.

ARTICLE FIFTEEN: DISSOLUTION

In the event of The Chapel being wound up, after the payment of any debts, any assets remaining are to be transferred to any organization having similar charitable objectives.

Such organization(s) are to be determined by registered members of the Chapel at a Family Meeting before the dissolution.

ARTICLE SIXTEEN: DECLARATION

We declare that the God of Heaven is our God, and He will give us good success. Therefore, we, His children, will arise and build. AMEN.