

Society Bylaws

Name of Society

EMERGE CHURCH OF CALGARY SOCIETY operating as The EDGE (Every Day Grace Experience) Fellowship

MEMBERSHIP

1. A member of EMERGE CHURCH OF CALGARY SOCIETY operating as The EDGE Fellowship is one who has participated and contributed to the congregation any time within the past 12 months. Any member, not having participated and contributed but wishing to be reinstated, must begin by participating and contributing to the events and activities of the Fellowship.
2. Membership may be revoked at the discretion of the Pastor in consultation with the Board. Members may resign their membership either in writing by letter or email, or by phone.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

3. Board of Directors, Executive Committee or Board, shall mean the Board of Directors of the society.
4. The Board shall, subject to the bylaws or directions given it by majority vote at any meeting properly called and constituted, have full control and management of the affairs of the society, and meetings of the Board shall be held as often as may be required, but at least once every six months, and shall be called by the President. A special meeting may be called on the instructions of any two members provided they request the President to call such meetings, and state the business to be brought before the meeting. Meetings of the Board shall be called by notice in the weekly Church Bulletin and/or by telephone or email. Any four members shall constitute a quorum, and meetings shall be held without notice if a quorum of the Board is present, provided however, that any business transactions at such meeting shall be ratified at the next regularly called meeting of the Board; otherwise they shall be null and void.
5. A person appointed or elected a director becomes a director if they were present at the meeting when being appointed or elected, and did not refuse the appointment. They may also become a director if they were not present at the meeting but consented in writing to act as director before the appointment or election, or within ten days after the appointment or election, or if they acted as a director pursuant to the appointment or election. If a Director or Officer fails to fulfill his/her duties they may be removed by a decision of the Board.
6. Board members will serve a term of three years unless a member resigns or is terminated prior to the end of the term.

PRESIDENT/VICE PRESIDENT

7. The President shall be ex-officio a member of all Committees. He/she shall, when present, preside at all meetings of the society and of the Board. In his/her absence, the Vice-President shall preside at any such meetings. In the absence of both, a meeting shall be postponed until further notice.

SECRETARY

8. It shall be the duty of the secretary to attend all meetings of the society and of the Board, and to keep accurate minutes of the same. He/she shall have charge of the Seal of the society which whenever used shall be authenticated by the signature of the Secretary and the President, or, in the case of the death or inability of either to act, by the Vice-President. In case of the absence of the Secretary, his/her duties shall be discharged by such officer as may be appointed by the Board. The Secretary shall have charge of all the correspondence of the society and be under the direction of the President and the Board.
9. The Secretary shall also keep a record of all the members of the society and their addresses, send all notices of the various meetings as required.

TREASURER

10. The Treasurer shall receive all monies paid to the society and be responsible for the deposit of same in whatever Bank, Trust Company, Credit Union or Treasury Branch the Board may order. He/she shall properly account for the funds of the society and keep such books as may be directed. He/she shall present a full detailed account of receipts and disbursements to the Board whenever requested and shall prepare for submission to the Annual Meeting a statement duly audited of the financial position of the society and submit a copy of same to the Secretary for the records of the society. The Office of the Secretary and Treasurer may be filled by one person if any annual meeting for the election of officers shall so decide.

AUDITING

11. The books, accounts and records of the Secretary and Treasurer shall be audited at least once each year by a duly qualified accountant or by two members of the society elected for that purpose at the Annual Meeting. A complete and proper statement of the standing of the books for the previous year shall be submitted by such auditor at the Annual Meeting of the society. The fiscal year end of the society in each year shall be December 31 (*month & day*).
12. The books and records of the society may be inspected by any member of the society at the Annual Meeting or at anytime upon giving reasonable notice and arranging a time satisfactory to the officer or officers having charge of same. Each member of the Board shall at all times have access to such books and records.

MEETINGS

13. This society shall hold an annual meeting on or before June 1 (*month & day*) in each year, of which notice shall be published in the weekly Church Bulletin for a period of one month preceding the date of such meeting. Any member in good standing shall be eligible to any office in the society. Any vacancies of positions on the Board of Directors shall be filled as they occur.
14. General meetings of the society may be called at any time by the Secretary upon the instructions of the President or Board by notice in the weekly Church Bulletin or by telephone or email. A special meeting shall be called by the President or Secretary upon receipt of a petition signed by one-third of the members in good standing, setting forth the reasons for calling such meeting, which shall be by notification in the weekly Church Bulletin or by telephone or email.

15. 50% + 1 _____ (*fraction, percentage or number*) members in good standing shall constitute a quorum at any meeting.

VOTING

16. Any member who has not withdrawn from membership nor has been suspended nor expelled shall have the right to vote at any meeting of the society. Such votes may be by telephone, subject to special arrangement and only for emergent issues. The Board of Directors may vote by telephone if they are unable to attend a Special Resolution meeting. Otherwise voting shall be in person.

REMUNERATION

17. Bi-Monthly Remuneration for services rendered shall be paid to the Pastor of EDGE Fellowship. The amounts determined for Salary and Expenses shall be detailed in the Annual Budget of the Society and are subject to review as warranted by changes in the Financial Status of said Society.

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18. Effective **March 9, 2018** the name of the Society shall be **EMERGE CHURCH OF CALGARY SOCIETY** operating as The EDGE (Every Day Grace Experience) Fellowship aka **EDGE Fellowship**.

ORDINATION OF CLERGY

19. The EDGE Fellowship may ordain Pastors/Elders as required to meet the Pastoral needs of the congregation, provided such individuals meet the requirements commensurate with the position and demonstrate the love, leadership, care and commitment modelled by Jesus the Christ.

Clergy should aspire to model the qualities outlined in Titus 1:7-9 "Since an overseer is entrusted with God's work, he/she must be blameless – not overbearing, not quick-tempered, not given to drunkenness, not violent, not pursuing dishonest gain. Rather he/she must be hospitable, one who loves what is good, who is self-controlled, upright, holy and disciplined. He/she must hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that he/she can encourage others by sound doctrine and refute those who oppose it."

BORROWING POWERS

20. For the purpose of carrying out its objects, the society may borrow or raise or secure the payment of money in such manner as it thinks fit, and in particular by the issue of debentures, but this power shall be exercised only under the authority of the society, and in no case shall debentures be issued without the sanction of a special resolution of the society.

BYLAWS

21. The Bylaws may be rescinded, altered or added to by a "Special Resolution".

Date: January 20, 2019

<p>Signature: _____</p> <p>Address: _____ City/Town: _____ Province: _____</p> <p>Print Name: Emily Lukacik_ _____</p>
<p>Signature: _____</p> <p>Address: _____ City/Town: _____ Province: _____</p> <p>Print Name: Andrew Lukacik_ _____</p>
<p>Signature: _____</p> <p>Address: _____ City/Town: _____ Province: _____</p> <p>Print Name: Colin Wallace_ _____</p>
<p>Signature: _____</p> <p>Address: _____ City/Town: _____ Province: _____</p> <p>Print Name: Elizabeth Kitt _____</p>
<p>Signature: _____</p> <p>Address: _____ City/Town: _____ Province: _____</p> <p>Print Name: Bertha Omelusik_ _____</p>

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