

THE VALLEY PASTORS PRAYER NETWORK

Constitution and Bylaws

ARTICLE I

Name, Mission Statement, Goals and Objectives

NAME

The name of this organization is the Valley Pastors Prayer Network.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Network is to provide an avenue for Mat-Su Valley churches, pastors, and ministry leaders to worship, pray and work together in unity to advance the Kingdom of God, demonstrating the unity of the total church of Christ.

GOALS

The Network seeks to fulfill its mission state-wide by pursuing the following goals:

- To promote prayer coverage for local, regional, and world-wide issues.
- To practice and encourage unity and mutual respect between churches of like faith.
- To act as an encouragement for pastors and ministry leaders.
- To collaborate in faith-based events and services for the community of faith and the community at large.
- To facilitate the development of strategy and focus by key leaders of church ministries and community influence to advance the Kingdom of God.

OBJECTIVES

- Maintain a growing membership that is representative of all churches, pastoral networks, and ministries of like faith within the Mat-Su Valley.
- Provide both a financial and organizational structure the Network to grow and flourish with common goals.
- Organize and manage the strategic focus and collaborative efforts of the Network in such a way as to ensure the perpetuation of the Network.

The organization is organized and is to be operated exclusively for collaborative religious, educational, and charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law). No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its directors, officers, or other private individuals, or organizations organized and operating for a profit (except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay

reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes as herein above stated).

ARTICLE II

Registered Office and Agent

The Network shall maintain a registered office in Wasilla, Alaska. The registered agent will be appointed by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may change the registered agent and the location of the registered office by a majority vote at any regularly scheduled meeting.

ARTICLE III

VPPN Partnership Responsibilities and Benefits

Section 1.

Partnership

The VPPN will function as a partnership of churches, individual churches, para-church organizations and the ministry leaders of such in the Mat-Su Valley who are willing to signify their desire for relational partnership by signing a declaration of like faith and purpose.

Section 2.

Responsibilities

In order to promote the ongoing vitality of the VPPN and further its goals and objectives, partners will commit to:

- A. Strategic prayer
- B. Regular communication with VPPN partners
- C. Representation at VPPN meetings
- D. Active participation and on-going support

Section 3.

Partnership Benefits

A. In accordance with John 17:20-23, VPPN partners should expect to see the glory of Jesus Christ manifested in greater and greater degree, both in their personal lives, ministries, and the region. As our unity increases, God promises His blessing. (Psalm 133)

B. The VPPN will provide encouragement and an avenue for collaboration.

ARTICLE IV

Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of this association shall begin on the first day of January of each year and end on the 31st day of December next succeeding.

ARTICLE V

Board of Directors

Section 1.

The Board of Directors shall consist of a minimum of three and a preferable maximum of five ministry leaders who have exhibited a strong gifting in one of each of the areas of the five-fold ministry as stated in Ephesians 4 appointed from among the VPPN member networks and ministries. They should be individuals that exhibit the continuing work of the Spirit in their lives shown by ever-increasing godliness consistent with Biblical principles of leadership. All members of the Board of Directors should have a proven commitment to unity, faith for transformation, and a strong desire to serve in this position.

Section 2.

The Board of Directors shall be the governing body of the VPPN and shall have full power to do all things necessary to carry out the VPPN's objectives and purposes. In so doing, the Board of Directors shall be empowered within the resources available to make commitments, financial and otherwise, on behalf of the VPPN.

Section 3.

Members of the Board of Directors shall serve for a term of three years on a set rotation pattern with the option to continue a second term by unanimous consent of all Board members. Members may be considered for another rotation after one year's rest from service.

Section 4.

Filling of vacancies on the Board of Directors shall be by appointment upon unanimous agreement of the remaining members of the Board of Directors following a thirty-day period for open input by member networks and ministries.

Section 5.

Meetings of the Board of Directors will be held as deemed necessary to fulfill the Board's obligations.

ARTICLE VI

Amendments

The Constitution and By-Laws may be amended at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors, properly called, by a two-thirds vote of the Directors present provided thirty days notice of any proposed amendment shall have been sent to each member network or ministry for input.

ARTICLE VII

Bonding

The Treasurer and/or any other official of the organization so designated by the Board of Directors shall be bonded or insured, as required, at the expense of the Alliance for proper performance of the duties incumbent upon the office.

ARTICLE VIII

Dissolution or Final Liquidation

Upon dissolution or final liquidation, the organization shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all lawful debts and liabilities of the organization, distribute all of the assets of the organization to one of the following categories or recipients as the Board of Directors shall determine:

A non-profit corporation or organization having similar aims and objectives or one which may have been created to succeed the organization, as long as such organization or each of such organizations shall qualify under Section 115(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or as an organization exempt from Federal income taxation under Section 501(a) of such code as an organization described in Section 501 (c) 3 of such code (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

ARTICLE IX

Effective Date

This Constitution and By-Laws shall go into effect upon approval by the Board of Directors, circulation to charter members of the VPPN, and adoption at a specially called meeting of the VPPN charter members by a two-thirds vote of those present.