

# Proposed Agreement of Amalgamation - sample

between

ABC United Church, XYZ United Church

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## Name

The name of the new Community of Faith shall be \_\_\_\_\_ United Church, \_\_\_\_\_ Pastoral Charge.

## Date

The effective date of amalgamation shall be \_\_\_\_\_.

## Mission and Vision

The Mission of Hope United Church shall be "To worship and work to God's Glory".

It is the Vision of Hope United Church that we will:

1. Be a Community of Hope.
2. Be A Community which is Accepting, Welcoming and Sharing.
3. Share our faith story with all, especially our children and youth.
4. Take special care of our elders.

## Governance

The governing body of Hope United Church shall be a Church Council, which shall meet not less than quarterly. Quorum shall be one third of the eligible members (6)

It shall consist of:

1. Officers: Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Ministry PErsonnel or Pastoral Charge Supervisor (4)
2. Representative to Regional Council (1)
3. Whomever else you would like

There shall be working groups/committees for \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

Each working group shall report monthly to the Church Council. Working groups are not limited in numbers of members.

There shall be a Nominating Committee consisting of the Chair and a representative of each working group.

Terms of Office shall normally be \_\_\_\_ years. There shall be a sabbatical year before re-nomination to the Church Council for another term. The Treasurer shall be exempt from this term limit.

## Real Property

The Real Property of both congregations shall be combined for the use of Hope United Church and held by the Trustees of Hope United Church.

The portions of the Sale of the Manse shall be combined and the interest continue to be provided to the treasurer of the pastoral charge for the support of the salary of the ministry personnel. Other congregational investments shall be combined for the benefit of Hope United Church, respecting any directions from the original donor, if any. (List of Investments to be attached)

## Consent for Sale of XYZ church

Consent shall be requested by the congregation of XYZ United Church of \_\_\_\_\_ Regional Council to sell the building and property currently occupied by XYZ United Church known as *[legal description of property]*, and the proceeds from the sale after expenses be applied to the work of Hope United Church.

## Proposed Amalgamation Schedule - Subject to Regional Approval

March 5 & 12	Announcement of Congregational Meetings
March 19, Noon	Congregational Meeting of XYZ. Quorum 10 Full Members
March 26, Noon	Congregational Meeting of ABC. Quorum 10 Full Members
April 4 7:00 PM	Presentation and Request for Concurrence of Amalgamation and Sale of Property by Official Board
April 25	Presentation and Request for Concurrence of Amalgamation and Sale of Property by Covenant Commission of _____ Regional Council
May 21 9:45 AM	Service of Closing, XYZ United Church
May 28 9:45 AM	Service of Closing, ABC Church, Keady
June 4 10:30 AM	Service of Constitution of Hope United Church. Joint Pastoral Charge service including Communion