

CONSTITUTION  
OF  
ECCLESIA APOSTOLICA DIVINORUM MYSTERIORUM  
(THE APOSTOLIC CHURCH OF THE DIVINE MYSTERIES)

JOANNES, The Servant of Jesus Christ, by the Grace of God Archbishop of Great Britain of the Apostolic Episcopal Church (The Holy Eastern Catholic and Apostolic Orthodox Church)

TO ALL FAITHFUL in JESUS CHRIST throughout the World, Peace, Health and Benediction!

BE IT KNOWN unto you that at dawn on Easter Sunday, being the fourth day of April in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Ten, invoking the presence and power of the Living Holy Ghost, and acting under Our Plenary Powers as Archbishop of this jurisdiction of the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church, and by all other powers hereunto enabling did issue the following CONSTITUTION:

ARTICLE ONE: FOUNDATION, NAME AND NATURE

- A. There shall be Founded upon this day a Church that is an Autogenic and Autocephalous Denomination or Part of the Body of Christ that is the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church.
- B. The name of the Church shall be ECCLESIA APOSTOLICA DIVINORUM MYSTERIORUM, also called in the vernacular The Apostolic Church of the Divine Mysteries.
- C. The Church is founded upon the principle that the only separation between Man and God is that brought about by Man himself. The Church is dedicated to removing this separation by any and all possible means.
- D. The Church is an expression of the Inner Church and Johannine Tradition that has existed within the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church since its inception.

ARTICLE TWO: PURPOSE

To Worship Almighty God as Father-Mother of Nature; to witness, proclaim, strengthen and preserve the Faith as taught in the Scriptural writings and the writings of the undivided Church, with special place accorded to the Gnostic Gospels and the texts of the Gnostic Churches and related bodies; to preserve the Wisdom Traditions of the Christian Faith as they have been handed down through the initiatic Societies and related bodies; to bring into

clearer manifestation the Mission of the Church with a special emphasis on the reconciliation of the Inner and Outer manifestations of the Church; to awaken in humankind the hope of the imminent Parousia of Our Lord and Saviour the Christ; to awaken in men and women their true destiny to once again exercise the Charismatic Gifts of the Holy Spirit of God; to demonstrate the grace of the sacramental life as manifested in Body, Soul and Spirit, man's tricomposite nature; to revive and practice the Divine Gift of Healing; and to act as a Centre for the reunion of the Eastern and Western Churches of the Apostolic Succession.

#### ARTICLE THREE: LEGAL STATUS

The Church is a voluntary religious and charitable association dependent on its Foundation Charter and the present Constitution.

#### ARTICLE FOUR: AUTHORITY

The canonical authority of the Ecclesia Apostolica Divinorum Mysteriorum is vested in its Presiding Bishop whose appointment was ratified by the Apostolic Episcopal Church and Order of Corporate Reunion on 4 April 2010. The Presiding Bishop is constituted a Corporation Sole and has authority as Metropolitan and Primate of the Ecclesia.

#### ARTICLE FIVE: MEMBERSHIP

We accept as members all and any persons who join this jurisdiction and adhere to its purposes and authority.

#### ARTICLE SIX: ADMINISTRATION

This Constitution is the organizational and administrative authority of the Ecclesia Apostolica Divinorum Mysteriorum. Executive powers of administration are vested in the Presiding Bishop.

#### ARTICLE SEVEN: PROPERTIES

This Church may acquire real and personal properties, establish and maintain funds and trusts, accept donations, testamentary legacies and bequests.

#### ARTICLE EIGHT: EXISTENCE

The Ecclesia Apostolica Divinorum Mysteriorum shall exist perpetually.

#### ARTICLE NINE: AMENDMENTS

Amendments to this Constitution may be proposed by a specially constituted committee appointed by the Presiding Bishop who has final power of veto over all amendments. Adoption of any amendments to this Constitution shall be approved by the Presiding Bishop who is the sole executive authority worldwide and its supreme Canonical Authority.

Adopted and Approved on 4 April 2010 by the Presiding Bishop The Most Revd. Dr. John Kersey, O.C.R., D.D., Ed.D., Ph.D.

Amended 17 November 2010.

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