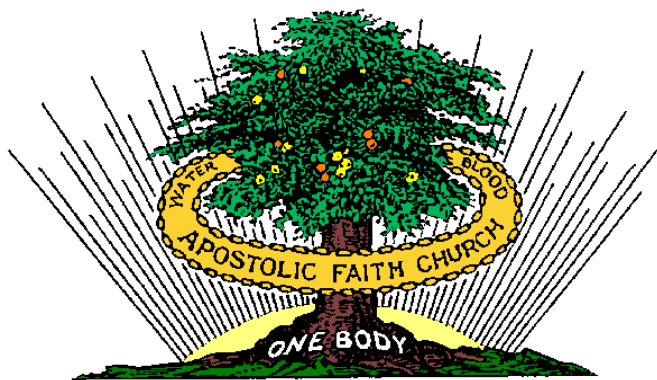


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OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT: APPOINTMENT OF REV. JEREMIAH SANDE AS INTERNATIONAL CHIEF OVERSEER OF THE APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH

The Apostolic Faith Church International Headquarters is pleased to officially announce the appointment of Rev. Jeremiah Sande as the International Chief Overseer, marking a significant and historic transition in the leadership of the Church, effective 27th March 2026.

This appointment was formally confirmed following a meeting between the Headquarters Church Board of Trustees and the Church Solicitors. The confirmation affirms a prior appointment made through a verified statement deposited with the Church Solicitors in May 2023 by the beloved late International Chief Overseer, Rev. Duncan Lee, who appointed Rev. Jeremiah Sande as his successor upon his passing, in accordance with the Deed Poll of the Constitution of the Church of 1916.

The Apostolic Faith Church operates under the provisions of its Deed Poll of Constitution established in 1916, and its Governance Administration and Management Manual of 2018, with constitution providing clear guidance on succession of the higher office, the governance responsibility and spiritual authority of the office. In alignment with these provisions, the Chief Overseer Rev. Duncan Lee had previously appointed Rev. Jeremiah Sande as the Deputy International Chief Overseer, and delegated to him the responsibility to administer the affairs of the Church as his assistant since early 2023.

In his official Statement of Appointment deposited with the Church Solicitors in Bournemouth, United Kingdom, Rev. Duncan Lee states that upon ceasing to perform the duties of his office, Rev. Jeremiah Sande was appointed to assume the office of International Chief Overseer as his designated lawful successor, with full responsibility pertaining to the administration of the affairs of the Church at the International Headquarters as well as presiding over all international branches of the Church overseas across various nations globally.

This process reflects the Church's commitment to order, continuity, and adherence to its governance system and constitutional framework and grounded in our Faith and Vision according the Revelation of Word of God given at the beginning through our Founding Father and Chief Overseer Rev. William Oliver Hutchinson.

In compliance with the provisions Deed Poll of the Constitution of the Apostolic Faith Church (1916), Rev. Jeremiah Sande has formally and legally executed a Deed of Acceptance, thereby confirming his commitment and willingness to assume the responsibilities of this high office.

Through this act, he has acknowledged the divine calling upon his life, and has accepted the spiritual and administrative authority vested in the office while committing himself before God to faithfully discharge the duties and obligations entrusted to him as International Chief Overseer. This official acceptance underlines both the legal and spiritual dimensions of the office.

As International Chief Overseer, Rev. Jeremiah Sande is vested with the full rights, responsibility and authority stipulated under the Constitution of the Apostolic Faith Church, to provide spiritual oversight and dealing with the administrative affairs of the Church, which include supervising and coordinating the activities of all international branches while providing global leadership, and upholding the peace and unity of the Church in love according to the order of the early Apostles. In the book of Acts, the Apostles continued in one accord in prayer and supplication, pursuing the mission with one mind, as the Word prevailed and the Lord added to them in number daily as the signs and wonder followed them that believed.

He will critically be responsible for upholding doctrinal integrity and unity of the Church as the Church pursues its Vision and Mission through the implementation of the goals and objectives of the Church as outlined in the AFC Governance, Administration and Management Manual and the Revealed Word of the Lord according to the scriptures.

One of the central constitutional mandates of the office of Chief Overseer as prescribed by the Deed Poll of the Constitution of the Church (1916) is the responsibility to 'to determine and enforce the discipline and laws of the Church, and to superintend the operations of the Apostolic Faith Church, to defend and preserve the Church to and for the objects and purposes for which it was originally established.' This charge highlights the gravity and scope of the office, which carries both spiritual and administrative responsibility.

The new International Chief Overseer is expected to relocate to Bournemouth in the coming days to operate and serve while being based at the International Headquarters. This transition to relocate, which had already begun in his capacity as the D.I.C.O., will enable him to settled down and effectively oversee and provide leadership to the global operations of the Church from its central administrative base.

The Church is called upon to uphold Rev. Jeremiah Sande in earnest and continual prayer and in full support and co-operation as he assumes his new role in the new office of International Chief Overseer, while honouring the life our beloved late I.C.O. Rev. Duncan Lee. This is a great commitment, as he has to lay down all his plans and employment and adjust the trajectory of his life aspirations by saying yes to the call to a ministry and leadership responsibility in the Church. The Church therefore ought to pray for God to sustain him according His Word in the scriptures and as spoken from the beginning. For if the Lord gave the Vision through His Spoken Word in the beginning, He is faithful to see it come to fulfilment by His grace. Remain steadfast in unity, faith, trust and obedience to the Word of God.

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