

## PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS CHURCH

## OFFICE OF THE PRESIDING BISHOP GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SOUTH AFRICA

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Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ

There is a cultic church in South Africa Registered using the name International Pentecostal Holiness Church (IPHC), which name is also used by our mother church in the USA and globally. This Cultic Church is practicing a different doctrine from us. They also practice Polygamy and annually hold this mass matrimonial service when their men take more wives, To our church family outside South Africa, this causes great confusion... While the rest of the family is called IPHC (International Pentecostal Holiness Church).



With in South Africa, we remained with the name. The Pentecostal Holiness Church in South Africa", because we avoided being confused with this cult.



Indeed Pentecostal Holiness Church is the original registered name of our movement in South Africa and other Southern African countries since 1913. The church then changed the name Pentecostal Holiness Church to International Pentecostal Holiness Church around the 80;s which name we could not adopt then in South Africa because there was at this time a church registered as IPHC (International Pentecostal Holiness Church), We remained Pentecostal Holiness Church South Africa since we could not change to IPHC (International Pentecostal Holiness Church).

A lot of efforts were put into trying to resolve this confusion, especially during the time of Reverend Joe Arthur who was then the field Superintended for Africa.

We regret this annual continuous confusion that this matter causes which is beyond our control

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