STATE OF ALABAMA SHELBY COUNTY

Before me, Melford O. Cleveland, a Notary Public in and for the State of Alabama at Large, personally appeared John Mathers, who is known to me, and who first being duly sworn by me deposed and stated as follows:

- 1. I am John Mathers, and we moved to our property at Moore's Cross Road 1000 feet West of the Moore's Cross Road Church of God, in sight of the Church in 1945.
- 2. There was a wooden church on the Moore's Cross Road Church of God property in 1944. I understood that the church was organized because C. E. Jones had a son who wanted to be a minister.
- 3. At the time we moved onto our property at Moore's Cross Road, the Church of God there was an active church. We frequently heard the services from our home and observed people coming and going to regular church services there until we left the community in 1954. We returned in 1962 to our same property 1000 feet West of the said church. At that time the wooden building had been replaced by the present concrete block building, and the church continued to have active services until it was disbanded in November or December of 1980. I was never a member of that church.
- 4. It was reputed in the community that the property on which the said church is located and the surrounding property is the property of the said church. I have never heard of any person or organization disputing its title, and no other person or organization has been in possession of the property or any portion of it. The said church has occupied the said property openly, adversely, and notoriously to the whole world.

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John Mathers

Sworn and subscribed to this 7 day of February 1981.

Melford O. Cleveland, Notary Public, State of Alabama at

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