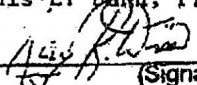


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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the incorporator(s) has (have) signed these Articles of Incorporation this 5th day
of November, 19 99.



(Signature)
Dennis E. Damm, President



(Signature)
Ray R. Wise, Vice President



(Signature)
Betty J. Scott, Secretary/Treasurer

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
CORPORATION BUREAU

Articles of Amendment-Domestic Corporation

(15 Pa.C.S.)

☐ Business Corporation (§ 1915)
☒ Nonprofit Corporation (§ 5915)

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
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Name			
South Central Baptist Association			
Address			
751 East High Street			
City	State	Zip Code	
Elizabethtown	PA	17022-1714	



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In compliance with the requirements of the applicable provisions (relating to articles of amendment), the undersigned, desiring to amend its articles, hereby states that:

1. The name of the corporation is: South Central Baptist Association

2. The (a) address of this corporation's current registered office in this Commonwealth or (b) name of its commercial registered office provider and the county of venue is (the Department is hereby authorized to correct the following information to conform to the records of the Department):

(a) Number and Street City State Zip County
751 East High St Elizabethtown PA 17022-1714 Lanc

(b) Name of Commercial Registered Office Provider County
c/o

3. The statute by or under which it was incorporated: Religious / NPL OF 1988

4. The date of its incorporation: 11-16-1999

5. Check, and if appropriate complete, one of the following:

☒ The amendment shall be effective upon filing these Articles of Amendment in the Department of State.

☐ The amendment shall be effective on: _____ at _____
Date Hour

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6. Check one of the following:

☐ The amendment was adopted by the shareholders or members pursuant to 15 Pa.C.S. § 1914(a) and (b) or § 5914(a).

☒ The amendment was adopted by the board of directors pursuant to 15 Pa. C.S. § 1914(c) or § 5914(b).

7. Check, and if appropriate, complete one of the following:

☐ The amendment adopted by the corporation, set forth in full, is as follows

☒ The amendment adopted by the corporation is set forth in full in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof.

8. Check if the amendment restates the Articles:

☒ The restated Articles of Incorporation supersede the original articles and all amendments thereto.

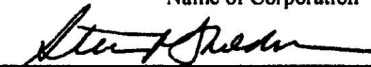
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the undersigned corporation has caused these Articles of Amendment to be signed by a duly authorized officer thereof this

18 day of April

2011

South Central Baptist Association

Name of Corporation



Signature

Director of Missions

Title

CONSTITUTION

Article I - NAME

South Central Baptist Association

Article II - PURPOSE

Section 1

The purpose of the South Central Baptist Association is to help strengthen churches, assist in starting new churches, promote missions support and endeavors and cooperate with the Baptist Convention of Pennsylvania/South Jersey and the Southern Baptist Convention.

Article III - STATEMENT OF FAITH

The current "The Baptist Faith and Message" as adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention, shall be the articles of this body. The South Central Baptist Association shall encourage all member churches and call upon Associational Employees to wholeheartedly support the Baptist Faith and Message.

Article IV - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1

This body shall be composed of messengers elected by the churches and endorsed church plants cooperating with the Association. Cooperation is defined as attending Association events and giving regularly to the Association, Cooperative Program and other mission giving endeavors. After such messengers have been approved by the Association they shall be seated and entitled to participate in the affairs of the body.

Section 2

Churches and their endorsed church plants shall each be entitled to three (3) messengers for the first fifty (50) members, and one (1) additional messenger for each fifty (50) members or major fraction thereof, above the first fifty; provided that no church or endorsed church plant shall be entitled to more than ten (10) messengers.

Section 3

Endorsed church plants shall have the same recognition as constituted churches.

Section 4

Churches desiring initial recognition and seating of messengers shall petition the Credentials Committee. On recommendation of the Credentials Committee and vote of the Association, such messengers shall be seated.

Section 5

A Church not developed through the mission program of the churches of the Association must participate one (1) year in the Watchcare program of the Association. The Watchcare program begins after a church or church plant completes an application with the Credentials Committee and is voted into Watchcare at the Annual or Mid-year meeting. Under Watchcare the church or church plant is expected to attend the meetings of the Association and give to both the Association and the Cooperative Program.]

Then on recommendation of the Credentials Committee, and vote of the Association, messengers from such church shall be recognized and seated as full members of the Association. Such church may vote at the Annual or Mid-year meetings when recognized by the Association.

Section 6

The Association reserves the right to reject messengers from any church, which willfully and persistently creates discord by refusing to comply to the spirit of this Constitution.

Article V - AUTHORITY

Section 1

The Association is an autonomous body and, therefore, reserves the right to determine its own policies and direct its own business.

Section 2

This body is and shall always remain only and solely a medium through which Baptist churches may work harmoniously in cooperation with each other, promoting work and objects set forth in this constitution. It has not to any degree, and shall never attempt to exercise a single attribute of power or authority over any church or over the messengers of the churches in such ways as to limit the sovereignty of the churches under the one Sovereign, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Article VI - OFFICERS

Section 1

The Officers of the Association shall be Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Director of Missions. The Director of Missions is the chief administrative officer of the Association.

Section 2

The election of officers, with the exception of the Director of Missions, shall be annually. Those elected by the Association at the annual meeting will serve until the close of the next annual meeting or until their successor shall be elected.

Section 3

The Nominating Committee shall submit the names of qualified persons to the body for the offices of Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer of the Association. These names, with any nominations from the floor, shall be submitted to the body, and election shall be by secret ballot unless another plan is adopted by consent.

Section 4

Persons receiving the majority votes shall be declared elected and by virtue of the office shall be members of the Leadership Team

Section 5

The Moderator and Vice Moderator shall be limited to two (2) successive years of service.

Section 6

The Moderator and Director of Missions shall be ex-officio members of all committees/teams.

Article VII - ORGANIZATIONS

This body shall establish and maintain such organizations as it deems necessary for the purpose of encouraging and promoting the work of Christ throughout the Association. Leaders of the Committee/Teams shall be elected annually and shall report to the Annual Meeting, the Mid-year Meeting and the Leadership Team. The teams elected annually shall be: Training Disciples, Evangelism, Administration, Missions and Starting Churches. Other committee/teams may be established to assist the teams.

Article VIII – COMMITTEES/TEAMS

Section 1

The association shall have five teams. Each of the five teams: Training Disciples, Evangelism, Administration, Missions and Starting Churches, shall organize to best carry out the purpose and objectives of the association. Areas of responsibility for the five teams are as follows:

Training Disciples – Sunday School, Discipleship, Small Groups, Youth

Evangelism – Outreach, events, training, GPS

Administration – Office, Credentials, Association Officers, Annual and Mid-year meetings,
Budget and Finance, Nominating, Personnel

Missions – Mission Organizations, Special Emphasis, Partnerships, Opportunities

Starting Churches – Church Plants, Church Planters

The teams shall function according to the guidelines found in the Assoc. Handbook.

Standing Committee/Teams: A chairman/leader of a standing committee/team shall serve no more than three consecutive (3) years. This person shall be eligible for re-election to this committee only after the lapse of at least one (1) year. Each standing committee/team shall consist of three (3) members (not including Chairman), who shall serve only three (3) years, with one-third rotating off annually. Anyone who has served on a standing committee/team must wait at least one (1) year before being re-elected to such committee.

Section 2

The Association shall have the authority to elect committees/teams as needed. These committees/teams shall make reports to the Association of all assignments committed to them. The Association shall retain the authority to approve, alter, or reject any recommendations made by these committees/teams.

Section 3

The Leadership Team: The Leadership Team shall consist of the Officers of the Association and the Team Leaders of the five Teams.

The Leadership Team will attend to all matters of the Association between Annual and Mid-year meetings of the Association; promote all programs authorized by the Association; carry out all directives given by the Association; and make an annual report to the Association of all work carried on and all finances handled. The Leadership Team shall not have the power to create or initiate any new work or project not contained in the reports and recommendations of the prior Annual or Mid-year meeting of the Association.

The Leadership Team shall meet at least quarterly. The meetings may take the form agreed upon by the Team (i.e. email; telephone/video conferencing; other electronic/computer media; physical meeting). A majority of The Officers of the Association shall have the authority to call a special meeting of the Leadership Team when necessary, providing at least one week's notification has been sent to the entire team using the most appropriate/fastest format.

Article IX - MEETINGS

The Association shall hold Annual and Mid-year meeting of the body at such times and places as it may determine. The Leadership Team may have the power to change the stated time and/or place of the Annual or Mid-year meeting, in case of emergency or necessity. The Association shall promote such regular meetings of its organizations, committees and teams as shall prove most effective for carrying out the total purpose of the Association. The Leadership Team may call special meetings of the Association when deemed necessary.

Article X - AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended at any regular Annual or Mid-year meeting of the Association by two-thirds majority of the messengers present. Notice of such change shall be given in writing at an annual or mid-year meeting. The amendment(s) will be voted on at two consecutive meetings (annual and/or mid-year) to become valid.

Article XI - CORPORATION DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the Association shall after payment of all liabilities, dispose of all assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes and in such manner -or to such an organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify for exemption under Section 501 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

BY-LAWS OF THE ASSOCIATION

1. In parliamentary procedure this body shall be governed by the most recent edition of Roberts Rules of Order.
2. The fiscal year of the Association shall be from January 1 through December 31.
3. All meetings of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
4. All Officers of the Association must be members of Churches within the Association in good standing and recognized for their knowledge of, and loyalty to Southern Baptist Doctrines and programs.
5. All Associational committees/teams shall make reports to the Annual and Mid-year meetings of the Association.
6. It shall be the duty of all messengers to vote on all questions, and a majority vote shall be considered final, except as otherwise provided by Roberts Rules of Order.
7. The By-Laws may be amended at any Annual or Mid-year meeting of the Association by a two-thirds majority of the messengers present, and voting, before the close of the meeting.

(Constitution and By-laws amended April 16, 2011)