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AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE SRI LANKA CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR
CHRIST.

WHEREAS a Society called and known as “The Sri Lanka Campus Crusade for Christ”, has heretofore been established in Sri Lanka for the purpose of effectually carrying out and transacting all matters connected with the said Society according to the rules agreed to by the said Society :

Preamble.

AND whereas the said Society has heretofore successfully carried out and transacted the several objects and matters for which it was established, and has applied to be incorporated, and it will be for the public advantage to grant the application :

BE it therefore enacted by the Parliament of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as follows :—

1. This Act may be cited as the Sri Lanka Campus Crusade for Christ (Incorporation) Act, No. 25 of 1981.

Short title.

2. From and after the date of commencement of this Act, the National Director and the members of the Advisory Board for the time being of the Sri Lanka Campus Crusade for Christ (hereinafter referred to as “the Society”) and such and so many persons as may hereafter be admitted as members of the Corporation hereby constituted, shall be a body corporate (hereinafter referred to as “the Corporation”) with perpetual succession under the name and style of “The Sri Lanka Campus Crusade for Christ” and by that name shall and may sue and be sued in all courts with full power and authority to have and use a common seal and to change and alter the same at its discretion.

Incorporation of the Sri Lanka Campus Crusade for Christ.

3. (1) The Corporation shall consist of the following :—

Members of the Corporation.

(a) a National Director who shall be appointed in accordance with the rules in force for the time being of the Corporation ; and

(b) an Advisory Board comprising such number of persons as may from time to time and in accordance with the rules in force for the time being of the Corporation, be appointed by the National Director.

(2) The first members of the Corporation shall be the members of the Society at the time of the coming into operation of this Act, namely—

- (a) Rev. Ananda Perera—National Director
- (b) Mr. Godwin Perera
- (c) Mrs. Ruby de Mel
- (d) Mr. Rajkumar Karunairatnam
- (e) Mr. Rajan Hensman
- (f) Mr. Lyn Lewis

General
objects
of the
Corporation.

4. The general objects of the Corporation are hereby declared to be—

- (a) to share the message of Jesus Christ ;
- (b) to work with all Crusade and other Christian groups ;
- (c) to equip Christians with a deeper knowledge of their faith ;
- (d) to provide a regional training centre and arrange regional conferences ; and
- (e) to do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects.

General
powers
of the
Corporation.

5. The Corporation shall have the power to do, perform and execute all such acts, matters, and things whatsoever, as are necessary or desirable for the promotion or furtherance of the objects of the Corporation or any one of them including the power to open, operate and close bank accounts, to borrow or raise moneys with or without security, to receive or collect grants and donations, to invest its funds, and to engage, employ and dismiss personnel required for the carrying out of the objects of the Corporation.

Rules of the
Corporation.

6. (1) It shall be lawful for the Corporation from time to time at a general meeting and by the requisite majority of the members voting thereat, to make rules for the management of the affairs of the Corporation and the accomplishment of its objects. Such rules when made may at a like meeting be altered, added to, amended or cancelled.

(2) The members of the Corporation shall be subject to the rules of the Corporation.

(3) The rules of the Society in force at the time of the coming into operation of this Act shall be deemed to be the first rules of the Corporation.

7. A member of the Corporation or employee thereof shall not enter upon the duties of his office until he signs and delivers to the Corporation his acceptance of the Statement of Faith set out in the Schedule to this Act.

Statement of Faith.

8. All debts and liabilities of the Society existing at the time of the coming into operation of this Act shall be paid by the Corporation hereby constituted, and all debts due to and subscriptions and contributions payable to the Society shall be paid to the Corporation for the purposes of this Act.

Debts due by and payable to the Society.

9. The Corporation shall be able and capable in law to take and hold any property, movable or immovable, which may become vested in it by virtue of any purchase, grant, gift, testamentary disposition or otherwise, and all such property shall be held by the Corporation for the purposes of this Act and subject to the rules in force for the time being of the Corporation, with full power to sell, mortgage, lease, exchange or otherwise dispose of the same.

Corporation may hold property movable and immovable.

10. The seal of the Corporation shall not be affixed to any instrument whatsoever except in the presence of the National Director or in his absence a member designated by him in writing to act for him and another member of the Corporation, who shall sign their names to the instrument in token of their presence and such signing shall be independent of the signing of any person as a witness.

Procedure for affixing the seal of the Corporation.

11. Nothing in this Act contained shall prejudice or affect the rights of the Republic or of any body politic or corporate or of any other person, except such as are mentioned in this Act, and those claiming by, from or under them.

Saving of the rights of the Republic and others.

SCHEDULE

(Section 7)

Statement of Faith

The sole basis of our beliefs is the Bible. God's infallible written Word, the sixty-six books of the Old and New Testaments. We believe that it was uniquely, verbally and fully inspired by the Holy Spirit, and that it was written without error in the original Manuscripts. It is the supreme and final authority in all matters on which it speaks.

We accept those large areas of doctrinal teaching on which, historically, there has been general agreement among all true Christians. Because of the specialised calling of our movement, we desire to allow for freedom of conviction on other doctrinal matters, provided that any interpretation is based upon the Bible alone, and that no such interpretation shall become an issue which hinders the ministry to which God has called us.

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We explicitly affirm our belief in basic Bible teachings, as follows :—

1. There is one true God, eternally existing in three persons—Father, Son and Holy Spirit—each of whom possesses equally all the attributes of Deity and the characteristics of personality.
2. Jesus Christ is God, the living word, who became flesh through His miraculous conception by the Holy Spirit and His virgin birth. Hence, He is perfect Deity and true humanity united in one person forever.
3. He lived a sinless life and voluntarily atoned for the sins of men by dying on the cross as their substitute, thus satisfying divine justice and accomplishing salvation for all who trust in Him alone.
4. He rose from the dead in the same body, though glorified, in which He lived and died.
5. He ascended bodily into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God the Father, where He, the only mediator between God and men, continually makes intercession for His own.
6. Man was originally created in the image of God. He sinned by disobeying God ; thus, he was alienated from His creator. That historic fall brought all mankind under divine condemnation.
7. Man's nature is corrupted, and he is thus totally unable to please God. Every man is in need of regeneration and renewal by the Holy Spirit.
8. The salvation of man is wholly a work of God's free grace and is not the work, in whole or in part, of human works or goodness of religious ceremony. God imputes His righteousness to those who put their faith in Christ alone for their salvation, and thereby justifies them in His sight.
9. It is the privilege of all who are born again of the Spirit to be assured of their salvation from the very moment in which they trust Christ as their Saviour. This assurance is not based upon any kind of human merit, but is produced by the witness of the Holy Spirit, who confirms in the believer the testimony of God in His written Word.
10. The Holy Spirit has come into the world to reveal and glorify Christ and to apply the saving works of Christ to men. He convicts and draws sinners to Christ, imparts new life to them, continually indwells them from the moment of spiritual birth and seals them until the day of redemption. His fullness, power and control are appropriated in the believer's life by faith.
11. Every believer is called to live so in the power of the indwelling Spirit that he will not fulfill the lust of the flesh but will bear fruit to the glory of God.
12. Jesus Christ is the Head of the Church, His Body, which is composed of all men, living and dead, who have been joined to Him through saving faith.
13. God admonishes His people to assemble together regularly for worship, for participation in ordinances, for certification through the Scriptures and for mutual encouragement.
14. At physical death the righteous enters immediately into eternal, conscious fellowship with the Lord and awaits the resurrection of his body to everlasting glory and blessing.
15. At physical death the unrighteous enters immediately into eternal, conscious separation from the Lord and awaits the resurrection of his body to everlasting judgment and condemnation.

16. Jesus Christ will come again to the earth—personally, visibly and bodily—to consummate history and the eternal plan of God.
17. The Lord Jesus Christ commanded all believers to proclaim the gospel throughout the world and to disciple men of every nation. The fulfillment of that Great Commission requires that all worldly and personal ambitions be subordinated to a total commitment to “Him who loved us and gave Himself for us”.

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