

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
CENTER OF HOPE
UNDER SDCL CH. 47-22

ARTICLE I.

The name of this non-profit corporation shall be Center of Hope.

ARTICLE II.

The period of existence of this non-profit corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE III.

This non-profit corporation is formed for benevolent, charitable and religious purposes. The ministry purpose statement is to reach out with God's love and grace through Jesus Christ to lost and broken people. Hence, the purposes of this non-profit corporation are evangelical and benevolent. Included in the purposes of this non-profit corporation will be after school programs and Bible schools for children, activities and mentoring programs for middle school and high school youth, and support and self-help groups for adults. This non-profit corporation will purchase, lease and otherwise acquire real and personal property for said purposes and shall be the recipient of charitable gifts and bequests in furtherance of these purposes. This non-profit corporation shall be maintained entirely by donations, bequests and other gifts and charitable contributions. This non-profit corporation is organized under the auspices of the Reformed Church of America by direct authority of the Classis of Dakota, a subdivision thereof, which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable and religious purposes, tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE IV.

Neither the incorporators, directors or other members, if any, of this non-profit corporation shall have any property rights in its assets, and upon termination of their membership they shall have no interests in its assets or property. In the event of the termination and dissolution of this non-profit corporation, its assets and property shall become vested in the Classis of Dakota of the Reformed Church of America, which as aforementioned is organized and operated exclusively for charitable and religious purposes, tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE V.

The affairs and management of this non-profit corporation shall be under the direction and control of a Board of Directors, not to exceed fifteen (15) in number, such number to be from time to time determined by the Board of Directors. The number of directors constituting the original Board of Directors is nine (9) and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the original directors are as follows:

Name

Address

City, State, Zip

Joel Blankers	2312 East 18th Street	Sioux Falls, SD 57103
Sharon Bonnema	RR 3, Box 9B	Luverne, MN 56156
Tim DeBruin	310 E. Dakota Avenue	George, IA 57237
Wyonne Kaemingk	1312 Mitchell Blvd.	Mitchell SD 57301
Dee Muston	604 N. Omaha	Sioux Falls SD 57103
Arlene Stern	27182 ñ 473rd Ave.	Sioux Falls SD 57108
Beverly Wassenaar	704 S. Elizabeth Ave.	Hills, MN 56138
Jim Westra	4404 E. Tomar Rd.	Sioux Falls SD 57105
Ed Wood	2104 S. Willow Ave.	Sioux Falls SD 57105

ARTICLE VI.

The Directors of this non-profit corporation shall be persons who professed Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior, and have attained the age of 21 years. In the event of a vacancy on the Board of Directors, through death, resignation or other cause, the remaining members of the Board of Directors shall seek a qualified person to fill such vacancy. The directors shall serve such terms as are specified by the Board in the By-Laws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE VII.

The Executive Committee of this non-profit corporation shall consist of the Ministry Director as President, a Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, all to be appointed by the Board of Directors for terms to be set by the Board of Directors. The terms of the Executive Committee officers and their respective duties shall be as specified by the Board of Directors in the By-Laws of the corporation.

ARTICLE VIII.

The corporation is to have no members.

ARTICLE IX.

The initial registered agent of the corporation shall be Rev. Fred Wilgenburg and the registered office shall be 3328 North Cliff Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD 57104.

ARTICLE X.

The Board of Directors shall be vested with all management of the affairs of this non-profit corporation, and shall appoint, supervise and remove all staff, including the Director of Ministry, and shall fix their compensation.

ARTICLE XI.

The name and address of the incorporators of this non-profit corporation are:
 Rev. Fred Wilgenburg, 5210 E. Madison Street, Sioux Falls, SD 57110
 Jim Westra, 4404 E. Tomar Road, Sioux Falls SD 57105
 Joel Blankers, 2312 E. 18th Street, Sioux Falls SD 57103
 Ed Wood, 2104 S. Willow Avenue, Sioux Falls SD 57105

ARTICLE XII.

These Articles may be amended from time to time in the manner authorized by law at the time of the amendment.

Executed in duplicate on the _____ day of August, 2001.

