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Attention: Madaline Florida Department of State Division of Corporations Corporate Records P. O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

May 17th,-2002

#### Dear Madaline:

Today I spoke with you on the phone in regard to our annual corporation renewal reference # N21767.

I, Peggy A. Venegas, am the President/Corporate Director on the Board of Emmanuel Church of Christ.

The letter which was sent to me without our certificate renewal stated as follows: "The person that signed the annual report/uniform business report is not listed as a current officer/director of the corporation. The person signing must be listed as a current officer/director on the report or on an attachment."

For 13 years I have mailed the renewal request annually as the President of the corporation. The attached record of our most recent annual business meeting should satisfy the request. I am, and have always been the Chairman of the board and thus state in this letter.

Thank you for updating your computer records. Hopefully I will not have this problem again in the future.

Thank you for your kindness on the telephone today:

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Elder Peggy A. Venegas, President/Pastor/Chairman and Director of the Board. Enclosure/ Most recent record of our annual business meeting. See article # VI Current Officers.

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING FOR FISCAL & CALENDAR YEAR

Emmanuel Church of Christ, Inc. 2818 South Fern Creek Av. Orlando, FL. 32806 407.896.9690 - www.emmanuelchurchofchristorlando.org - eccvepe1@bellsouth.net

DATE:

March 17, 2002 - SUNDAY EVENING

PLACE:

Emmanuel Church of Christ Sanctuary - 2818 So. Ferncreek Av. Orlando, Fl. 32806

TIME:

7:30 PM

PURPOSE: TO TRANSACT SUCH BUSINESS AS SHOULD COME BEFORE THE CORPORATE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THE LOCAL TRUSTEES AND CHURCH CONGREGATION

## MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Elder Peggy A. Venegas. She confirmed that: A QUORUM WAS PRESENT.

Elder Gene Bagby, Corporate Director and Reynaldo Venegas, Corporate Director were both represented by a signed and sealed Proxy.

A scripture was read by Elder Meridith Pope.

Bro. Hugo Venegas led in prayer.

#### **OFFICERS PRESENT**

- 1. Elder Peggy A. Venegas, President, Pastor, Treasurer
- 2. Elder Justo H. Venegas, Vice President Assistant Pastor -
- 3. Janice L. Loper, General Secretary -
- 4. Elder Meridith Pope, Associate Minister 🗸
- 5. Doris (Jeannie) Dominguez, Director-Deaconess /

## MINUTES READ BY SECRETARY

Janice L. Loper read the minutes of the last Annual Business meeting that was held on March 22, 2001, for the fiscal and calendar year of 2000. The floor was opened for any additions or corrections to the minutes. There were no additions or corrections and the minutes were accepted as read. They were then re entered into the Corporate records by the Chairman.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

Each member present was given a copy of the financial report for the year of 2001, which consisted of the offerings to the general fund, church expenses, assets, liabilities, budget, inventory and general bank account. Elder Peggy Venegas, Treasurer, discussed the financial report with the members and then she opened the floor for discussion and/or questions about said report. Sis Doris (Jeannie) Dominguez inquired whether or not it would be a good idea to have a building fund march each week. Sis. Peggy said that no plans were being made to do any additional building and subsequently no motions were made to start a building fund. Sis. Peggy noted that the expenses of the church were slightly less for 2001 and that the free will offerings had slightly increased for the same year, for which she was grateful. She noted that the budget for 2002 had been slightly increased and she encouraged all members to be faithful with their giving so that the Lord would be pleased with their stewardship. She referred to Luke 16: 2 where the Lord ask that an account of stewardship be given unto Him. The fiscal report for 2001 was approved, signed and sealed with the corporate seal and entered into the Corporate records.

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# Page 2 of 3 Annual Business Meeting for fiscal and calendar year of 2001

Sis Peggy discussed with those present the two separate accounts of the church. One account was for Tithe and was placed in an Emmanuel Church of Christ Tithe Account. All general offerings and free will offerings are placed in a General offering account in the name of the Emmanuel Church of Christ. The General offerings are to be used for the operating expenses of the Church. She explained that the Tithe account to help meet the expenses of the Church. She stated that no set salary was ever determined for the Pastor but on occasion some funds were used for some church related expenses for the Pastor were paid from the Tithe Account. She stated that the Pastors' car insurance and various other expenses such as repairs and maintenance of the property, stock for the kitchen and bathrooms and on occasion groceries for the needy and church related visitors were purchased. She stated that since there had been no provision for any retirement for her that the Tithe Account had been earmarked as "deferred income" per the suggestion of her CPA and Attorney. The local Board of Trustees had met and determined that this was the right decision and they voted and ratified these two accounts having been set up for such purposes. She asked if there were any other questions about the financial report.

Sis. Marilyn Murphy asked if the financial report reflected all of the funds which were donated, i.e. Tithe and General Fund. Sis. Peggy emphasized that the financial report reflected only the General Funds i.e. free will offerings and donations to the General Fund and not the Tithe. She expressed her desire to be able to take some salary during the year of 2002 but due to the small size of the congregation, that had not been possible.

Sis. Peggy referred to II Cor. 9:6-7 - "But this I say, He who soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he who soweth bountifully shall also reap bountifully. Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him (her) give, not grudingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver. She requested that if they had received a raise this year to remember God and give Him and his work a raise.

Sis. Peggy informed the Church that she and Bro. Hugo should have been paid 12 payments of \$500.00 each on the Loan that was due them. However they were only able to receive 8 payments of \$500.00 each during the year of 2001. She said that the funds were not available in the General Fund to pay the \$6,000.00 due them for the year of 2001. Therefore, they received only \$4,000.00. She said as of March 17th, 2002, (the date of this meeting), that the Church was able to pay them only one payment of \$500.00, and that payment was recorded as the one due them for the month of October, 2001. She stated that church members were covenant partners with the Lord in every way and that they should be faithful with their Tithe, (10%) and free will offerings so the work of the Lord would not be hindered. Malachi 3: 10 - 11

She asked if there was any more discussion or questions about the finances of the church. She mentioned that this is the time to ask questions or discuss the financial matters relative to the Church. She emphasized that each member who faithfully attends and gives are investors in the work of the Lord and His Kingdom and that the books are open for their viewing. There were no more questions or discussion.

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#### **OLD BUSINESS**

The Chairwoman mentioned that a motion was made and carried by all present last year that an offering should be given once each month on the 2nd Sunday of the month to supplement the maintenance expense of the building and grounds. No funds were offered for such expenses, yet our maintenance costs was up. There was a large plumbing expense due to a lightening strike which burst water pipes and the insurance deductible was too high to take care of the almost \$500.00 plumbing bill. She stated that the Mission Fund had been forgotten by most, and only 2 members faithfully gave to the Mission Fund. It is to be given on the 2nd Sunday of each month. She expressed her appreciation to the 2 who had not forgotten to faithfully give.

She commended the Church for the times that they had come to the rescue of those in need on sudden notice more than once. She emphasized the fact that Emmanuel had always been a giving Church, and she expressed her desire to continue to be that giving Church when those who were legitimately presented their needs to the Church. She stated that the reason that the Church, (a not profit entity is not charged Income Tax on General Funds donated, neither is charged Real Estate Taxes is because the U. S. government permitted the Church to be tax exempt because of their benevolent deeds. The Church relieves the Government of supporting the poor. That's the primary reason we must always remember that the funds that we could be paying in taxes, are given instead to the poor. There was no more old business to be conducted.



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#### **NEW BUSINESS**

The floor was opened for new business. After asking the congregation if they had any new business that should be discussed and there was none by the congregation. She informed those present about the Rummage Sale that brought in almost \$600.00 and that 10% of the proceeds were given to the 911 fund, the Salvation Army, and the Orlando Rescue Mission. She noted that all of these were worthy causes and that all should be gratified by being able to be a part of helping our community and other worthy causes.

She thanked again those who worked so faithfully in the sale which was extended to a third week. Many of our articles were given to those who were in need without charge after the initial sale.

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## **CURRENT OFFICERS - CORPORATE DIRECTORS**

- 1. Elder Peggy A. Venegas, President Pastor Treasurer
- 2. Elder Justo H. Venegas, Vice President Assistant Pastor Assistant Treasurer
- 3. Janice L. Loper, General Secretary
- 4. Doris (Jeannie) Dominguez, Assistant Secretary
- 5. Elder Meridith Pope, Associate Minister
- 6. Elder Gene Bagby, Advisor Pastor, Elkton Ky.
- 7. Reynaldo A. Venegas Administrator

The Pastor gave her thanks to those who had been so faithful to serve in the capacity of Trustee or Director. She also expressed her appreciation to Bro. Hugo for his untiring labor as her Assistant Pastor and for his work to keep the grounds and buildings in good condition. She thanked Elder Meridith Pope for serving in the Ministry and for the faithfulness of the Deaconess, Sis. Loper and Sis. Dominguez. She thanked Sis. Jewel, Sis. Loper and those who helped to clean the Church so faithfully. She reminded all who were present of our goals for the year of 2002.

1. New Members, (souls) 2. Plans for the Easter revival, 3. Feed the hungry and 4. A Christmas Play. She expressed her love to everyone and her joy of having the privilege of the pastorate for 32 years. She expressed her desire to see souls come into the Church and encouraged the congregation not to loose heart because some come in and some go out. She reminded everyone of the great reward which awaits them for their faithfulness

Sis. Peggy read the state Charter to those present and informed them of the non profit laws which govern the Church. Much interest was shown. Sis. Meridith stated her desire to see more in attendance and encouraged all to pray more about the attendance. Sis. Marilyn Murphy expressed her wish that the Tithe become the income of Sis. Peggy and Bro. Hugo. A healthy discussion of everyone's desires for the church ensued. The spirit of the meeting was total cooperation and very encouraging.

All necessary business being conducted a motion was made by Elder Meridith Pope that that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Sis Doris Dominguez. All were in agreement and the meeting was closed with prayer.

Signed Vanice L. Loper - Secretary

Elder Peggy A Venegas - Treasurer

Dated: March 17th 20th

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