



Wallace First Assembly of God

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A. Location

Wallace is a small town located in Duplin County in southeastern North Carolina. Positioned along Interstate 40, it provides convenient access to Wilmington and Raleigh. The town has a rural, close-knit atmosphere and serves as a hub for surrounding agricultural communities. Wallace is also within driving distance of the North Carolina coast, offering easy access to Topsail Beach, Wrightsville Beach, and Carolina Beach.

B. History

Wallace First Assembly of God was founded in 1962 and has faithfully served the Wallace community for over six decades. The church was originally established on the property of the former First Baptist Church, after First Baptist relocated to a new facility nearby.

The original structure was eventually replaced with a larger sanctuary that seated over 400 people and included multiple classrooms, fellowship hall, and spaces that supported ministry and community outreach, including a food pantry to meet local needs. During this season, the church experienced significant growth, filling the sanctuary and becoming known for strong ministry and community impact.

Throughout its history, the church developed a reputation for powerful drama presentations, earning multiple district-level awards. These productions became an effective outreach tool and left a lasting impression on both the church and the surrounding community.

Like many long-standing churches, First Assembly also experienced challenging seasons, including a period of decline and transition that led to changes within the congregation. During that time, decisions were made regarding the future of the large sanctuary, and it was ultimately torn down. While that season brought difficulty, it also became part of the church's journey of renewal and rebuilding.

Following this transition, the congregation moved into the former fellowship hall, where the church continued to worship, refocus, and strengthen its foundation.

In 1993, New Hope Christian Academy was established as a ministry of the church. Since its founding, NHCA has served the community by providing a Christ-centered education for students from kindergarten through eighth grade. Through this ministry, many children and families have been impacted by the message of Christ, making it one of the church's most significant outreach efforts.

In 2010, a new chapter began with the completion of the current facility. This included a new sanctuary, a half-court gymnasium, a welcoming foyer space, and a large kitchen designed to support meals, fellowship, and church-wide events. The previous sanctuary area was repurposed into a dedicated children's and youth ministry space, allowing for continued investment in the next generation.

Today, Wallace First Assembly of God is known for its strong biblical teaching, warm and welcoming atmosphere, and a genuine sense of community. Visitors frequently describe the church as friendly and inviting. Guest ministers often remark on the powerful spiritual atmosphere, and many first-time attendees have shared that they sense the presence of God from their very first visit to the property.

C. Population & Demographics

Wallace has a population of approximately 3,900 residents with a median age around 40 years. The town includes roughly 1,600 households, with a median household income estimated between \$45,000–\$55,000. Median home values range from approximately \$180,000–\$250,000.

In recent years, Wallace has experienced significant growth and development. New retail spaces are being constructed, including gas stations, chain restaurants, and additional commercial storefronts. There is also a noticeable increase in new housing developments, with multiple neighborhoods currently being built to accommodate population growth and increased demand.

D. Climate

Wallace experiences a humid subtropical climate:

- **Summer:** Hot and humid, with temperatures typically ranging from the upper 80s to mid-90s
- **Fall:** Mild and comfortable, with temperatures ranging from the 60s to low 80s and lower humidity
- **Winter:** Generally mild, with temperatures ranging from the mid-30s to mid-50s. Snowfall is rare, but occasional freezing temperatures and light winter weather can occur.
- **Spring:** Warm and pleasant, with temperatures ranging from the 60s to 80s. Spring brings increased rainfall and blooming vegetation, making it one of the most enjoyable times of the year.

E. Spiritual Culture

The Wallace area has a strong Christian presence, with many residents identifying with Protestant denominations. There are continued opportunities to reach unchurched individuals and younger generations.

F. Attractions & Highlights

- River Landing Golf Community
- Historic Downtown Wallace
- James Sprunt Community College
- Close proximity to Topsail, Wrightsville, and Carolina Beaches
- Home of the NC Strawberry Festival
- Nearby Wilmington, a growing city with shopping, dining, and cultural opportunities

Vision Statement

Our vision is to reach the hurting and lost in Wallace and the surrounding area with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, building a body of believers through personal witness, worship, preaching, teaching, discipleship, and outreach.

Mission Statement

First Assembly of God exists to worship God according to the principles of His word, encouraging fellowship and Godly relationships among the church body, to disciple every believer, and equip each one for evangelism.

Key Ministries

- Compass Kids – Children's Ministry
- One Degree Youth – Student Ministry
- New Hope Christian Academy – Private K–8 School Outreach
- Kingdom Men in Action – Men's Ministry
- M&M's – Women's Ministry
- Seniors Living Stronger – Senior Ministry

Previous Pastors

- Don Harris 1962
- Walter Wheeler
- Rev. Riley
- Julian McMillian 1985-1990
- Larry Murray 1991
- Leo Bracken 1993-2026

Wallace First Assembly of God
Profile Info - G Church Info
2025

T/O ANNUAL INCREASE/ **DECREASE**

2022	2023	2024	2025
2.40%	10%	7.60%	7.80%

CHURCH BUDGET INFO:

ANNUAL INCOME-2025

Tithes-non-designated	153,604	
Missions/outreach	11,658	
Mortgage	22927	
Music dept - fund raiser	6799	
TWC fund raiser	1922	
Parking Lot funds	1545	
H BD Jesus	1337	
Benevolence - designated	1185	
MISC	3453	204,430

MISSIONS GIVING - 2025

Missions	13,901	
VBS	896	
Outreach	3,238	
Benevolent	5,802	23,837

Debt a/o 12/31/25 - HIS Fund

HIS Fund	556,597	
Other-misc	2,493	
		559,090

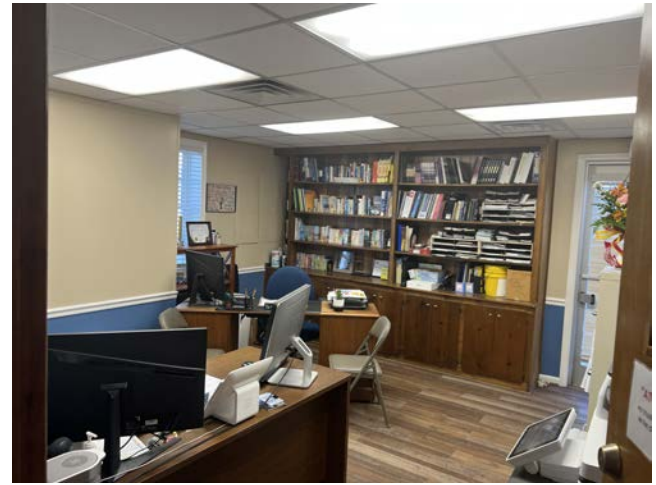
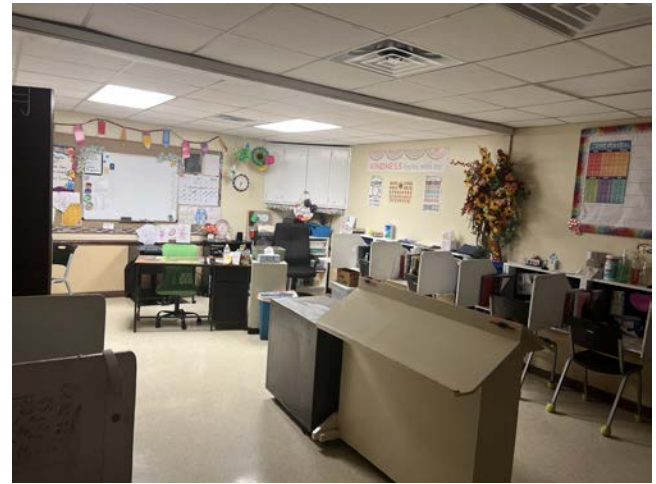
BUDGET FOR 2026

INCOME		
Income - non designated	163,000	
Income-designated	28,400	191,400
EXPENSES		191,580

STATISTICAL AVERAGES:			
Constituents	131		
Sunday Avg 2025	73		
Service Times	10:45 Sunday am	7pm	Wednesday
Total Members	51		
Adherants Race percentages	TOTAL	131	
	AA	21	16%
	Hispanics	7	5.30%
	Other inc white	103	78.60%
Current Sunday Average	70		

District or GC affiliation:	GC
Past Vision/Mission	Attached
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	Local congregaton



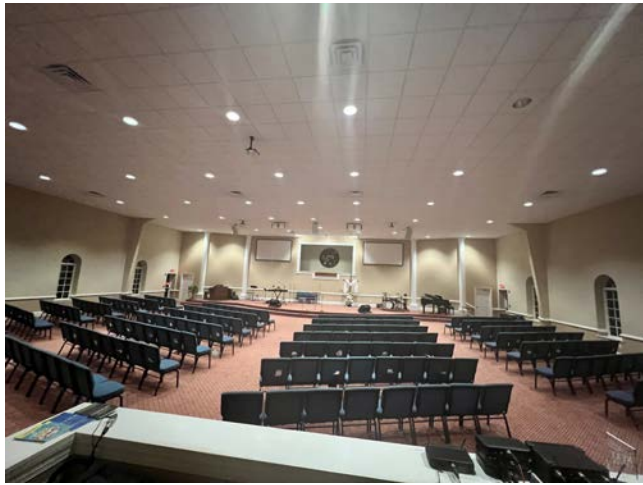














CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS OF FIRST ASSEMBLY

PREAMBLE

For the purpose of establishing and maintaining a place for the worship of almighty God, our heavenly Father; to provide for Christian fellowship for those of like precious faith, where the Holy Ghost may be honored according to our distinctive testimony, to assume our share of responsibility and the privilege of propagating the gospel of Jesus Christ by all available means, both at home and in foreign lands; we, ourselves as a local assembly in fellowship with and a part of the General Council of the Assemblies of God and adopt the following articles of church order and submit ourselves to be governed by them.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE 1. NAME

The name of this assembly shall be First Assembly of God of Wallace.

ARTICLE II. PREROGATIVES

Sec. 1. This assembly shall have the right to govern itself according to the standards of the New Testament Scriptures, "endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace,...Till we all come in unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ." Eph. 4:3, 13.

Sec. 2. In connection therewith, or incidental thereto, it shall have the right to purchase or acquire by gift, bequest or otherwise, either directly or as trustee, and to own, hold in trust, use, sell, convey, mortgage, lease or otherwise dispose of any real estate or chattels as may be necessary for the furtherance of its purposes, all in accordance with its constitution and bylaws or as the same may be hereafter modified or amended.

ARTICLE III. AFFILIATION

While maintaining its inherent rights to conduct its own affairs, this assembly shall voluntarily enter into full co-operative fellowship with assemblies of like precious faith associated in the North Carolina district Council, and General Council of the Assemblies of God, with headquarters at Springfield, Missouri; and shall share in the privilege and assume the responsibilities enjoined by that affiliation.

ARTICLE IV. TENETS OF FAITH

This assembly accepts the Holy Scriptures as the revealed will of God, the all-sufficient rule of faith and practice, and for the purpose of maintaining general unity, adopts the Statement of Fundamental Truths of the General Council of the Assemblies of God, to wit:

1. THE SCRIPTURES INSPIRED

The Scriptures, both the Old and New Testaments, are verbally inspired of God and are the revelation of God to man, the infallible, authoritative rule of faith and conduct.

2. THE ONE TRUE GOD

The one true God has revealed Himself as the eternally self-existent "I AM," the Creator of heaven and earth and the Redeemer of mankind. He has further revealed Himself as embodying the principles of relationship and association as Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

3. THE DEITY OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

The Lord Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of God. The Scriptures declare:

- a) His virgin birth (Matt 1:23; Luke 1:31,35)
- b) His sinless life (Heb 7:26 1 Peter 2:22)
- c) His miracles (Acts 2:22; 10:38)
- d) His substitutionary work on the cross (1 Cor 15:3; 2 Cor 5:21)
- e) His bodily resurrection from the dead (Matt 28:6, Luke 24:39, 1 Cor 15:4)
- f) His exaltation to the right hand of God. (Acts 1:9, 1:11, 2:33; Phil 2:9-11; Heb 1-3)

4. THE FALL OF MAN

Man was created good and upright; for God said, "Let us make man in our own image, after our likeness." However, man by voluntary transgression fell and thereby incurred not only physical death but also spiritual death, which is separation from God. (Genesis 1:26,27; 2:17; 3:6, Romans 5:12-19)

5. THE SALVATION OF MAN

Man's only hope of redemption is through the shed blood of Jesus Christ the Son of God.

a) Conditions to Salvation

Salvation is received through repentance toward God and faith toward the Lord Jesus Christ. By the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, being justified by grace through faith, man becomes an heir of God, according to the hope of eternal life, (Luke 24:47; John 3:3; Rom 10:13-15; Eph 2:8; Titus 2:11, 3:57)

b) The Evidence of Salvation

The inward evidence of salvation is the direct witness of the Spirit. (Romans 8:16).

The outward evidence to all men is a life of righteousness and true holiness. (Eph 4:24; Titus 2: 12)

6. THE ORDINANCES OF THE CHURCH

Baptism in Water

The ordinance of baptism by immersion is commanded by the Scriptures. All who repent and believe on Christ as Saviour and Lord are to be baptized. Thus, they declare to the world that they have died with Christ and that they also have been raised with Him to walk in newness of life, (Matt 28:19; Mark 16:16; Acts 10:47, 48; Rom 6:4)

Holy Communion

The Lord's Supper, consisting of the elements --bread and the fruit of the vine-- is the symbol expressing our sharing the divine nature of our Lord Jesus Christ (2 Peter 1:4), a memorial of his suffering and death (1 Cor 11:26), and a prophecy of His second coming (1 Cor 11:26), and is enjoined on all believers "till He come!"

7. THE BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

All believers are entitled to and should ardently expect and earnestly seek the promise of the Father, the baptism in the Holy Spirit and fire, according to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ. This was the normal experience of all in the early Christian Church. With it comes the enduement of power for life and service, the bestowment of the gifts and their uses in the work of the ministry. (Luke 24:49; Acts 1:4,8; 1 Cor 12:1-31) This experience is distinct from and subsequent to the experience of the new birth. (Acts 8:12-17; 10:44-46; 11:14-16; 15:7-9) With the baptism in the Holy Spirit come such experiences as:

- an overflowing fullness of the Spirit (John 7:37-39; Acts 4:8)
- a deepened reverence for God (Acts 2:43; Heb 12:28)
- an intensified consecration to God and dedication to His work (Acts 2:42)
- and a more active love for Christ, for His Word and for the lost (Mark 16:20)

8. THE INITIAL PHYSICAL EVIDENCE OF THE BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

The baptism of believers in the Holy Spirit is witnessed by the initial physical sign of speaking with other tongues as the Spirit of God gives them utterance. (Acts 2:4)

The speaking in tongues in this instance is the same in essence as the gift of tongues, but it is different in purpose and use. (1 Cor 12:4-10; 1 Cor 12:28)

9. SANCTIFICATION

Sanctification is an act of separation from that which is evil, and of dedication unto God. (Rom 12: 1,2; 1 Thess 5:23; Heb 13:12)

The Scriptures teach a life of "holiness without which no man shall see the Lord." (Heb 12: 14)

By the power of the Holy Spirit, we are able to obey the command: "Be ye holy, for I am holy." (1 Peter 1:15,16)

Sanctification is realized in the believer by recognizing his identification with Christ in His death and resurrection, and by the faith reckoning daily upon the fact of that union, and by offering every faculty continually to the dominion of the Holy Spirit. (Rom 6:1-11,13; 8:1,2,13; Gal 2:20; Phil 2:12, 13; 1 Peter 1:5)

10. THE CHURCH

The Church is the Body of Christ, the habitation of God through the Spirit, with divine appointments for the fulfillment of her great commission. Each believer, born of the Spirit, is an integral part of the General Assembly and Church of the Firstborn, which are written in heaven. (Eph 1:22,23; Eph 2:22; Heb 12:23)

11. THE MINISTRY

A divinely called and scripturally ordained ministry has been provided by our Lord for the threefold purpose of leading the Church in:

Evangelization of the world (Mark 16:15-20)

Worship of God (John 4:23,24)

Building a body of saints being perfected in the image of His Son. (Ephesians 4:11-16)

12. DIVINE HEALING

Divine healing is an integral part of the gospel. Deliverance from sickness is provided for in the atonement and is the privilege of all believers. (Isaiah 53:4,5; Matt 8:16,17; James 5: 14-16)

13. THE BLESSED HOPE

The resurrection of those who have fallen asleep in Christ and their translation together with those who are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord is the imminent and blessed hope of the church. 1 Thess 4:16, 17; Rom 8:23; Tit 2:13; 1 Cor 15:51, 52)

14. THE MILLENNIAL REIGN OF CHRIST

The second coming of Christ includes the rapture of the saints, which is our blessed hope, followed by the visible return of Christ with His saints to reign on earth for one thousand years. (Zech 14:5; Matt 24:27,30; Rev 1:7; 19:11-14;20:1-6)

This millennial reign will bring the salvation of national Israel (Ezekiel 37:21,22; Zeph 3:19, 20; Rom 11:26, 27)

and the establishment of universal peace. (Isaiah 11:6-9; Psalms 72:3-8; Micah 4:3,4)

15. THE FINAL JUDGMENT

There will be a final judgment in which the wicked dead will be raised and judged according to their works. Whosoever is not found written in the Book of Life, together with the devil and his angels, the beast and the false prophet, will be consigned to the everlasting punishment in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone, which is the second death. Matt 25:46; Mark 9:43-48; Revelation 19:20; 20:11-15; 21:8

16. The New Heavens and the New Earth

"We, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness." 2 Peter 3:13; Revelation 21:22)

Article V. Ordinances

Sec. 1 The ordinance of Baptism by immersion in water (Matt 28: 19) shall be administered to all those who have repented of their sins and who have believed on the Lord Jesus Christ to the saving of their souls, and who give clear evidence of their salvation (Rom 6:3-5; Col 2:12)

Sec. 2. The ordinance of the Lord's Supper shall be observed regularly as enjoined in the Scriptures (Luke 22:19, 20; 1 Cor 11:23-26).

Article VI. Membership

Sec. 1. Membership Eligibility. Membership in this assembly shall be open to all those who give evidence of their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Sec. 2. Voting Membership. All those whose names appeared on the original membership roll of the assembly at the time the assembly was first organized, together with those names which shall be added from time to time, shall constitute the legal voting membership of the assembly provided they are 16 years of age or over.

Sec. 3. Junior Membership. There shall be a nonvoting Junior Membership for young people from 12 to 16 years of age who have received the New Birth.

Sec. 4. Inactive Membership. Enrolled members who shall without good cause absent themselves from the services of the assembly for a period of three consecutive months or more, and who cease to contribute of their means to its support, who may be out of harmony with its teachings or its ministries, or who shall be under charges for misconduct, or who may have fallen under condemnation through sinful or worldly practices, shall be considered as inactive members and shall lose their voting privileges until they are restored to the fellowship.

Article VII. Officers

Sec. 1. There shall be a pastor (president), vice-President and secretary of the corporation. These officers shall be known as the Executive officers of the corporation.

Sec. 2. There may be deacons (servants) appointed by the pastor as needed.

Article VIII. Meetings

Sec. 1. Meetings for public worship shall be held on each Lord's Day during the week as may be provided for under the direction of the Pastor.

Sec. 2. Business meetings of the assembly shall be announced by the Pastor. Due notice shall be given on the two Sundays immediately prior to the date of said meeting.

Sec. 3 Special meetings may also be called by petition having been signed by not less than one third of the active membership of the assembly, the petition to be placed in the hands of the pastor and announcement made on two Sundays immediately prior to the date of the meeting.

Sec. 4. Quorum. No record of any business meetings of the assembly shall be made unless one third or more active members shall be present to constitute a quorum.

Article IX Departments and Committees

Sec. 1. Discipleship. There shall be a discipleship ministry created and conducted as a branch of the church activities.

Sec. 2 Youth Ministry. As needed, there shall be a Youth Ministry Department created under the supervision of the pastor, which shall be conducted as a branch of the church activities. Its policies shall be approved by the Pastor.

Sec. 3. Other Departments. As need arises, other departments or committees may be established.

Sec. 4. Relationship. All departments and committees shall be subordinate to the assembly and shall contribute to the harmony and development of the whole. They shall be under the general supervision of the Pastor and the Pastor shall be an ex officio member of all committees or departments.

Article X. Finances

All funds for the maintenance of the assembly shall be provided by the voluntary contributions or the tithes and offerings of the members and friends of the organization. Offerings shall be accepted by the assembly at such times and in such ways as agreed upon by the Pastor and shall be administered by the Treasurer, Secretary, or Staff Member, under his direction. (Mal 3:10; Luke 6:38; I Cor 16:1,2; II Cor 9:6-8)

Article XI. Property

All property of the assembly shall be deeded to the assembly and held in its name. No property of the assembly shall be sold, leased or mortgaged or otherwise disposed of without the same shall have first been recommended by a vote of at least two-thirds of the voting membership who are in attendance at a regular meeting or special meeting of the assembly which has been called for the consideration of the proposal. The Pastor and the Secretary of the assembly shall certify in such conveyance, lease, mortgage that the same has duly authorized and recommended by a vote of the assembly. Such certificate shall be held to be conclusive evidence thereof.

Article XII. Amendments

This Constitution may be amended by two-thirds vote of the membership of the assembly in attendance at any business called for that purpose, provided due notice of such proposed change shall have been made at all the services on at least two consecutive Sundays immediately prior to the time of such a meeting. It shall be understood that this does not apply to the article of Faith, which stands regardless of majority.

BYLAWS

ARTICLE I. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Sec. 1. The Pastor shall be considered as the spiritual overseer of the assembly and shall direct all of its activities. He shall be the president of the corporation and shall act as chairman of all the business meetings of the assembly and of the Executive Officers. He shall be an ex officio member of all committees or departments. He shall provide for all the services of the assembly and shall arrange for all special meetings, conventions, or revival campaigns. No person shall be invited to speak or preach in the assembly without his approval.

Sec. 2. The Executive Officers are chosen to serve the church and therefore shall act in an advisory capacity with the Pastor in matters pertaining to the assembly in its physical life.

A majority present at any meeting of the Executive Officers shall constitute a quorum, provided all the members have been notified to be present, In the event the assembly is temporarily without a pastor, or the pastor is unable to be present, the Executive Officers shall be empowered to transact business for the assembly.

Sec. 3. The Secretary shall keep or be responsible for the minutes of the official meetings of the Executive Committee and of any business meeting of the assembly. He or she shall keep a record of the membership of the assembly and perform any other clerical work necessary to the proper discharge of his or her duties.

Sec. 4. The Treasurer shall be entrusted with all the finances of the assembly which may be committed to him. He or she shall deposit all funds in a responsible bank in the name of the assembly. All checks shall be signed by the Pastor and the Treasurer. The Treasurer shall be elected by the congregation.

Article II. Elections and Vacancies

Sec. 1. The Pastor shall be elected to serve for an indefinite period of time. Election shall be by secret ballot and two-thirds majority vote of all votes cast shall constitute an election.

The Pastor should not presume that indefinite means permanent. It means that the door is open for unlimited ministry under the blessings of God, which can be terminated by the Pastor or the congregation when proven that the Pastor's ministry is no longer effective.

Sec. 2. President. The Pastor shall serve the corporation as president.

Sec. 3. Vacancies. When a vacancy in the pastorate shall occur, a supply shall be arranged for by these Executive Officers until a pastor shall be chosen as prescribed in Section 1.

Article III. Membership

Sec. 1. The Standard of Membership. The standard of membership of this assembly shall be:

- (a) Profession of a genuine experience in regeneration (the new birth). (I John 5:13)
- (b) Willingness to contribute regularly to the support of the assembly according to his or her ability. (John 1:12-13; 13; 3:3-8; 1 Peter 1:18-25)

Sec. 2. Reception of Members

- (a) Persons desiring to become active members of the assembly shall make the fact known to the Pastor, who shall examine the applicant according to the standard for membership.
- (b) All persons who shall have met the membership requirements and have gone through the membership class shall be received into the Assembly publicly at any of the regular Sunday services and their names inscribed on the roster.

Sec. 3. Discipline

- (a) Any member of the assembly who shall willfully absent himself from the regular services for a period of three consecutive months or who shall be under charges shall be temporarily suspended from active voting membership pending investigation and final decision in his case. Those members who shall absent themselves from the regular services of the assembly for six consecutive months shall be removed from membership.
- (b) Unscriptural conduct or doctrinal departure from the tenets of faith held by this assembly shall be considered sufficient grounds upon which any person may be disqualified as a member. (Matt. 18:15-18; Rom. 16:17; 1 Cor 5:11; Gal.1:8-9; Titus 3:1-11)

Sec. 4. Members in good standing, who may wish to sever their relationship with the assembly, or who may desire to be transferred to some other congregation, may apply to the Pastor for a letter. The letter is to be signed by the Pastor.

ARTICLE IV. SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Pastor shall appoint the Discipleship Ministry Leader. He and the Pastor shall appoint all other officers, teachers and other workers of the school and determine all policies and programs of the school.

ARTICLE V. Youth Ministry

Should a Youth Ministry organization be created it shall be under the general supervision of the Pastor. It shall be conducted as a branch of the activities of the assembly.

Article VI. Church Workers and Deacons

Sec. 1. The pastor may appoint members to serve as deacons (servants) to aid and assist the ministry and maintenance of the church as the need arises. As individuals, their service and ministry to the church is amendable (under supervision) to the pastor.

Sec. 2. Should the office of pastor be vacant, the oversight of the church is the responsibility of the Executive officers as stated in Article 1. Sec. 2 and the deacons working together. These will have the prerogative to appoint members to carry out needed areas of ministry in a pastor's absence. Upon election of a new Pastor, the Pastor will then be responsible to appoint church workers and deacons as the need arises.

Article VII. Property Rights

Sec. 1. All property, real or chattel, shall be taken, held, sold, transferred, or conveyed in the corporate name of the assembly.

Sec. 2. No real or chattel property of the assembly shall be sold, leased mortgaged, or otherwise alienated without the same shall have been authorized by at least two-thirds majority vote of the membership.

Sec. 3. The Pastor and the Secretary of the assembly shall certify in such conveyance, lease, or mortgage, that same has been duly authorized by the vote of the membership. Such certificates shall be held to be conclusive evidence thereof.

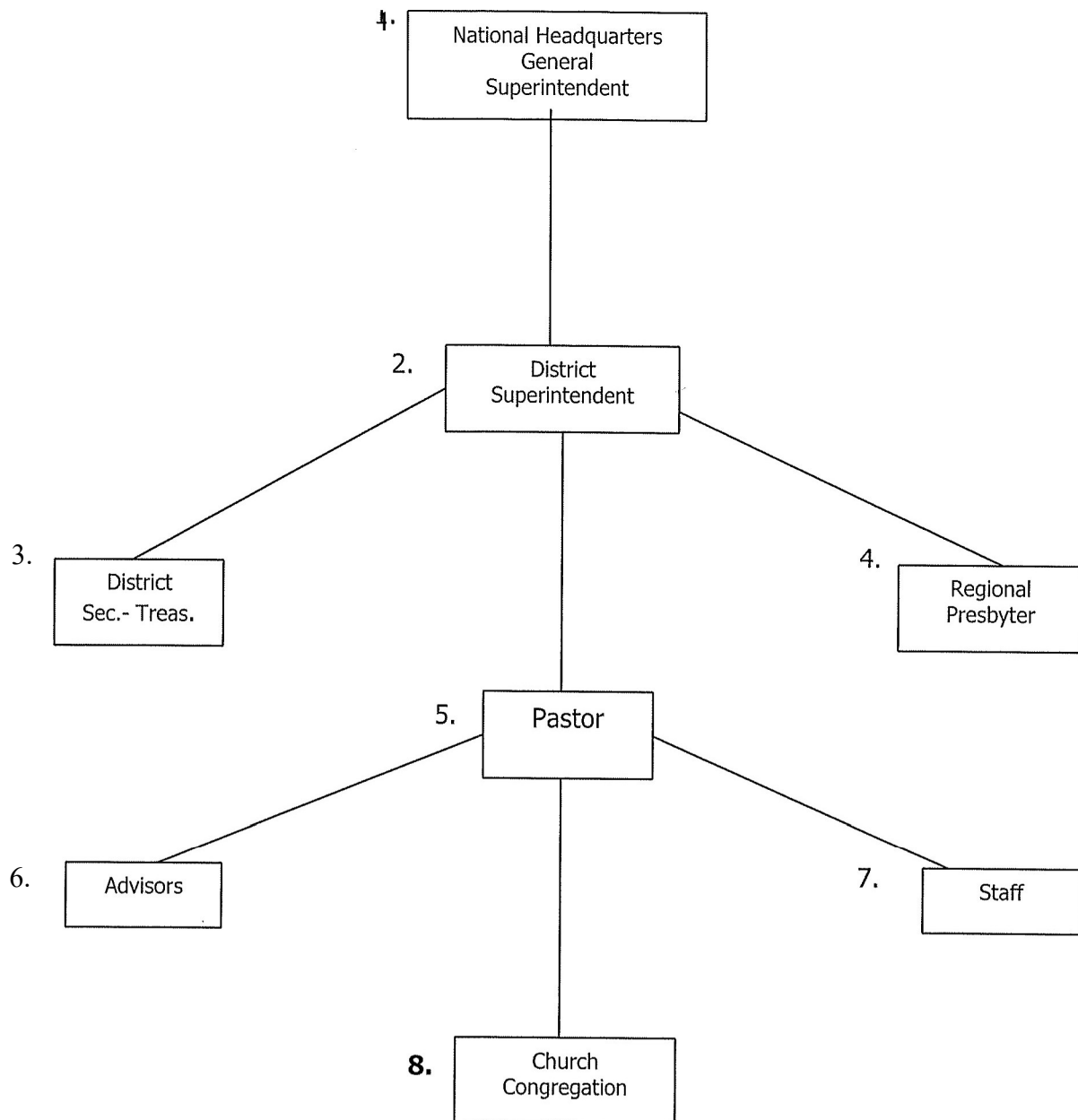
Sec. 4. In the event that this assembly ceases to function as a church body, then the said property, real or chattel, shall revert to the North Carolina District Council of the Assemblies of God, Inc. The District Council of the Assemblies of God shall forthwith have full discretion. In the event of the sale of the property by the District Council of the Assemblies of God, the proceeds derived there from shall be used by the said District Council in the furtherance of the gospel of Christ.

ARTICLE VIII. AMENDMENTS

The bylaws may be amended at any business meeting of the assembly by a majority vote of the membership present. We recognize that the work of the Lord can only be accomplished in a spirit of Love and Peace as set forth in our Constitution. (Article II, Section I)

Therefore, we adopt these articles of the church order as a framework to establish and maintain a New Testament Church.

Administrational Structure Of the Assemblies of God Fellowship



1. United States and worldwide leader of the Assemblies of God Fellowship.
2. North Carolina leader of the Assemblies of God Fellowship.
3. North Carolina Assemblies of God District officer responsible for the minutes of the conference and District Presbyters meeting and the receiving and disbursing of the funds of the fellowship.
4. Area leader of one of the eleven sections, moderating the monthly fellowship meetings. He is one of the district directors.
5. Supervisor and director of the local assembly church fellowship.
6. Those of the local church fellowship who are in attendance at regularly scheduled services.
7. Servants of the local assembly, assigned by the Pastor. The staff may include deacons appointed by the Pastor to oversee certain areas of ministry (service)
8. Voting members and adherents worshipping together and functioning in harmony in the activities of the assembly fellowship, by their support in attendance and giving to the church.

Administrational Structure
(Refer to Chart)

Introduction: Divine Leadership-The church, being God's chosen instruments to reach the world, has not been left without His plan for leadership.

As Moses gave charge to Joshua, as God through Samuel brought forth "Little David" upon Saul's failure, as our Lord to His apostles, so Paul gives the charge to Timothy and Titus. They, together with all the Church, are solemnly charged to keep "the faith which was once delivered unto the saints." Jude 3 "That good thing which was committed unto thee, keep by the Holy Ghost which dwelleth in us. II Tim 1:14.

#1. National Headquarters-Acts 15 (First Council) The question of spiritual nature in the church of Antioch was referred to the spiritual leaders in Jerusalem. The apostles and elders came together (v. 4 & 6) to consider the matter and handed down the decision.

#2, 3, 4. District Officers-These officers function as did the apostles Paul and Peter in matters pertaining to the local assembly. Such matters were the filling of pulpits and the discipline of pastors as well as overseeing other congregational needs in all churches. Refer to Eph. 4:11 (Spirit-endued men for the work of the ministry, often functioning in more than one area) Titus 1:5; Acts 14:23 and I Tim 4:14. (Presbytery refers to a group of representatives chosen and proven spiritual leaders).

#5. Pastor-It is accepted that the word bishop-elder is synonymous with Pastor. He is the overseer of the local assembly. Acts 20:28,

1. I Peter 5:2 "Taking the oversight"

2. 1 Thess 5:12 "Are over you"

3. Heb 13:7,17 "Obey them that have the*rule over you, and submit yourselves:

For they watch over your souls, as they must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you.

4. I Tim 5:17 "Let the elders that rule..."

#6. Advisors-Although an unbiblical term, they are charged and encouraged to counsel with pastor. Pro 1:5; 12:15; 11:14; 15:22; 24:6.

#7. Staff-May include nursery help, bookkeepers, secretaries, janitors, departmental leaders, teachers, ushers, deacons, and others as needs and growth indicate. II Tim 4:11

#8. Church Congregation-"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves..." Heb 10:5. "Ye also, as lively stones Are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices... 1 Peter 2:5, 9. "To the general assembly and church of the firstborn..." Heb 12:23, "In whom all the building fitly framed together growth unto an holy temple in the Lord: in whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit." Eph 2:21-22

* The Greek word for rule is "proistemi," which means "to lead, to stand before, to attend to, indicating care and diligence as a shepherd.