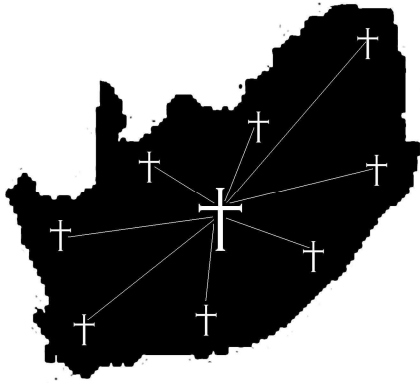


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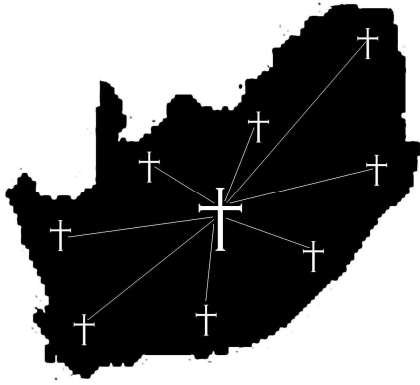
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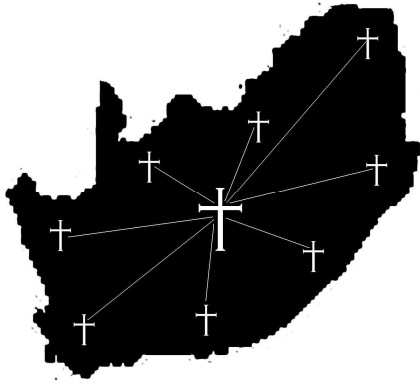
## 1. Definitions

Terminology	Definition
“The Organisation” or “Network”	CSN or Christian Soul Network
“The Constitution”	This document
“CSN”	An organisation with its main focus to enable evangelists to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ. The support can be in the form of funds, Supplying of Bibles or as approved by management.
“Management”	Board consisting of at least 5 members with decision making rights.
“AGM”	Annual General meeting for partners
“SGM”	Special General meeting for partners
“report”	All evangelists that have received funds will furnish CSN with a report of where the funds have been applied. These reports will be available for download on the CSN website. ( <a href="http://www.souls4jesus.co.za">www.souls4jesus.co.za</a> )
“Partner”	Any individual or company that supports the organisation.
“Network Partner”	Partner who donates funding equal to an amount as agreed by CSN management. Network partners have various advantages as stipulated in this document.
“Donations”	Donations as indicated by the organisation.
“approved evangelists”	Evangelists that are approved by the evaluation committee for funding.
“Application Evaluation Committee” (AEC)	A committee consisting of at least 5 members that will evaluate all funding applications and do a recommendation to management.

Unless the context indicates to the contrary, the masculine shall include the feminine gender and the singular shall include the plural and visa-versa.

## 2. Background

- 2.1 Jesus gave us a specific command in Matthew 28:19, 20: “Go then and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them into the name of Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe everything that I have commanded you, and behold, I am with you all the days, to the close and consummation of the age. Amen”
- 2.2 The mission is to spread the gospel to all people in South Africa. This mission is irrespective of culture, religion, ethnic group language and age.



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### **3. Name of organisation**

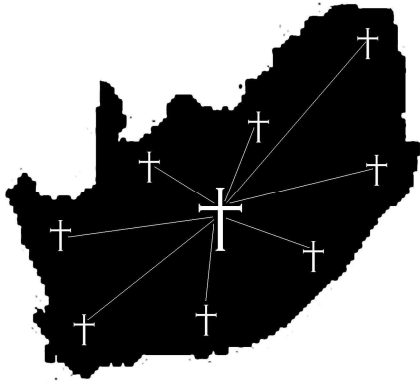
3.1 The Christian Soul Network, Hereafter known as CSN, the organisation or the network.

### **4. Aims and objectives**

- 4.1 The goal is to be supported by all the business leaders and working individuals, who have a passion to execute the command that God has given us:
- 4.1.1 Business leaders and working individuals have time and infra-structure to make money;
  - 4.1.2 Evangelists have the time and infrastructure to win souls for Christ.
- 4.2 Thus, by supporting evangelists, business leaders and working individuals are indirectly executing the command as stated in Matthew 28:19, 20.
- 4.3 The aims and objectives of the network will be:
- 4.3.1 To establish a Christian network amongst business leaders and working individuals and their customers;
  - 4.3.2 To raise funds from various sources:
    - 4.3.2.1 Individuals;
    - 4.3.2.2 Businesses;
    - 4.3.2.3 Marketing ideas (internet marketing, business networking, fund raising events, etc.).
  - 4.3.3 To promote the network within South Africa;
  - 4.3.4 To manage the funds and distribute to approved evangelists and projects such as:
    - 4.3.4.1 Distribution of Bibles;
    - 4.3.4.2 Community service projects, etc.
  - 4.3.5 To ensure a report to the partners;
  - 4.3.6 To provide all its services in a way that is fair to everyone.

### **5. Non-profit distribution**

- 5.1 No funds will be applied towards the gain and profit of the organisation or its members, but only towards the goals as set out in this constitution.
- 5.2 Administration office staff and members can be paid for services rendered according to the salary scale determined by the ruling market and as ratified by management. (see section 8)
- 5.3 Management representatives may be entitled to reimbursement of expenses, should it be approve by management and incurred during the execution of their duties. (see section 8)



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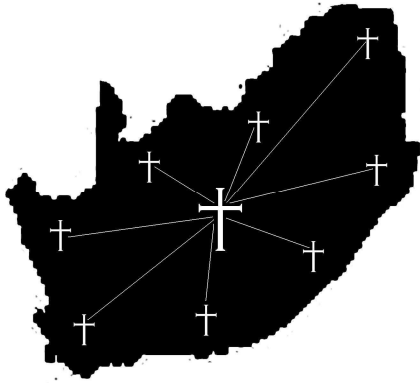
- 5.4 All expenses that promotes the purpose of the network and is approved by management could be paid by the network. (see section 8)
- 5.5 A resolution to dissolve the organisation can only be passed at an AGM or EGM through a majority vote of the network partners. In the event of dissolution, any assets of the organisation that remain will (see section 20):
- 5.5.1 Be applied for the original purpose as stated in this constitution;
  - 5.5.2 Or given to an organisation with similar objections, which has been approved in terms of section 30 of the Income Tax Act or any institution which is exempt from tax under the provision of section 10(1)(cA).
- 5.6 Management and partners of CSN will not have personal rights to the funds or property of CSN.

## **6. Logo / identification mark**

- 6.1 A logo will be available to business leaders or any partner interested. This logo will indicate to all Christians that you support evangelism. Thus, by supporting a partner of CSN, clients are also supporting evangelism.

## **7. Partnerships and Donations**

- 7.1 All will be subject to the regulations of the constitution and by applying for funding from the network, evangelists will be deemed to accept these regulations and codes of practice that the network has adopted as stated in this document.
- 7.2 Partners will be enrolled in one of the following categories as stated below. Network Partner donations will be set annually and agreed by the Management Committee or determined at the Annual General Meeting.
- 7.3 Donations can be made: annually or monthly
- 7.3.1 Network partner - R1200 / annum.
  - 7.3.2 Partner - Any donations will be applied towards the goals of the network as set out in this document.
- 7.4 Should the Network Partner donation not be made for a period of 3 months, the Network Partner status will be revoked.



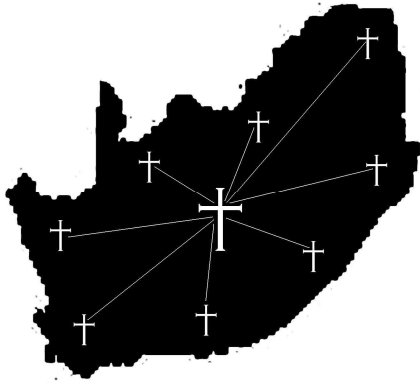
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### 8. Finance

- 8.1 Financially the organisation is an independent non-profit organisation, exempted from tax. All funds are controlled by management. Under no circumstances will the financial control be vested in any one person on his own. In its missionary endeavour, the activities of the organisation will be confined to the Republic of South Africa and the funds will be applied within this area.
- 8.2 All network monies will be paid into a bank account held in the name of the organisation. The Treasurer will be responsible for the finances and transfer of funds as decided by management.
- 8.3 The financial year of the organisation will end on: *28 February*. A statement of annual accounts will be presented by the Treasurer at the AGM.
- 8.4 Management will decide on which organisation will be supported, based on the recommendation as received from the application evaluation committee.
- 8.5 The organisation will not carry on any form of business such as commercial trade, speculative transactions, and dividend stripping activities or letting of property. The organisation will be allowed to buy and distribute religious material as a service to its partners.
- 8.6 Administration office staff and members can be paid for services rendered according to the salary scale determined by the ruling market and as ratified by management.
- 8.7 The organisation will not be held responsible for any debts by hired staff, management or voluntary workers. All donations made to the organisation must be irrevocable and subject to the conditions of this constitution, in accordance with the main object of the organisation.
- 8.8 Management representatives may be entitled to reimbursement of expenses, should it be approved by management and incurred during the execution of their duties.
- 8.9 All expenses that promote the purpose of the network and is approved by management could be paid by the network.

### 9. Evaluation committee

- 9.1 Evangelists will be evaluated against the following to ensure that the monies raised are applied correctly:
  - 9.1.1 Performance;
  - 9.1.2 South Africa as the area of interest;
  - 9.1.3 Statement of faith.



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### 9.1.4 Compliance with the organisations constitution:

9.1.4.1 Were the money applied towards the correct aim;

9.1.4.2 Was a monthly report submitted stating the above?

9.2 Applications will be approved on the discretion of the AEC.

9.3 The default term for an AEC member is a three year period, after which the AEC member must retire. A retiring AEC member shall be eligible for re-election. Management may, at the meeting at which an AEC member retires, fill the vacated position by electing a person thereto. The members of the AEC will be appointed by management;

9.4 Management members could stand in as AEC members, should the AEC not be available.

## **10. Formal application**

10.1 Formal application could be made to the committee for funding. Application forms can be downloaded from the CSN website.

10.2 All application forms should be faxed or mailed to us to reach us by no later than the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month, otherwise, the application will only be considered the following month.

10.3 The transfer of funds to the approved evangelist will commence on the 25<sup>th</sup> of the applicable month.

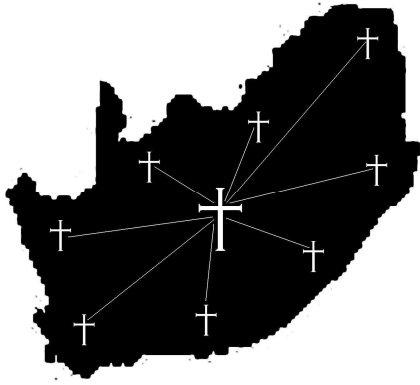
10.4 The network is under no obligation to fund any evangelist or to approve any application.

## **11. Reports**

11.1 All evangelists supported by the organisation will be obligated to supply us with a feedback report stating where the funds have been applied.

11.2 These reports will be available to all partners. The idea of the reports is to show the organisations supporting partners that their money has been applied correctly in accordance with this constitution.

11.3 Failure to produce reports will force the network to cease further funding to the evangelist or associated evangelists / organisations.



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### **12. CSN website**

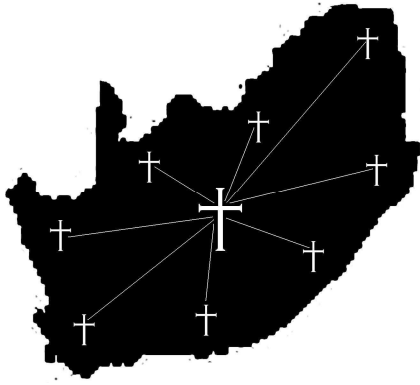
- 12.1 All partners will get access to the website as follows:
  - 12.1.1 Description of network to clients;
  - 12.1.2 Reports of what is being done;
  - 12.1.3 News and updates.

### **13. Advantages to network partners**

- 13.1 Network partners will be entitled to the following advantages:
  - 13.1.1 Network partners will be entitle to submit a business card (9cm x 5cm) advertisement that the network will publish on the website on the “partners” page;
  - 13.1.2 Be part of a Christian network;
  - 13.1.3 Favoured Christian client support.

### **14. Annual General Meetings**

- 14.1 Notice of Annual General Meetings (AGM) will be given by the Secretary.
- 14.2 Not less than 21 clear days notice to be given to all partners.
- 14.3 The AGM will receive a report from Management and a statement of the accounts.
- 14.4 Management has the right to call Special General Meetings (SGM’s) outside the AGM. Procedures for SGM’s will be the same as for the AGM.
- 14.5 The organisation shall hold its first Annual General Meeting within eighteen (18) months after the date of its incorporation and annually thereafter.
- 14.6 A period of not more than fifteen (15) months shall elapse between the date of one Annual General Meeting and that of the next.
- 14.7 The Annual General Meeting shall deal with:
  - 14.7.1 The Chairman’s Annual Report
  - 14.7.2 The Annual financial statements
  - 14.7.3 The Election of management
  - 14.7.4 The appointment of an auditor
  - 14.7.5 Any other issues raised by its partners and management.



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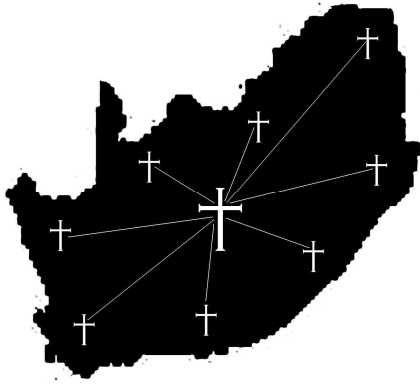
- 14.8 Only matters as stated on the original agenda may be discussed at the reconvened meeting. No items may be added to or removed from the agenda. Minutes will be kept and distributed at all meetings. These minutes will also be published on the website.
- 14.9 Only duly admitted partners who have been partners for a period of at least six months (and who have attained the age of eighteen years) may vote.
- 14.10 A quorum constituting a General or Special General Meeting of the organisation shall be at least one quarter of its network partners. Should no quorum be present, the meeting will be postponed to another date. The notices for the meeting shall be as stated in this document. The network partners at this meeting shall constitute a quorum.

### **15. Special General Meetings**

- 15.1 Special General Meetings of the organisation shall be held only after public notice has been given thereof, which notice shall state the whole of the business to be transacted thereat.
- 15.2 Only duly admitted partners who have been partners for a period of at least six months (and who have attained the age of eighteen years) may vote.

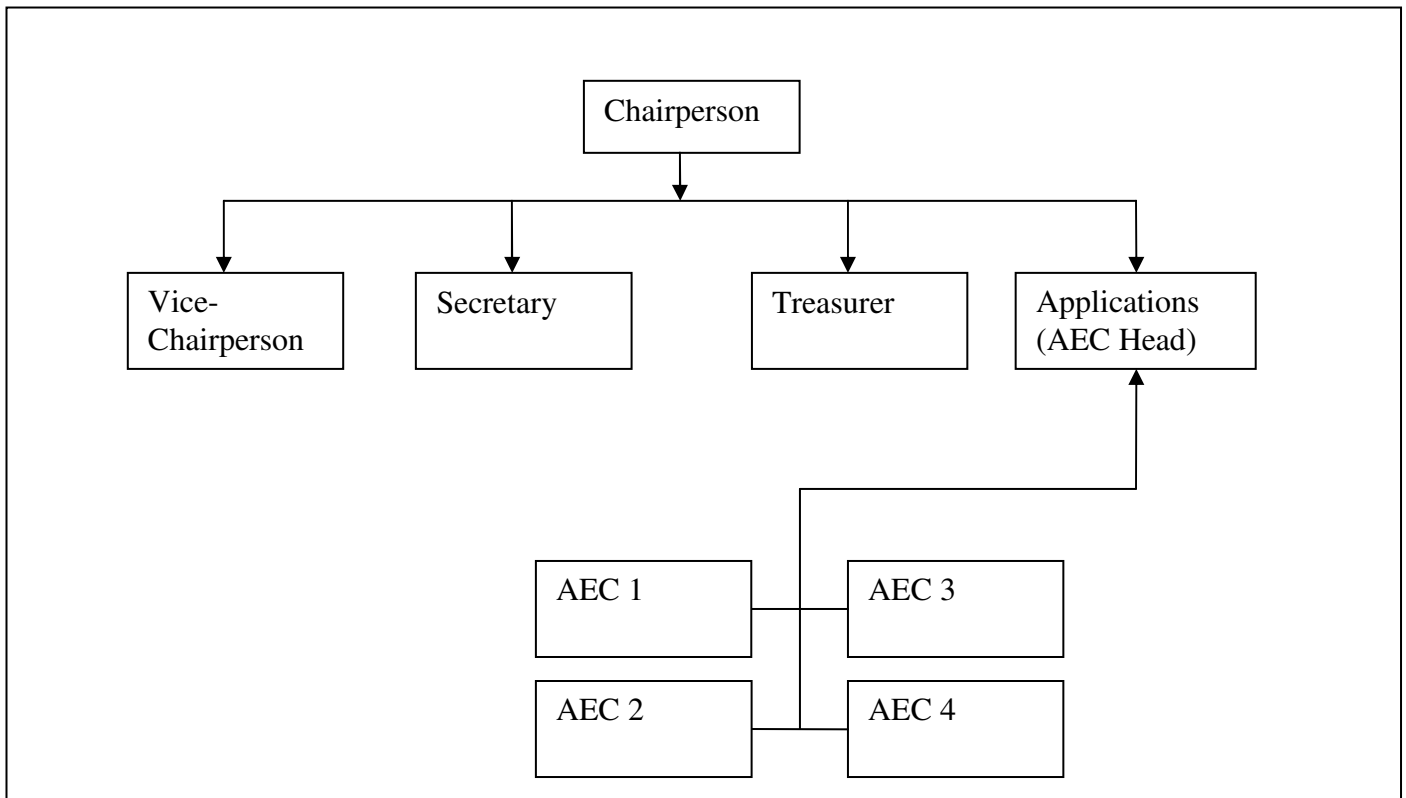
### **16. Discipline and appeals**

- 16.1 All concerns, allegations or reports of poor practice/abuse relating to the network's constitution will be recorded and responded to swiftly and appropriately in accordance with the applicable policies and procedures.
- 16.2 All complaints regarding the behaviour of management should be presented and submitted in writing to the founding members.
- 16.3 Management will meet to hear complaints within 60 days of a complaint being lodged. Management has the power to take appropriate disciplinary action including the termination of partnership.
- 16.4 The outcome of a disciplinary hearing should be notified in writing to the person who lodged the complaint and the partner against whom the complaint was made within 14 days of the hearing.
- 16.5 There will be the right of appeal to Management following disciplinary action being announced. Management should consider the appeal within 30 days of receiving the appeal.



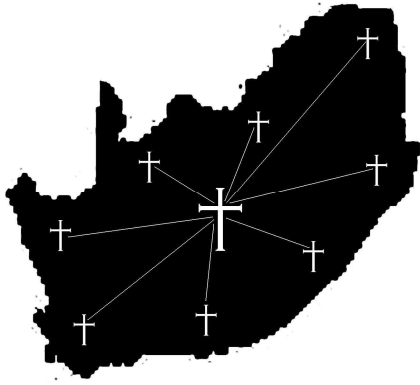
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## 17. Organigram – Structure of CSN



## 18. Legal status

- 18.1 CSN is a body corporate with its own legal identity which is separate from its individual members.
- 18.2 CSN shall continue to exist even if the members change unless it is decided to dissolve the organisation (see section 20)
- 18.3 CSN may own property, enter into contracts and sue or be sued in its own name.
- 18.4 Any management representative can enter into contracts or transactions on behalf of CSN, should management delegate its powers thereto.
- 18.5 Management are not personally liable for any loss suffered by any person or organisation as a result of an act or omission, which occurs in good faith while management is performing functions for or on behalf of the organisation.



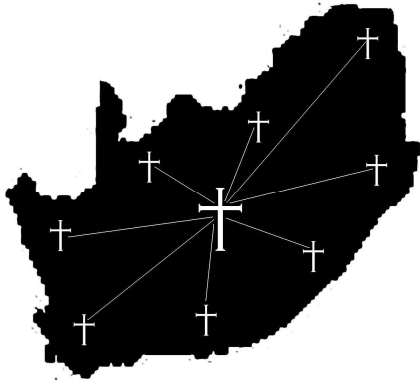
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### **19. Powers**

- 19.1 CSN shall have all the power necessary to execute the objectives effectively as stated in this constitution through its management.
- 19.2 These powers shall include but is not limited to:
- 19.2.1 To employ staff and hire services.
  - 19.2.2 To institute or defend any legal or arbitration proceedings and to settle any claims made by or against CSN.
  - 19.2.3 To open and operate accounts with registered banks and building societies.
  - 19.2.4 Accept donations made to CSN and apply them towards the goals and objections of CSN.
  - 19.2.5 Donate or transfer funds to organisations with similar objections.
  - 19.2.6 Execute projects that conform to the goals and objections of CSN.
  - 19.2.7 Invest funds and use the profit towards the goals of the network.
  - 19.2.8 Exercise all management and executive powers and authority of CSN, not only in South Africa but in any other part of the world.

### **20. Management and continuity**

- 20.1 Management will consist of:
- 20.1.1 Chairperson.
  - 20.1.2 Vice-Chairperson.
  - 20.1.3 Secretary.
  - 20.1.4 Treasurer.
  - 20.1.5 Applications.
- 20.2 Initial membership shall be the persons as stated in section 24.
- 20.3 Management will be nominated by the outgoing management to ensure that the organisation is managed in accordance with this constitution.
- 20.4 The quorum necessary for any decisions to be enforced is two-thirds (3/5) of management. Each management representative will have only one (1) vote and decisions are made by a majority of votes.
- 20.5 The default term for management is a three year period, after which the management representative must retire.



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- 20.6 Management meetings will be held at least once every three (3) months or as requested by management. Minutes will be kept of all meetings and signed by those present.
- 20.7 A retiring management representative shall be eligible for re-election. Management may, at the meeting at which a management representative retires, fill the vacated position by electing a person thereto.
- 20.8 Management should work close together; therefore, a new management representative must be approved / elected by all the existing management representatives.
- 20.9 All members of management and the AEC shall be partners of the CSN.

## **21. Dissolution**

- 21.1 A resolution to dissolve the organisation can only be passed at an AGM or EGM through a majority vote of the network partners. In the event of dissolution, any assets of the organisation that remain will:
- 21.1.1 Be applied for the original purpose as stated in this constitution;
  - 21.1.2 Or given to an organisation with similar objections.

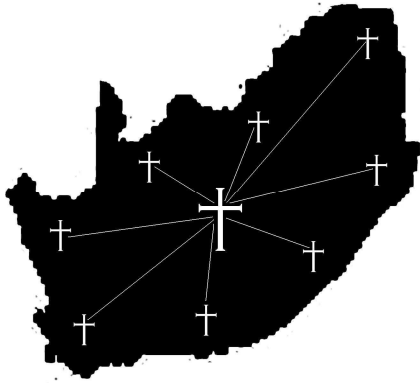
## **22. Amendments to the constitution**

- 22.1 The constitution may be amended at the AGM or at any other time at a SGM called for this purpose provided that one month's notice is given of the proposed change in resolution.
- 22.2 The constitution will only be changed through agreement by two-thirds majority vote at an AGM or SGM.

## **23. Statement of faith**

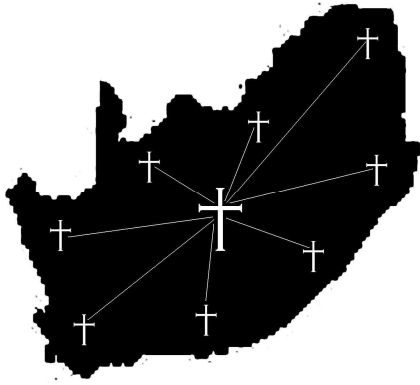
The Christian Soul Network believes the following and support the evangelism thereof as follows:

- 23.1 The Bible, consisting of the Old and New Testaments in their original form, is the fully inspired and only infallible Word of God. We accept it as the supreme and final authority in all matters of doctrine, faith and life
- 23.2 There is one God, who is self-revealed in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. These are the three eternal distinctions in one divine being.



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- 23.3 The deity of the Lord Jesus Christ, His virgin birth, His sinless life, His miracles, His vicarious and atoning death through His crucifixion, His bodily resurrection, His ascension to the right hand of God the Father, His personal future return to reign in power and glory.
- 23.4 Man was created good in the image of God. But man, by voluntary transgression, fell, and his only hope of redemption is in Jesus Christ the Son of God.
- 23.5 The only means of being cleansed from sin is through repentance toward God and faith in the finished work of the Lord Christ Jesus on Calvary. Man is justified by grace alone and this through faith.
- 23.6 They who receive Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour by faith, are born again by the Holy Spirit and become Children and heirs of God. The New Birth is absolutely essential for personal salvation and eternal life.
- 23.7 The Lord Jesus appointed two ordinances - believer's baptism by immersion in water as a public witness and confession of faith and identification with Christ declaring that we have died with Jesus and have also been raised with Him to walk with Him in newness of life, symbolical of being baptized in one body - and the Lord's Supper is the partaking of the emblems, the bread and the fruit of the vine, as a memorial of His suffering and death and a prophecy of His second coming by all believers "until He come".
- 23.8 The sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a life of righteousness and true holiness.
- 23.9 The baptism of the Holy Spirit with the speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gives them utterance and the operation of the gifts of the Holy Spirit for the edification of the body of Christ.
- 23.10 Each Christian believer who is redeemed by Jesus Christ and regenerated by the Holy Spirit is part of that body.
- 23.11 The Redemptive work of Christ on the cross provides healing for the human body.
- 23.12 The resurrection of the saved and the lost, the one to everlasting life and the other to everlasting damnation.



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## 24. Declaration

CSN initial Management hereby adopts and accepts this constitution as a current operating guide regulating the actions of partners.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: D.B GREEFF

Position: Chair

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: F STANDER

Position: Vice Chair

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: P JORDAAN

Position: Secretary

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: R.A KRUGER

Position: Treasurer

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: C.J GREEFF

Position: Applications