

Trustees

PART I

The Constitution of the Church of God in Christ, Inc. An Amendment to the Charter

ARTICLE III

PART II

SECTION D, paragraphs 8 -12

(Official Manual pages 15, 16)

8. All trustees of local churches shall be members of the Church Of God In Christ. In all cases where the law requires a special mode of election of Church Trustees, that mode must be followed. Trustees of local unincorporated churches and their successors in office shall hold title to all real and personal property, for the use and benefit of the members of the Church Of God In Christ with Section 9 hereinafter. Where, however, the law requires no particular mode of election of trustees, they shall be elected by a majority of the members of the congregation, present and voting, in a regular or special business meeting of the church. All special meetings of the church shall be announced on a Sunday preceding the date of the meeting and shall state the purpose of the call and the time and place of the meeting.
9. Real Estate or other property may be acquired by purchase, gift devise, or otherwise, by local churches. Where real or personal property is acquired by deed, the instrument of conveyance shall contain the following clause, to wit:

"The said property is held in trust for the use and benefit of the members of the Church of God in Christ with National Headquarters in the City of Memphis. Shelby County. Tennessee, and subject to the Charter, Constitution, Laws and Doctrines of said Church, now in full force and effect or as they may be hereafter amended, changed or modified by the General Assembly of said Church"
10. The Officers and Trustees of a local church shall not mortgage Church property in order to pay or meet current expenses of the Church
11. No deed, conveyance or mortgage or real estate of a local church shall be binding on the Church Of God In Christ unless the execution of said instrument has been approved in writing by the Jurisdictional Bishop having jurisdiction over said local church
12. Trustees, Deacons and other officers of a local church shall make an annual report to the congregation thereof

PART III THE CHURCH

A. THE LOCAL CHURCH

10. Trustees, deacons, and other Officers of a local church shall give an annual report to the congregation thereof.

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(Official Manual page 82)

Duties of Local Board of Trustees

(This list of duties is compiled from Article III, Part II, Section B, para 6(3) and Section D, para 8 and 12 of the Official Manual)

- Trustees of local unincorporated churches and their successors in office shall hold title to all real and personal property, for the use and benefit of the members of the Church Of God In Christ. *(Para.12, pg.16)*
- It shall preserve, protect, secure, and maintain all property of the church, not otherwise provided for. *(Para. 3, pg. 13¹)*
- Trustees, Deacons and other officers of a local church shall make an annual report to the congregation thereof. *(Para.12, pg.16 and para 10, pg. 82)*

¹ This parallels the duties of the National Church Board of Trustees