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**Constitution  
Concord Baptist Church of Silver City Inc.  
6905 Concord Road  
Cumming, GA**

**Preamble**

We declare and establish this Constitution to preserve and secure the principles of our faith and to govern the church body in an orderly manner. This Constitution will reserve the liberties of each member and the freedom of action of this body in its relation to other churches.

**1. Name**

- 1.1. This body shall be known as the Concord Baptist Church, located at 6905 Concord Road, Cumming, Georgia. The word `Church' used in this document shall refer to Concord Baptist Church, Cumming, GA. The incorporated name of the Church is Concord Baptist Church of Silver City, Inc.

**2. Objectives**

- 2.1. To be a dynamic spiritual organism empowered by the Holy Spirit to share Christ with as many people as possible in our community and throughout the world.
- 2.2. To be a worshiping fellowship, experiencing an awareness of God, recognizing His person, and responding in obedience to His leadership.
- 2.3. To experience an increasingly meaningful fellowship with God and fellow believers.
- 2.4. To help people experience a growing knowledge of God and man.
- 2.5. To be a church that ministers unselfishly to persons in the community and world in Jesus' name.
- 2.6. To be a church whose purpose is to be Christ like in our daily living by emphasizing total commitment of life, personality, and possessions to the Lordship of Christ.

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### 3. Statement Of Faith

3.1. The Holy Bible is the inspired Word of God and is the basis for any Statement of Faith. This Church subscribes to the doctrinal statement of The Baptist Faith and Message as adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in the year 2000. We band ourselves together as a body of baptized believers in Jesus Christ, personally committed to sharing the good news of salvation to lost mankind. The ordinances of this Church are Baptism and the Lord's Supper.

### 4. Church Covenant

4.1. Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour and Lord and, on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we do now, in the presence of God and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter with one another as one body in Christ.

4.2. We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love, to strive for the advancement of this Church in knowledge, holiness, and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the Church, and the relief of the poor; and to the spread of the Gospel through all nations.

4.3. We also engage to maintain family and secret devotions; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all gossiping, backbiting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale of, and use of, intoxicating drinks as a beverage; to use our influence to combat the abuse of alcohol, drugs, and the spread of pornography; and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the Kingdom of our Saviour.

4.4. We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember one another in prayer; to aid one another in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and Christian courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation and mindful of the rules of our Saviour to secure it without delay.

4.5. We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this Covenant and the principles of God's Word.

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## 5. Polity

5.1. The government of this Church is vested in the body of believers who compose it. It is subject to the control of no other ecclesiastical body or individual except the Lord Jesus Christ. It does recognize and sustain the obligations of mutual counsel and cooperation that are common among Baptist Churches. Insofar as is practical, this Church will cooperate with and support the North Central Area Missions Program, the Georgia Baptist Convention, and the Southern Baptist Convention.

## 6. Amendment

6.1. This Constitution may be amended at a special conference meeting called for the purpose of amending this Constitution, providing that the suggested amendment has been proposed to this Church at least one month previous to the vote and that the resident active membership was notified in writing by mail or through four consecutive Sunday bulletins. Passage of the amendments shall be a three-fourths ( $\frac{3}{4}$ ) affirmative vote of those members present and voting at the special conference.