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# IGLESIA EVANGELICA CAMINO BIBLICO (BELIZE) ACT CHAPTER 326:10

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	23 of 2002.		[10 <sup>th</sup> August, 2002]
Short title.	<b>1.</b> This Act may be cited as the Iglesia Evangelica Camino Biblico (Belize) Act.		
Interpretation.	2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,		
	"Church" or "Corporation" means the Iglesia Evangelica Camino Biblico (Belize) constituted under section 3 of this Act;		
	"property" means property of every description, real or personal, movable or immovable.		
Constitution of the Church as a body corporate.	<b>3.</b> –(1) The Iglesia Evangelica Camino Biblico (Belize) is hereby constituted a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal which may from time to time be altered, and it may by its corporate name sue or be sued, plead or be impleaded in all courts of law, enter into contracts and do all other things necessary for the purposes of this Act.		
	(2) The Church shall have a Committee of Management made up as follows,		
	<i>(a)</i>	the President of the Church;	
	<i>(b)</i>	the Secretary of the Church;	
	(C)	the Treasurer of the Church;	and
	<i>(d)</i>	four other Committee Membe	ers.
Execution of docu- ments.	<b>4.</b> Any deed or other instrument relating to real property or any interest therein shall be deemed to be fully executed if there be affixed thereto the seal of the Corporation and the signatures of the President of the Church and the Secretary of the Church.		

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**5.** The Church shall exercise all of the powers and perform all the functions and duties directed and empowered by the President of the Church and its Committee of Management.

6. The Church shall have full power to,

- (a) acquire and hold by purchase, devise or otherwise, property of whatever kind within Belize, and to convey, assign, demise or otherwise dispose of such property;
- (b) borrow and take up at interest any sum or sums of money for the purpose of erecting or improving churches, schools, dwelling houses, or other buildings, and for that purpose to mortgage by deed under the Church's corporate seal portions of the lands, tenements and hereditaments as may be necessary for securing the repayment of that money, with interest thereon;
- (c) take, hold, employ and invest all such property as they deem advisable, but only for the purpose of the Church;
- (d) organize, maintain, carry on, foster, promote and contribute to the support of the Church, education, training, social services, publications and doctrines of the Church; and
- (e) do all other things deemed necessary, convenient or expedient to the accomplishment of any or all of the powers aforesaid.

7. All property belonging to the Church shall vest in the Corporation.

**8.**–(1) The Church shall have the power to make by-laws and to alter the same for its own internal management and control, and such by-laws shall be binding on every member thereof.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1) of this section, such by-laws may provide for the establishment, membership, and functions of sub-committees.

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- Obedience to the laws of Belize. 9. In proclaiming its doctrines and conducting its affairs, the Church shall obey the laws of Belize and the Belize Constitution, Cap. 4.
- Saving of State and other rights. **10.** Nothing in this Act shall affect or be deemed to affect the rights of the Government of Belize, its heirs and successors, or of any other person, except such as is mentioned or referred to in this Act, and those claiming by, through, from or under them.

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