

nary examination necessary, after which, in the absence of objection, immersion or admission to take place. This rule not to apply to persons from a distance passing on.

Rule 25. That the duties of the Visiting Brethren and Sister shall be to communicate at least every four weeks, with Brethren and Sisters absent from the Breaking of Bread with a view to ascertain the cause of absence, and administer comfort in case of sickness, exhortation in case of indifference or help in case of need, that they shall report to the Rec. Brother who shall report to the Ecclesia, anything coming under their notice which the Ecclesia ought to know, also the Visiting Brethren shall render any assistance that may be required upon the occasion of the immersion of a Male Believer, and the Sisters in the case of a Female Applicant for Baptism.

Rule 26. Three examining Brethren to confer in conjunction with the Rec. Brother with persons applying to be immersed or admitted into the Ecclesia, with a view to ascertaining if the requisite qualifications exist.

Rule 27. That all funds and property belonging to the Ecclesia shall legally vest in the Arranging Brethren for the time being, as trustees for the general body, to whose direction they shall at all times be subject as to the disposal thereof.

Rule 28. That any Brother holding any office in the Ecclesia may be removed at any time by the vote of the majority of the whole Ecclesia.

Rule 29. That Behaviour unworthy of the name of Christ (see 1 Timothy 3, Titus 1) shall, when proved against any Brother, have the effect of cancelling any appointment such Brother may hold without a vote of the Ecclesia; and the appointment shall in that case be treated as vacant, and steps taken to fill it accordingly.

Rule 30. That any Brother departing from any element of the one Faith as defined by us in our Statement of Faith appended, shall, on proof of the fact being given to the satisfaction of the Arranging Brethren cease to be in Fellowship, without a formal vote of withdrawal, on the fact being announced to the Ecclesia.

Rule 31. That no accusation or matter of evil report against any brother shall be listened to in public or private, until the Brother bringing or reporting the accusation shall have taken the course prescribed in Matthew 18ch. 15 to 18v. and any Brother refusing to take this course while persisting in his accusation or in alienation on account of it, shall him-