

of St. John's Independent Methodist Protestant Church, in the city of Baltimore," and by that name they are hereby made able and capable in law to sue and be sued, answer and be answered, defend and be defended, in any Court of Law or Equity, or before any Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland, or elsewhere; and also, to purchase, take by gift, grant, devise or bequest, hold, possess, retain and enjoy, to them and their successors, any and every kind or description of property, real or personal, in fee or for any less estate, and whether the same be situate within or without the State of Maryland, and the same or any part thereof, in their discretion, to grant a lien, convey, devise, or release, and to execute any trust upon which property may be hereafter granted, given devised or bequeathed, to them; *provided*, that the clear yearly value of the real and personal property of the said corporation shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars.

Proviso.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the said corporation shall and may adopt a common seal, and the same change at pleasure, meet at such times and places as they may appoint, form, establish and put in execution, and again at their pleasure, from time to time, repeal, change and modify such constitution and by-laws, regulating the affairs of said corporation and fixing the tenure of office and mode of succession of the corporators or managers thereof, as to them shall seem necessary or expedient, the same not being repugnant to the laws of Maryland or the Constitution of the United States, and perform all other acts requisite or proper for carrying out the objects and purposes of the association.

Management.

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the net income accruing to the said corporation from its property and investments, with any donations, devises or bequests which at any time shall be made to it for the express purpose of distribution, and not for permanent investment, shall be disposed of in contributions towards the current income of christian and charitable organizations that may be in operation from time to time, in aiding feeble Protestant Evangelical Churches, Ministers of the Gospel, with inadequate salaries, and worthy female members of the Church of Christ, in needy circum-

Net income.