

Proposed Amendments to the Church Constitution and Bylaws

To be voted on by the Membership at the 2025 Annual Business Meeting

CURRENT VERBIAGE

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ARTICLE IV – BUSINESS MEETINGS

A. The annual business meeting or any special business meeting shall be announced at two consecutive Sunday services prior to the meeting.

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A. The annual business meeting or any special business meeting shall be announced at two consecutive Sunday services prior to the meeting. **The annual business meeting or special business meetings can be conducted in person or virtually.**

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ARTICLE VIII – AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended by the members. A copy of the proposed changes must be made available to the membership two (2) months prior to a members meeting properly called for this purpose. A two-thirds vote of the members voting in support of a measure shall be required to adopt any proposed changes.

REASON FOR CHANGE – This is to match up Article VIII in the Constitution with Article V in the Bylaws to both state 30 days.

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ARTICLE VIII – AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended by the members. A copy of the proposed changes must be made available to the membership **30 days** prior to a members meeting properly called for this purpose. A two-thirds vote of the members voting in support of a measure shall be required to adopt any proposed changes.

A motion will be made at the E-Free Church Annual Business Meeting to make these changes to the Constitution and Bylaws. This will serve as official notice to the membership. Any questions or concerns regarding these changes should be directed to the Church Chairman, Kevin McKinley.