CONSTITUTION of the ACADEMY OF HOMILETICS (1990)

I. Name and Purpose

The organization shall be called the Academy of Homiletics. Its primary purpose shall be to bring together professors and teachers of Homiletics for the study of the place of preaching in theological education, for the discussion and sharing of ideas and methods, and for the fostering of scholarly research in this and other related areas and disciplines.

II. Membership

Membership may be offered by the Academy to any regular or adjunct faculty member in a graduate/professional school of theology who teaches preaching, and may continue for persons moving into other areas of ministry. Associate membership may be offered by the Academy to graduate students preparing to teach in the field of homiletics.

III. Officers and Duties

- A. The officers of the Academy shall be:
 - 1. The President, who shall serve for a one-year term.
 - 2. The First Vice-President, who shall serve for a one-year term and who shall normally become the President the year immediately following this term.
 - 3. The Second Vice-President, who shall serve for a one-year term and who shall normally become First Vice-President the year immediately following this term.
 - 4. The Secretary, who shall serve for a three-year term.
 - 5. The Treasurer, who shall serve for a three-year term.
- B. Election of the Officers will be held at each annual meeting of the Academy. A committee, consisting of the immediate past President (serving as chair), the current President, plus two others elected by the Academy, shall meet during the annual meeting for the purpose of securing the necessary nominations for these offices.

 Nominations may also be made from the floor.
- C. The administration of the programs and business of the Academy shall be directed by an Executive Committee, consisting of the current Officers of the Academy, the immediate past President, and one member of the Academy elected at large.
 - 1. The Executive Committee will convene annually, normally at the conclusion of the annual meeting of the Academy. The Executive Committee may meet at other times as necessary.
 - 2. The Executive Committee will recommend to the Academy the date and place of future meetings of the Academy, have responsibility for planning and implementing the annual program

- of the Academy, and approve new memberships according to criteria established by the Academy.
- 3. The Executive Committee will arrange for the annual business meeting of the Academy and decide any other matters related to the development and progress of the Academy.
- 4. The Executive Committee may on occasion act for the Academy in implementing the program of the Academy and may appoint committees to carry out the work of the Academy.

D. The Duties of the Officers shall be:

- 1. The President, working with the Executive Committee, will oversee the planning of the program and the handling of arrangements with the local planning committee for the annual meeting of the Academy and will preside over the annual business meeting at which time reports will be heard, officers nominated and elected, and motions on proposals related to the welfare of the Academy will be entertained.
- 2. The First Vice-President will solicit papers for the annual meeting and see that they are distributed to the membership of the Academy and fulfill other duties assigned by the President and the Executive Committee.
- 3. The Second Vice-President will fulfill duties assigned by the President and the Executive Committee.
- 4. The Secretary will keep minutes and records of all meetings of the Academy and of the Executive Committee. Minutes of the annual meeting will be distributed to the members of the Academy within ninety (90) days of the conclusion of that meeting.
- 5. The Treasurer will handle the receipt and distribution of funds and make an annual written report on the financial status of the Academy.

IV. Dues

The annual dues and fees for all members will be established by vote of the membership at the annual meeting and will be receivable then for the following year.

V. Amendments

Amendments to this constitution may be made at the annual business meeting of the Academy by two-thirds vote of those present, provided that a copy of the proposed amendment(s) be submitted to the membership thirty days before the meeting.