# THE MINUTES OF THE AGM OF THE NAIROBI CHRISTINAN CHURCH HELD AT UMOJA SANCTUARY AND VIRTUALLY ON 27<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER,2020

### IN ATTENDANCE

- 1. Boniface Masila
- 2. Charles Kiarie
- 3. William Siwa
- 4. Joyce Maganga
- 5. Michael Odwallo
- 6. Rose Kisini
- 7. Cecelia Muriuki
- 8. Joseph Oduor
- 9. Members present both physically and virtually 663.
- 10. Auditor Representative Partner

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Adoption of the 2020 Agenda
- 2. Reading and Confirmation of the previous minutes
- 3. Matters Arising
- 4. Chairman's Report
- 5. Treasurer's Report
- 6. Auditor's Report
- 7. Questions and Answers
- 8. Adoption of Reports
- 9. Budget Proposal and Adoption
- 10. Appointment of Auditors for the year 2021
- 11. A.O.B

## **PRELIMINARIES**

The meeting was called to order at 10.50 a.m. with a word of prayer from the Board Chairman – Boniface Masila. Since the AGM was going to be conducted both physically and virtually, the Chairman gave instructions on how members attending virtually were going to register their participation via Whatsapp/SMS platforms.

## MINUTE 01/09/2020 ADOPTION OF THE 2020 AGENDA

The agenda of 2020 which had earlier been circulated was adopted. Julius Nguku proposed and -----seconded

## MINUTE 02/09/2020 READING AND CONFRIMATION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes of previous meeting were read by Joyce Maganga and approved as a true and fair record of the proceedings held on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at the Umoja Church Sanctuary being proposed by John Matete and seconded by Eric Kunyu

## MINUTE 03/09/2020 MATTERS ARISING

- **3.1 Funeral Scheme:** The members were informed that the Committee working on the scheme are meeting and working on the same
- **3.2 Duration of AGM:** Previously members were concerned that our AGM take long. The Chairman answer was, we consider adopting a delegate system and this need to be agreeable by the members
- 3.3 School Audit: It was reported that the School audit had been done separately, this was initial concern considering that the School was growing and their accounts needed to be done separately
- **3.4 Youth Ministry:** It is ongoing, they are helping with online activities, media and Start of Art Camera had been acquired by the church to help them run this activities
- **3.5 Church Leadership:** Members were concerned about the appointment of Lead Evangelist and Woman Ministry Leader. The Chairman clarified that it was the prerogative of the Elders according to the Church Constitution but by the end of the year it will be known who will take the position
- **3.6 Hiring of the Hall:** It had been suggested that we can be getting some income through hiring of our church facility. This has been slowed down due to the pandemic
- 3.7 Registration of ICOC Welfare: Members were informed that the welfare has been registered
- **3.8 Demons & Spirits:** This matter was discussed and Evangelist Mike informed members that Teachers had started going round in blocs teaching the congregation. The Chairman reiterated the Holy Spirit that we have is more powerful than any other thing.
- **3.9 Discipling:** It was noted that discipling is non-existent in Eastern Bloc. Members were notified that measures are being put in place to ensure that this takes place

## MINUTE 04/09/2020 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- **4.1 The Status of the Church.** The Chairman was grateful to God for the far we have come and the support we have received from the congregation as we serve as administrative arm of the church.
- **4.2 Membership.** We closed the year 2019 with a membership of 1,401 disciples, this was a slight decrease compared to the membership of 1,411 as at the end of 2018. All consolidated together, East Africa has a membership of 2,031 members. Keeping with

our mission to love God and spread His love, the Chairman prayed that God bless our effort as we heed to the call Gal.6:9

#### Good news

- Teens Ministry. In 2019 the Teens ministry organized two major events i.e Kablaam and the Annual Swamp Camp. 156 teens registered for the swamp camp. Over the years this camps have had impact on our children and has seen many coming to conviction of studying the Bible and making Jesus the Lord of their lives. The 2019 camp ended on a high noted leaving the teens desiring more.
- Leadership. In July 1019, Richard and Florence Ahenda moved back to Nairobi form Kampala church where they had served since 2004. They are currently overseeing the Western Bloc of our church. The Chairman welcomed them back. Edwin and Evelyn Mahiga moved to Eldoret in February where they are currently serving. In July 2019 we saw the appointment of Elders and Teachers. Anthony Mwanza and Jeremiah Oginga were appointed as Elders while, Jarrett Odwallo, Richard Ahenda, William Auki and Julius Nguku were appointed as Teachers in God's Kingdom. We are grateful to God for the changes and appointments, we praying that God to continue using these servants in advancing His Kingdom in a powerful way.
- **Weddings:** It was reported that 12 weddings took place in the year 2019 he prayed that God continue blessing this unions.

## **Promotion to Glory**

A minute of silence was observed in honor of Goodluck Lekole who went to be with the Lord in the year 2019

- **4.5 North Bloc Land Case:** It was reported that the North Land Case was still under court process. The last case was mentioned on the 19<sup>th</sup> August, 2020 where it was listed for hearing. It however did not proceed because the 4<sup>th</sup> defendant in the matter passed on and the counsel requested for more time to enable them replace the defendant. The matter was rescheduled for mention again on 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2020. Members were requested to continue committing this matter before God Almighty in prayer.
- **4.6 Covid 19 Pandemic:** since the onset of the Covid 19, it has affected in the way we have been operating as a congregation. In the past six months we had not met as usual however, despite these, the Board was grateful to God for His protection and provision during the difficulty times, without forgetting the leadership of the church for the great measures they had put in place to ensure that members continued to receive the much needed spiritual nourishment. The Media team was also appreciated for the sacrifice they made to ensure that services ran smoothly despite the challenges posed having them virtually. Disciples were also applauded for their support through giving (financially), time, and energy and in many other ways that they had sacrificed themselves to ensure the Kingdom of God continued to advance to His glory, without

such support of each of them, the Church wouldn't have been where it was. The impact of the pandemic had affected many disciples through loss of jobs, salary reductions, unpaid leaves, reduced business operations and even others close down their business completely but the promise of God, He will never leave or forsake us keeps hope alive.

God had continued to use our brothers and sisters both locally and internationally to come aid of those who were adversely affected by the pandemic. Many thanks to Hope Worldwide for food support that enabled many disciples affected to put food on their table. Our sister churches had also consistently and generously contributed to support East Africa, especial North Carolina indeed we were grateful.

The Chairman ended his report by being appreciative to all stakeholders for the continued support towards the work of the Lord in our family of Churches.

#### MINUTE 05/09/2020 THE TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Treasurer begun his report by being grateful to members for financial support the church had received from them which had enabled the church to grow and meet its financial obligations i,e paying bills, salaried, commitments and supporting mission work both in Nairobi and our sister churches in Kenya. He paid attribute to the church administration office, Bloc finance committees and the leadership which kept the Board well supplied with the required information and God for bring has this far.

- **5.1 Income.** During the financial year 2019, the total income was **KShs. 38,339,906** down from the previous year income of **Kshs.41, 303,379** which represents about **10%** decrease in the giving. This was largely attributed to drop in the collections for the annual special giving and activities such as Singles and Married retreats.
- In the year 2019, the weekly contribution was **KShs. 24,113,379** compared to **24,562,748** in the year 2018. The special contribution in the year 2019 was **KShs. 2,957,304** compared to **2,554,771** in 2018 this was an increase of about **15.76%**. **KShs. 1,208,840** was collected for special events in the year 2019 compared to **KShs. 4,038,421**, which was collected in the year 2018.
- **5.2 Mission Contribution.** The East Africa Churches received in the year 2019 totaling to **USD245**, **350** which was an increase of **9%** from year 2018 where we received **USD224**, **279.80** out of this amount, Kenya Churches received a total of **KShs. 8524,927** compared to **KShs. 9,507,972** in 2018.
- **5.3 Rental Income.** Income from the church facilities went up almost three times from **KShs. 239,000** in the year 2018 up to **KShs. 715,474**, the increase is attributed to the use of church facility in Umoja and the Gacharage property which is currently by used Hope Worldwide Kenya.

- **5.3 Expenditure.** In the year 2019, the staff costs increased to **KShs. 22,887,412** from **KShs. 17947, 515**in the year 2018. This is a reflection of 27.5% increase being a net effect of the movement of the staff to Nairobi from Uganda, Tanzania and Mombasa
- **5.4 Administrative Costs.** These costs increased marginally to **KShs. 6,699,236** up from **KShs. 6,193,747** translating to **8%** increase. This change was attributed to increase in travel activities both internally and externally and the rise in energy costs especially electricity as well as bank charges brought in by the running of the Bloc Accounts.
- **5.6 Operating Expenses.** The expenses increased to **KShs. 5, 535,344** in the year 2019 up from **KShs. 5,180,665** in 2018 which represents an increase of about **6.8%**. The increase being attributed to relocation costs of the staff to Nairobi and training of staff members in Theological Institutions.
- **5.7 Special Activities.** The expenses decreased to **KShs 3,635,405** in 2019 from **KShs. 6,067,938** in 2018. This was due to reduced activities amongst the married and singles ministries.
- **5.8 Land Contributions.** The land development contributions and expenses decrease during the year. However, there were not many significant improvement in the building used by the school during the year 2019 compared to the year 2018.
- **5.9 Net Current Position**. The Church net current position stands at **KShs. 10,745,455** compared to **KShs. 10,479,902** in the year 2018. This shows that the church is able to finance its day to day financial operations. The total net of the assets position of the church was at **KShs. 76,488,926** as at December 2019 compared to **KShs. 59,429,652** in December 2018. This was majorly attributed to the recognition of the property in Gacharage which is now recognized in the church accounting books.

In conclusion, the Treasurer was grateful for the continued support and commitment from the members their contribution was much appreciated and asked members to continue praying for us and with us for wisdom which God so generously gives as we strive to serve the church.

## MINUTE 06/09/2020 AUDITORS REPORT

Francis Ugango was the representative from the Audit firm Crow and Erastus standing in for Erastus Omollo. According the Auditor, the Audited financial report from the church was a true assessment of the state of the affairs of the church.

## MINUTE 07/09/2020 QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION

The Vice Chairman Charles Kiarie who took us through the session, confirmed that several questions had been received but due to time limitation we were was going to deal with only three questions.

**Question 1.** A member asked the progress about the funeral welfare that has taken long

**Answer:** The issue was being handled by the Welfare Committee and Benevolence. He promised once we open our Worship places, the Committee will sensitize members.

**Question 2. George Nyawade** from Western Bloc asked how many meetings has the Board held in the year 2019.

**Answer:** There were various meetings. All the meetings held have been documented and readily available.

**Question 3. Theophilus Kioko** questioned why the Board Treasurer was serving as the Church Accountant.

**Answer:** His role is an oversight role but the church has an accountant who helps in running the financial matters.

#### MINUTE 08/09/2020 ADOPTION OF THE REPORTS

The Vice Chairman moved the motion on the adoption of the reports. George Khisa proposed and Oscar Ondatto seconded. 99% of members were in agreement that we adopt the reports.

## MINUTE 09/09/2020 PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2021 AND ADOPTION

The Treasurer presented the budget for all the 4 Blocs totaling to Kshs. 33,964,940. **Elder Jeremiah Oginga proposed and Simon seconded the adoption. 98% of members' supported the adoption of the budget.** 

## MINUTE 10/09/2020 APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS FOR THE YEAR 2021

The motion was moved by the Vice Chairman whether to maintain our current Auditors, Members agreed at 98%. Linet Imbulani proposed and Paul Kuru seconded.

## A.O.B

- 1. Gilbert Wandera suggested that has the church is growing are we thinking of the ways of developing a succession policy: The Elders were tasked to deal with this issue
- 2. There was a proposal of changing the name of our Church from The Nairobi Christian Church to International Churches of Christ East Africa. Kingsley Keya proposed and seconded the changes to be effected with 96% of members adopting it

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 1.30 pm with a word of prayer from Elder Antony Mwanza

Chairman	
Signature	. Date
Secretary	
Signature	.Date