

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I.

NAME.

SECTION 1. The name of this organization shall be the "Salem Home-Coming Association."

ARTICLE II.

OBJECTS.

SECTION 1. The objects of the "Salem Home-Coming Association" shall be:

- (a.) To acquire title by deed or lease to the Salem Calvinistic Methodist Church property, situate in Cambria Township, Cambria County, Pennsylvania, being the property which became vested in said Church by deed of Edward Thomas and wife, dated June 3, 1854, and of record in the Recorder's Office of Cambria County in Deed Book Volume 12, at Page 709.
- (b.) To maintain said property as a holy shrine and religious place forever for the former members of said Church, their wives and husbands, and their descendants and friends who also may be interested therein.
- (c.) To promote the cause of Evangelical Christianity and Education.
- (d.) To cement anew the ties of love, friendship and brotherhood formerly in the environment of the old Church, and to promote a spirit of socialibility among the members of said Association.

ARTICLE III.

POWERS.

SECTION 1. The Salem Home-Coming Association shall have power to do anything necessary to properly carry out the object for which it is formed. It cannot, however, in its social entertainments, do anything or permit anything to be done on said premises that would detract from any of said objects.

ARTICLE IV.

MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 1. The membership of the Salem Home-Coming Association shall consist of active members only.

SECTION 2. Any person shall be qualified for active membership in this Association who was a former member of said Salem Calvinistic Methodist Church, or who was affiliated therewith, or who was the wife husband of such or the descendant of such, or who, being a friend of any such classes, is interested in the preservation of said Church for the objects within enumeration.

SECTION 3. Upon the signing of this Constitution and By-Laws and the payment of the dues hereinafter mentioned, any of said classes become members of the Association.

SECTION 4. Only members of the Association are entitled to vote.

ARTICLE V.
OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The officers of the Salem Home-Coming Association shall be the following:

A President, two Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer and five Trustees and two Auditors.

SECTION 2. All of said officers shall serve without compensation.

SECTION 3. All of said officers, except the two auditors, shall be elected at an annual meeting to be held during the month of May, the date and place of meeting to be fixed by the President, and shall serve for one year or until their successors have been elected and have qualified. The Auditors shall be appointed by the President and shall serve for one year.

SECTION 4. Any vacancy occurring in any elective office between elections shall be filled by appointment of the President.

ARTICLE VI.
DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The duties of the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be the usual duties devolving upon such officers.

SECTION 2. The President shall have the power to appoint the following standing Committees, namely:- Religious, Education, Social, Finance, Resolutions and Nominations, as well as any other Committees that may be deemed necessary to further the objects of the Association.

SECTION 3. The President, acting in conjunction with the other officers of this Association, is authorized to call special meetings as need requires.

SECTION 4. The Trustees shall have charge of the temporal property of the Association. They shall take title by deed or lease or agreement to its real estate in their names as Trustees, and shall hold said property for the Association.

ARTICLE VII.

MEETINGS.

SECTION 1. The meetings of the Salem Home-Coming Association shall consist of an Annual Meeting and an Annual Reunion, to be held during the month of August, in the old Salem Calvinistic Methodist Church aforementioned, at a date to be set by the President, and special meetings at other places, called by the President, as set forth herein.

ARTICLE VIII.

DUES.

SECTION 1. The dues of the Salem-Home-Coming Association shall be One Dollar, payable on the signing of this Constitution, and yearly thereafter.

SECTION 2. Failure to pay said dues for two consecutive years shall automatically work a suspension of any member, but he or she will automatically be re-instated into full membership upon payment of said delinquent dues.

ARTICLE IX.

PARLIMENTARY [sic] AUTHORITY.

SECTION 1. Roberts' Rules of Order shall be the Parlimentary authority for all matters of procedure not specifically covered by this Constitution and By-Laws.

ARTICLE X.

QUORUM.

SECTION 1. Fifteen members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE XI.

AMENDMENTS.

SECTION 1. This Constitution and By-laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of those present at the annual meeting of the Association. It cannot be amended at a special meeting unless three weeks notice in writing be mailed to each member of said proposed amendment, and then only by a four-fifths vote of the members present.

NOTE: – The above Constitution and By-laws were adopted by the Salem Home-Coming Association at a business meeting of the Association held on May 12, 1927, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Evans, in Ebensburg, Pennsylvania. See minutes of Recording Secretary.