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**Note
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Subsidiary Legislation**

This Chapter contains no subsidiary legislation.

**Note
on
Repeal**

This Act repealed the Methodist Missionary Society (Vesting of Property) Ordinance (1953 Edition Cap. 229).

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22 of 1953

An Act to incorporate the Guyana Methodist Trust Corporation to hold the property in Guyana of the Methodist Church in the Caribbean and Americas and for purposes connected therewith.

[14th MAY, 1979]

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Guyana Methodist Trust Corporation Act.

Interpretation

2. In this Act—

“the Association” means the Methodist Missionary Trust Association incorporated in England on 31st October, 1933 under the Companies Act 1929;

“the Church” means the Methodist Church in the Caribbean and the Americas;

“the Committee” means the District Synod or the General Purposes Committee of the Guyana District;

“the Conference” means the governing body of the Church;

“the Corporation” means the Corporation established by section 3;

“the Guyana District” means the Guyana District of the Methodist Church in the Caribbean and the Americas;

“the Missionary Society” means the Methodist Missionary Society.

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the 1953
Edition.

“the Ordinance” means the Methodist Missionary Society (Vesting of Property) Ordinance.

Incorporation
of the Guyana
Methodist Trust
Corporation.

3. (1) There is hereby established a body corporate to be known as the Guyana Methodist Trust Corporation which shall consist of not less than four nor more than seven persons as hereinafter provided.

(2) Subject to this Act and to the Constitution and Discipline of the Church, the following persons shall be the members of the Corporation, that is to say, the Reverend Donald Cedric Henry, President of the Conference, the Reverend Eric St. Claire Clarke, Secretary of the Conference, the Reverend Edwin Derick Fitzgerald Vandeyar, Chairman of the Guyana District, the Reverend George Newton Frederick, Secretary of the Guyana District and Harold Barrington Davis, Aubrey Ronald Fitz Bishop and Ella Barrow being three other members holding office in that behalf by virtue of their being appointed thereto by the Committee, and their successors in office.

(3) The Chairman and the Secretary of the Guyana

District shall be the Chairman and the Secretary of the Corporation, respectively.

Death or absence from Guyana of members of the Corporation. 4. In the event of the death or absence from Guyana of any member of the Corporation, all or any of the powers conferred on the Corporation by this Act may be exercised by the surviving or remaining members, provided however, that such powers may not be exercised by less than four members of the Corporation.

Tenure of membership. 5. A member shall continue in office until his tenure of office terminates in accordance with the Constitution and Discipline of the Church.

Vesting of property in the Corporation. 6. All property in Guyana which before the commencement of this Act was vested in the Association and all property in Guyana to which the said Association is beneficially entitled shall be and the same are hereby vested, without further assurance, in the Corporation.

Vesting of property bequeathed. 7. All property of whatever nature or kind hereafter bequeathed by will or otherwise acquired by the Church shall be deemed to be the property of the Corporation.

Tenure of property for use and benefit of the Church. 8. All property vested in or hereafter acquired by the Corporation shall be held by the Corporation for the use and benefit of the Guyana District.

Execution of documents. 9. (1) Any document requiring to be formally executed by or on behalf of the Corporation shall be deemed to be sufficiently executed if signed by the Chairman and the Secretary of the Corporation, or in such other manner as may, from time to time, be determined by the Corporation.

(2) Any other document not required by law to be executed under seal shall be deemed to be duly executed if signed by a person or persons authorised by the Corporation so to sign and such person or persons shall be deemed to be so designated in such document and to be so authorised,

unless the contrary is proved.

Evidence
of acts.

10. Any person signing as Chairman, Secretary or member of the Corporation shall be taken so to be, until the contrary is proved, and any statement or certificate that any person named therein is the Chairman, Secretary or member of the Corporation, or that a document is a true copy of any document or of any extract from any document or entry in the books or records of the Corporation purporting to be signed by the Chairman, the Secretary or a member shall be admissible as *prima facie* evidence of the fact of the original document or entry.

Service of
process.

11. Any document or process may be served on the Corporation by—

- (a) delivering it to the Chairman of the Guyana District or the Secretary of the Corporation; or
 - (b) sending it by registered post to the address of the Corporation.
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