

**BYLAWS OF
SMOKY MOUNTAIN CHRISTIAN CAMP, INC.
COKER CREEK, TENNESSEE
APPROVED 1-11-85**

ARTICLE 1 Name, Purpose, and History

Section 1 Name and Location

The name of this organization shall be Smoky Mountain Christian Camp, Inc. It is a non-profit organization located at Coker Creek, in Monroe County, TN.

Section 2 Purpose

The purpose of the Smoky Mountain Christian Camp, Inc. is as follows.

General

Said Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes including for such purposes, a making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501 (c) (3) of Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

Specific

- (1) To promote Christ and His teaching in adults and children for a closer walk with our Lord.
- (2) To train and teach Christian principles to Christian educators, elders, deacons, ministers, missionaries, and church members.
- (3) To seek, by the use of the camp facilities and the help of the Holy Spirit, the salvation of those who are lost.
- (4) To meet together in the worship of our loving God through Jesus Christ for the edification of Christians.
- (5) To recruit and train Christian leaders.

Section 3 Incorporation

The Smoky Mountain Christian Camp is incorporated under the laws of the State of Tennessee as of the 19th day of February, 1976.

Section 4 History

Smoky Mountain Christian Camp, Inc. is an organization that grew from the Smoky Mountain Christian Service Camp which was begun in 1946 at Johnson Bible College, Kimberlin Heights, Tennessee, and met in rented facilities at the college nearly every summer from the camp's beginning until the summer of 1975. Subsequent to the organization of the Smoky Mountain Christian Men's Fellowship, Inc., and at the request of the then Camp Directors, the camp began to be administered by a Board of Camp Directors elected annually by, and responsible to, the Smoky Mountain Christian Men's Fellowship, Inc. A harmonious relationship has existed continuously among the Smoky Mountain Christian Men's Fellowship, the Smoky Mountain Christian Service Camp, and Johnson Bible College.

In June, 1975, the Smoky Mountain Christian Men's Fellowship, Inc. entered into a purchase agreement with the Coker Creek Land Company for the property then known as Camp Whit-Bow at Coker Creek, Tennessee. The Christian Service Camp, still sponsored by the Men's Fellowship, met on this property in the summer of 1975.

By the vote of the Smoky Mountain Christian Men's Fellowship on July 11, 1975, the name was changed to Smoky Mountain Christian Camp. The property was transferred to the Smoky Mountain Christian Camp, Inc. on October 19, 1978.

On February 19, 1976, the day of incorporation, the Smoky Mountain Christian Camp, Inc. began to exist as an entity separate from and independent of the Smoky Mountain Christian Men's Fellowship, Inc.

ARTICLE II Government

Section 1 Ownership

Smoky Mountain Christian Camp, Inc. (hereafter referred to as SMCC) is owned by supporting independent Christian Churches/Churches of Christ which contribute a minimum of \$200.00 (monetarily or materially) annually to the camp and as approved by the BCR.

The list of "supporting churches" attached as EXHIBIT (A) shall be amended annually or as necessary by the Secretary to add or delete members as recommended by the Executive Committee and approved by the BCR.

Title to the properties is held by SMCC, Inc. in behalf of supporting churches, which churches are the "members" of the corporation as defined in Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 47-601.

Section 2 Control

SMCC shall be under the control and direction of a Board of Church Representatives (hereafter referred to as BCR) who are, in turn, subject to the supporting independent Christian Churches/Churches of Christ which appear on EXHIBIT (A).

Section 3 Sale and Encumbrancing of Property

Any real estate of the corporation or any interest therein may be sold, leased, or encumbered only after a resolution authorizing the sale, lease, or encumbrance has been introduced to all supporting churches that appear on EXHIBIT (A); and not less than thirty (30) days after the introduction of such a resolution, a called meeting (as defined in ARTICLE IV, Section 3) of the BCR shall be scheduled for the purpose of voting on such resolution, a two thirds (2/3) vote for adoption of such a resolution. Each supporting church shall be entitled to only one vote on such resolution. The quorum required for this meeting will constitute at least 60% of the total BCR.

ARTICLE III Organization

Section 1 The Lordship of Jesus Christ

It is recognized by the SMCC that the Head of the Church, Jesus Christ, is also the Head of the SMCC, Inc., and of every officer, group, or board of the camp.

Section 2 Board of Church Representatives (BCR)

- (1) Appointment. The BCR shall consist of two (2) representatives appointed by each of the supporting independent Christian Churches (EXHIBIT A) and the board shall be the governing board of the corporation as defined in Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 48-102(b).
- (2) Verification. Each supporting church of the SMCC shall provide the names of its official representatives to the BCR in writing at least once per year or more often as needed.
- (3) Voting. Only those official representatives so designated by the congregation will have voting privileges at any meeting of the BCR. An alternate may vote as proxy, so that each church can always have 2 votes at each roll call meeting.
- (4) Term of Office. Each member of the board of the BCR shall be appointed (or reappointed) for a period of one year, according to the will of the congregation which he or she represents.

- (5) Duties. The BCR shall meet together quarterly, or more often as called by the chairman, to conduct the business of the corporation. This business shall include the following:
- a. Establishing policies, goals, and guidelines for the work of the camp.
 - b. Electing a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer from the BCR to serve as officers of same.
 - c. Hiring of the Camp Administrator and other workers.
 - d. Approving the salaries and other remunerations as recommended by the Executive Committee.
 - e. Approving rental policies as recommended by the Executive Committee.
 - f. Approve fees, as recommended by the Executive committee, to be charged for rental of the camp site.
 - g. Approve the annual budget as presented by the Finance/Budget Committee.
 - h. Act on such other business that may be required from time to time, or as presented by the Executive Committee.

Section 3 Camp Administrator

- (1) Term. The Administrator shall be hired on an annual contractual basis and renewable every year thereafter for the term starting January 1. The contract may be terminated by mutual agreement. His services shall be terminated by resignation or by a simple majority vote of the BCR. In either case, the date of termination of employment shall not exceed ninety (90) days, following due written notice by the party initiating the termination to the other party, or at such other date acceptable to both parties.
- (2) Duties. The Administrator's duties shall be those commonly assumed by such Camp Administrators, Co-Coordinator, Managers, or Supervisors. He shall cooperate with, and aid in the administration of, the BCR committees. He shall serve as member of, and attend all Executive Committee meetings. He shall attend all meetings of the BCR and make a report to the same. He shall reside in housing facilities provided for him by the SMCC on the camp site. He shall use the "job description", written by the Executive Committee and approved by the BCR, as a guide in the carrying out of his duties. The most recent "job description" as approved by the BCR shall be attached to the bylaws as "EXHIBIT B". He shall carry out additional duties as determined by the BCR and directed by the BCR Officers.

Section 4 Chairman-President

The Chairman shall preside at all meetings of the corporation (BCR). The Chairman shall also be President of the corporation.

He shall call any special meeting necessary to conduct business of the corporation. He shall appoint additional committees not established by the bylaws needed to accomplish the goal of the corporation. He shall serve as chairman of the Executive Committee and ex-officio member of all other committees.

The Chairman shall serve one year, and shall serve not more than two terms consecutively.

Section 5 Vice-Chairman

The Vice-Chairman shall preside at any meeting in the absence of the Chairman. The Vice-Chairman shall serve as chairman of the Building/Grounds/Maintenance Committee, and appoint the members thereof. He shall have all other duties which the Chairman may assign. He shall serve as representative of the BCR at each meeting of the Smoky Mountain Christian Men's Fellowship.

Section 6 Secretary

The secretary shall keep a complete record of church addresses and the addresses of interested Christians. The Secretary shall keep minutes of all meetings of the BCR. The Secretary shall handle correspondence for the camp as directed and authorized by the BCR or Executive Committee.

The Secretary shall be empowered with the keeping, distribution, and editing of the bylaws. The Secretary shall distribute a copy of the bylaws to all members on an annual basis.

The Secretary shall notify all board members (as defined by ARTICLE III, Section 2 (1) (2)) of all annual, regular, or special meetings, of the BCR.

Section 7 Treasurer

The Treasurer shall be bonded and thus receive and disburse all funds of the SMCC. He or she shall also disburse additional funds as directed by the BCR.

The Treasurer is chairman of the Finance/Budget Committee and shall appoint the members thereof.

The Treasurer shall make a written monthly report to each regular meeting of the BCR, and an annual report to the annual meeting of the BCR.

Section 8 Executive Committee

The Executive Committee shall be the primary administrative committee of the SMCC. It shall consist of the current Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary, and Administrator.

The Executive Committee shall set all salaries for the final approval of the BCR; have first, but not final approval by the BCR.

The Executive Committee shall meet once per month and establish the meeting agenda for all annual, regular, and special meetings of the BCR. The Executive Committee shall select the time and location, most convenient for all members of all annual, regular, or special meetings of the BCR. It shall carry out all additional duties as directed by the BCR.

ARTICLE IV Meetings

Section 1 Annual Meetings

The annual meeting of the corporation shall be held in the month of December of each year.

At the annual meeting, officers shall be elected for the calendar year beginning January 1.

At the annual meeting the Administrator’s contract as defined by ARTICLE III, Section 3 (1) shall be reviewed, and the Treasurer will present his or her annual report.

Section 2 Regular Meetings

The Executive Committee shall schedule the meeting of the BCR as defined by ARTICLE III, Section 2 (5).

Section 3 Special Meetings

Special meetings of the BCR may be called by the Chairman, by a majority vote of the BCR, or upon a written request (petition) by at least 20% of the supporting churches. The special meeting shall be the only meeting that can act on ARTICLE II, Section 3.

Section 4 Quorums

The quorum required for all meetings of the BCR shall constitute the following:

- a. Annual Meeting – 20 % of all members (as defined by ARTICLE III, Section 2 (1) (2) of the BCR.

- b. Regular Meeting – (Same as Annual Meeting)
- c. Special Meeting – 60% of all members of the BCR.

Section 5 Roll Call

During any meeting of the BCR at the request of the Chairman of simple majority vote of the BCR, the Secretary shall conduct a roll call to enforce the voting requirements of ARTICLE III, Section 2 (3).

Section 6 Emergency Meetings

In the event of an emergency that must be acted on before a Regular BCR Meeting, and before a Special Meeting could be called, the President shall call an Emergency Meeting consisting of the Executive Committee, the Advisory Committee, and the Chairman of the committee that is affected by the emergency.

Such an emergency is defined as a situation that seriously threatens the Camp facilities or the continued operation of the Camp. Examples: County, State, or Federal Governmental actions; plumbing, electrical, or water system failure; fire, extreme cold, or damaging storms.

This Committee would have authority to take temporary corrective actions until a full solution could be acted on by a Regular or Special BCR Meeting. A cap of \$1000 may be spent by the Executive Committee without calling a Special Meeting of the BCR.

ARTICLE V Procedure

Except as otherwise provided in the bylaws, and conducted by the Chairman-President, procedure shall be governed by Roberts Rules of Order.

ARTICLE VI Amendment to Bylaws

Amendments to the bylaws may be made by reading the proposed amendment at any meeting of the BCR and then voting on the proposal at the next scheduled meeting of the BCR.

The amendment must be approved by at least a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of those BCR members present.

The bylaws shall be distributed to all members on an annual basis.

ARTICLE II, Section 3 shall be amended only by a Special Meeting of the BCR.