

## NATURE AND FUNCTION

### WORLD ASSEMBLIES OF GOD FELLOWSHIP

The nature of this Fellowship is a cooperative body of worldwide Assemblies of God and related national councils and churches of equal standing. It is not a legislative organ to any national entity, but it is rather a coalition of commitment for the global furtherance of the Gospel and the kingdom of God as a service agent:

1. To uphold one another in prayer.
2. To support and encourage one another in the task of missions and evangelism.
3. To promote Christian fellowship and cooperation among Assemblies of God people throughout the world.
4. To provide means of consultation and cooperation among the members and related agencies.
5. To share mutual concerns and insights relating to any crucial, spiritual and temporal issues of the Church.
6. To administer relief in times of crises.
7. To promote exchange of personnel in special areas of ministry.
8. To disseminate helpful information and up-to-date statistics for the benefit of the Church.
9. To be a voice to the world and governments in defense of the faith, social justice, and persecuted believers, as the largest single Pentecostal group.
10. To cooperate with the broader body of Christ whenever possible.
11. The World Assemblies of God Fellowship has no authority to exercise control or governance over any of the activities or programs of any member.

## FINANCIAL SUPPORT

### **Constitution states:**

1. The sources of income shall be a contribution by each member within the World Fellowship, freewill offerings by local churches, and voluntary gifts.
2. A proposed budget and financial report shall be submitted to the Executive Council for approval.
3. The Chairperson shall have oversight of the financial accounting and reporting of the World Fellowship, and all relevant books and records shall be properly kept at the office of the Chairperson.

### **Bylaws state:**

1. Each member of the World Fellowship is encouraged to make voluntary contributions to the general fund of the World Fellowship in the form of annual gifts.