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James B. **Carlisle**,
Governor-General.

25th September, 1998.

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

No. 11 of 1998

AN ACT to provide for the Incorporation of the Church of the Nazarene, to vest certain lands therein and to provide for matters incidental thereto.

[*1st October, 1998*]

WHEREAS the Church of the Nazarene has been serving the people of Antigua and Barbuda since 1973 and later that year the Church installed its first **Antiguan** lay-pastor; and

WHEREAS the Church acquired lands and built its first Church Building in 1983 and currently there are five other churches affiliated to the Church of the Nazarene throughout Antigua and Barbuda; and

WHEREAS the Church has continued its programme of expanding its ministry and providing theological training through the Centralized **Theological** Study Programme located in St. Johnson's Village, for those persons who wish to work in the Ministry of God; and

WHEREAS lands and hereditaments have been at different times conveyed in trust for the purposes of the said Church and its constituents, or are now beneficially held, used, occupied or enjoyed for such purposes by the same, or the officials or members thereof; and

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(Incorporation) Act, 1998*

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WHEREAS it is desirable and expedient that the Church of the Nazarene shall have the right to acquire, hold, deal with and dispose of movable and immovable property in Antigua and Barbuda for the purposes of the Mission.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Antigua and Barbuda as follows:

- Short title.** 1. This Act may be cited as the Church of the Nazarene (Incorporation) Act, 1998.
- Incorporation.** 2. The Church of the Nazarene is hereby constituted a body corporate under the name and title of "The Church of the Nazarene" with perpetual succession and a common seal and with power and authority by that name to sue and be sued, to acquire and to hold real and personal property for all purposes connected with the administration of the affairs of the Church of the Nazarene in Antigua and Barbuda and with power to sell, mortgage, alienate, lease, exchange or otherwise dispose of the said property.
- Execution of leases, transfers, contracts by Church.** 3. All deeds of conveyance or reconveyance, documents by mortgages, charges, assignments or other deeds and documents whatsoever and all powers of attorney and all notarial instruments required to be executed by the said Church of the Nazarene shall be deemed sufficiently executed if sealed with its common seal and subscribed by the Executive Director or Chairman of the Board of the Church for the time being and such execution shall be valid and effectual at law.
- Vesting of property in Church.** 4. All real and personal property in Antigua and Barbuda now held by or vested in any person on behalf of the Church of the Nazarene in Antigua and Barbuda are hereby transferred to and vested in the Church of the Nazarene and its successors for the same estates and interest and to the extent to which the same were respectively at the time of the passing of this Act held or vested as aforesaid, subject to the rights, **reservations** and charges if any, now affecting the same and the trusts upon which the same are now held, without conveyance, transfer or assignment.
- Saving.** 5. Nothing in this Act contained shall **affect** or be deemed to affect the rights of Her Majesty, her heirs and successors or any body, politic or corporate or of any other person except such as are mentioned in this Act and those claiming by, from or under them.

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Passed the House of Representatives this 13th
day of August, 1998.

Passed the Senate this 28th day
of August, 1998.

B. Harris,
Speaker.

M. Percival,
President.

S. Walker,
Clerk to the House of Representatives.

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Clerk to the Senate.

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