

Constitution of the South Atlantic Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Article I-Name

The name of this organization shall be known as the South Atlantic Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

Article II-Purpose

The purpose of this Conference is to facilitate the proclamation of the everlasting gospel in the context of the three angels' message of Revelation 14:6-12 to all peoples within its territory, leading them to accept Jesus as their personal Saviour and to unite with His church, and nurturing them in preparation for His soon return.

Article III-Relationships

The South Atlantic Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, is part of the Southern Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, which in turn is a part of the North American Division of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, a world church organization.

Article IV-Territory

The territory of this Conference shall consist of the states of North Carolina, South Carolina and that portion of Georgia north of, and including the following counties: Early, Calhoun, Dougherty, Lee, Crisp, Wilcox, Dodge, Wheeler, Montgomery, Toombs, Tattnall, Long, and Liberty.

Article V-Membership

The membership of this Conference shall consist of such churches as have been or shall be properly organized in any part of the geographic territory under its jurisdiction and formally approved for membership by vote of the delegates at any regularly scheduled constituency meeting.

Article VI-Bylaws

The voters of this Conference may enact Bylaws, and/or repeal them, and such Bylaws may embrace any provision not inconsistent with the Constitution.

Article VII-Dissolution and Disposition of Assets

The Conference may only be dissolved by a two-thirds vote of the total number of delegates elected or otherwise appointed pursuant to Article III of the Conference Bylaws at a duly called constituency meeting.

In the event of the dissolution of this Conference, all assets remaining after all claims have been satisfied shall be transferred to the Southern Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists for the benefit of surviving regional churches in the South Atlantic Conference territory.

Article VIII-Amendments

Amendment, Revision and Repeal - The Constitution or the Bylaws of this Conference shall be amended, revised or repealed at any duly called constituency meeting by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the delegates present and voting at any such constituency meeting of the Conference except as it pertains to the dissolution of the conference stated in Article VII. In the event it is proposed to amend the Constitution or Bylaws at any specially called constituency meeting, notice of such proposed amendments shall be given specifically in conjunction with the time and place of the special constituency meeting and shall be handled in the same manner as a regularly scheduled constituency meeting. Any voted changes become effective at the constituency meeting where they are voted. Minutes of the South Atlantic Conference Session shall be approved no later than the second regular meeting of the Conference Executive Committee following a regular or special constituency session. The approved session minutes and the Constitution and Bylaws shall be posted and maintained on the Conference website.