

A DECLARATION

By the Founding Fathers of

THE CHURCH AT VICTORVILLE

After prayerfully considering the fact that a vast majority of churches in America function not as sovereign entities, but rather, as religious organizations which are structured and governed according to the traditions of men, we have found it necessary and proper to establish a local Messianic congregation which shall be free of such limitations; and with due respect to the faithful remnant in Christ of all persuasions, to put forward a definitive statement of our intent in this regard, and of the need for such a congregation to be established in this place, at this time.

We, therefore, as free citizens of the Holy Nation, do hereby solemnly declare the founding of The Church At Victorville; a congregation of members of the universal royal priesthood of Yisrael in Christ; commencing on this eighteenth day of August, two thousand fourteen, in the city of Victorville, California, United States of America.

CONSTITUTION

We, the founding members and representatives of The Church At Victorville, with the intent to establish a free and sovereign congregation, build a community according to the Doctrine of Mashiyach, provide for the needs of our people, and advance the Kingdom of Yisrael, do decree and ordain this Constitution for The Church At Victorville.

ARTICLE I

Name and Organization

1. The official name of this association shall be The Church At Victorville.
2. This local congregation is hereby founded and organized as a free and independent religious organization, according to the legal precedent established by the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America.

3. The Church At Victorville is so named not for commercial or evangelical purposes, but solely as a means of identifying her geographical location.

ARTICLE II

Purpose and Mission

1. The Church At Victorville shall consist of three (3) or more members joined by mutual consent, for the common, non-profit purpose of:

- a. Establishing a church community according to the Doctrine of Christ Himself, rather than the traditions of rudiments and men.
- b. Edifying and inspiring its members through Biblical teaching, prophetic revelation, and equitable redistribution of material resources.
- c. Building and optimizing a prototype for global church reform and Kingdom advancement.

2. It is the mission of The Church At Victorville to establish national, racial and doctrinal unity of the faith among the Commonwealth of Yisrael in Christ, to throw down and uproot Babylonian paganism among the faithful remnant, and to rebuild and plant the Hebraic governmental foundation of the body of Mashiyach.

3. The Church At Victorville may engage in any and all other religious and charitable activities permitted to an organization exempt from federal income tax according to the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

To these ends, The Church At Victorville may engage in any lawful activities that may be incidental or necessary to these purposes, and shall possess and may exercise all powers and authority conferred upon such free and independent religious organizations.

ARTICLE III

Governance

1. Operation - The Church At Victorville orders of leadership shall consist of pastors, elders and

deacons; ordained and appointed with mutual consent, by the founding apostle and prophet. Each order shall have an appointed officer from its own order, i.e. a chief pastor, chief elder and chief deacon, presiding with mutual consent, over their respective orders.

2. Administration - The chief pastor shall confer with the pastors and elders to determine specific duties, authority and assignments for each officer. The qualifications for, and forfeiting of these offices shall be determined and established according to the criterion set forth in the Holy Scriptures themselves.

3. Process - The Church At Victorville shall be governed by a council of at least three (3), but not more than twelve (12) elders, chosen from her overall membership, to be ordained and established with the consent of her members. The administration and total number of elders will be determined as the church requires, being changeable as congregational size and/or circumstances necessitate.

ARTICLE IV

Membership

1. Policy - The Church At Victorville shall be a private congregation which invites and welcomes the general public to attend her meetings, encourages them to become members, and in the process, requires a simple adherence to the church's standards of common courtesy, decency and decorum.

2. Qualifications – Eligible citizens of The Church At Victorville shall consist of like-minded persons who embrace the Holy Bible as the revealed Word of YHWH, accept the blood atonement of Christ for the remission of sins, and are in general agreement with The Church At Victorville statement of beliefs.

Fellowship shall be open to anyone meeting the above criterion, and demonstrating a willingness to exercise their spiritual gifts and utilize their material resources to the mutual benefit and edification of their fellow members, their community, and the broader society.

3. Fees - The Church At Victorville shall be a strictly voluntary organization, and no fees or annual dues shall be required.

4. Grievances - Any and all member disputes shall be approached and settled according to the doctrinal process set forth by Christ, as recorded in the Gospel of Matthew, Chapter 18, verses 15-17.

5. Equality - The Church At Victorville categorically rejects the notion that any groups or individuals will be, or should be, denied membership in the local congregation, and/or full Kingdom citizenship in the holy nation, the body of Mashiyach at large, based upon race, color, gender, national origin, or any other specified group characteristic.

ARTICLE V

Office and Duration

1. The physical office of The Church At Victorville shall be located at the address at which the Treasurer has official residence; or at such place as the Council of Elders may determine, as the business of The Church At Victorville may require.

2. The duration of The Church At Victorville shall be perpetual. The death, removal, or resignation of any member of the congregation shall not result in the dissolution of thereof.

ARTICLE VI

Accounting and Records

1. The fiscal year of The Church At Victorville shall be from January 1 to December 31 of each year.

2. All donor lists, correspondence, and other financial records shall be preserved by the designated officer(s). Records that have ceased to be of use for the conducting of church affairs may be turned over to a designated depository for preservation, or discarded.

ARTICLE VII

Dissolution

In the event of the dissolution of The Church At Victorville per-se, its property, funds, and other assets shall be transferred to whatever organization(s) operating exclusively for charitable

purposes that the church may determine, and qualify as tax exempt, according to the legal precedent established by the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this Constitution on this eighteenth day of August 2014.

Yashah Ben Yahushua Yisrael (D. Aaron Marshall) – Shaleakh (Apostle) / Pastor

ATTEST:

Shabar Ben Yahudah (Kevin A. Walker) – Nabi (Prophet) / Treasurer

