#### ORDINANCE NO. 2084

## AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND CHANGING THE NAME OF "ASBURY PLACE" TO "MAKEMIE PLACE".

WHEREAS, present Asbury Place lies approximately two hundred and thirty (230) feet east of North Division Street and extends northerly approximately two hundred and fifty (250) feet from Broad Street to its terminus; and

WHEREAS, for historic reasons the Wicomico Presbyterian Church has requested the name of said Asbury Place be changed to "Makemie Place"; and

WHEREAS, the other property owners adjoining said Asbury Place have given their consent to the name change; and

WHEREAS, the Salisbury Charter SC11-2 gives the City charge of all public ways in the City of Salisbury; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salisbury Department of Public Works has determined that there are no existing street names in the City of Salisbury or Wicomico County that are the same as or similar to "Makemie Place" and that there are no improvements fronting Asbury Place or properties that utilize Asbury Place as a mailing address and therefore supports the name change;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:

1. That for the purposes and reasons hereinabove set forth, the name of present "Asbury Place" extending northerly from Broad Street to its terminus be, and hereby is, changed to "Makemie Place".

2. This Ordinance shall take effect from the date of its final passage.

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced and read at a meeting of the Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland held on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2009, and thereafter, a statement of the substance of the Ordinance having been published as required by law, in the meantime, was finally passed by the Council on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2009.

Brenda J. Colegrove **City Clerk** 

Louise Smith

President of the City Council of the City of Salisbury

Approved by me this 30th day of September, 2009.

James keton, Jr.

Mayor of the City of Salisbury

### July 12, 2009



A Team of Teams Making a Difference! Memorandum for City Administrator

Subject: Proposed Street Name Change of Asbury Place to Makemie Place

**Purpose.** To provide information to the City Council regarding a request by the Wicomico Presbyterian Church to change the name of Asbury Place to Makemie Place.

Bottom Line Upfront Recommendation: | recommend City Council approval of the attached ordinance.

### **Discussion.**

- The request by the Wicomico Presbyterian Church for the name change is for historical reasons. (see attached letter of request)
- The other property owners adjoining Asbury Place have given their consent to the name change. (see attached consent letters)
- The Department of Public Works has determined that there are no streets in the City or County with a name similar to "Makemie Place". There are no improvements fronting Asbury Place or properties that utilize Asbury Place as a mailing address, thereby avoiding 911 address changes.

Unless you or the Mayor have further questions, please forward this memorandum to the City Council. For any additional questions you may have, I can be reached at (410) 548-3170 or by e-mail at <u>cmessick@ci.salisbury.md.us</u>.

Sincerely,

Newell W. Messick, P.E.

Acting Director of Public Works

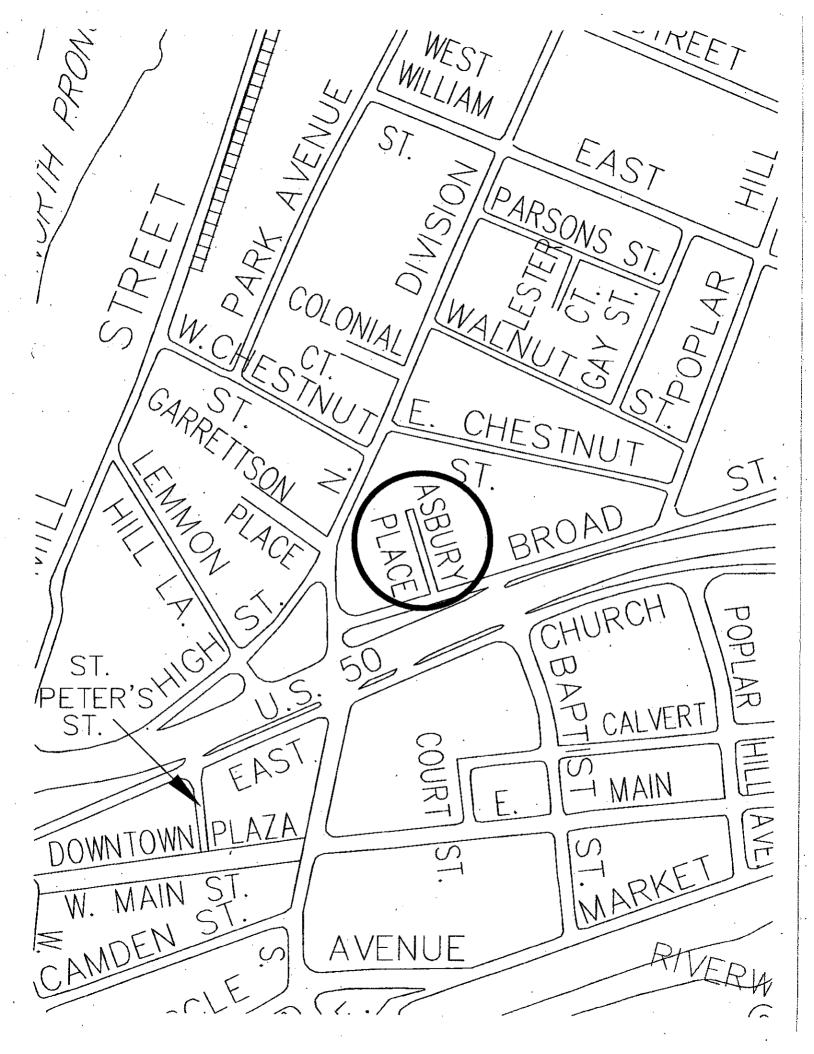
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# The Wicomico Presbyterian Church



129 Broad Street

Salisbury, Maryland 218( (410) 749-579

June 24, 2009

John Pick City Administrator City of Salisbury 125 N. Division Street Salisbury, Maryland 21801

> Re: Request to Salisbury City Council to change the name of a public street "Asbury Place" to "Makemie Place"

Dear Mr. Pick:

On behalf of the congregation of the Wicomico Presbyterian Church located at 129 Broad Street in Salisbury, this is to request consideration by the Salisbury City Council of our proposal to change the name of a nineteen foot wide public street known as Asbury Place, which runs from the northerly side of Broad Street approximately 250 feet in length between the property of the Church and property of the law firm of Webb, Burnett, Cornbrooks, Wilber, Vorhis, Douse & Mason, LLP,

Based upon available information, the name Asbury Place was derived from its use as a rear entrance to the property of the Methodist Church on North Division Street built in 1887 to replace the original Methodist church burned in the fire of 1886, the name of which church was subsequently changed by an act of the Maryland Legislature in 1918 to Asbury Methodist Church in honor of Bishop Francis Asbury. Fellowship Hall adjoining the original sanctuary facing North Division Street was started in 1924 and completed in 1928.

In 1963 the Asbury congregation relocated to a new location on Camden Avenue near Salisbury University and sold the former Asbury Church sanctuary on North Division to Faith Community Church and the adjoining Fellowship Hall building to Allen Memorial Baptist Church.

In 2007 when the Walter Kendall Allen Memorial Baptist Church relocated to Snow Hill Road, the former Fellowship Hall was purchased by Wicomico Presbyterian Church and the former Allen Memorial Baptist Church sanctuary on the corner of N. Division and Chestnut Street was acquired by the Korean Presbyterian Church of Salisbury.

The Fellowship Hall structure, now owned and occupied by Wicomico Presbyterian Church, has been renamed as the Langeler Memorial Building with the first floor renamed as Makemie Hall in recognition of the Reverend Francis Makemie, a Presbyterian missionary from Ireland who established the first congregations of the Presbyterian Church in what was then Somerset County. The original churches included the congregation located in what is now in Wicomico County which has been a continuous congregation since 1683, and moved from a location off the Wicomico River to Salisbury and erected the original section of the present brick church in 1859.

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We respectfully submit that renaming this street as "Makemie Place" would be appropriate both historically and complementary to its present use. There are no longer any improvements fronting on this street and no properties utilizing Asbury Place as a mailing address, avoiding any change of a 911 address.

It is my understanding that an ordinance may be required to accomplish a name change. We will be glad to assist in this process or if desirable will appear before the Council in support of this request.

We appreciate your cooperation and assistance in the consideration of this change.

Sincerely.

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George H. White

c: K. King Burnett, Esquire

The Reverend Dr. Donald M. Rising, Pastor Dr. Nevins W. Todd, Chair/Langeler Memorial Building Committee WEBB, BURNETT, CORNBROOKS,

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May 29, 2009

Mayor James Ireton Office of the Mayor 125 N. Division Street, Room 304 Salisbury, MD 21801-4940

Salisbury City Council 125 N. Division Street Salisbury, MD 21801

Dear Mayor Ireton and City Council Members:

I am writing on behalf of our law firm to confirm that we have no objection to the proposed change of name of the public street or alley adjacent to our law offices from "Asbury Place" to "Makemie Place". We have read with interest George White's letter on behalf of the Presbyterian Church to Mr. Pick dated May 12, 2009 and commend the efforts of the Presbyterian Church to renovate Fellowship Hall. We appreciate as well their stewardship of the historically important and prominent church complex on Broad Street. Their efforts are in the community's interest, and the renaming of the street certainly appears to us to be appropriate to their efforts and identity, and in the public interest.

Sincerely yours,

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K. King Burnett

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cc:

George H. White, Esquire



## 솔즈베리 한인장로고회 The Korean Presbyterian Church of Salisbury

231 North Division St., Salisbury, Maryland 21801 Tel: (410) 860 - 2229

July 23, 2009

John R. Pick City Administrator City of Salisbury 125 N. Division St. Salisbury, Md 21801

> Re: Request of Wicomico Presbyterian Church for change the name of a public street "Asbury Place" to "Makemie Place"

Dear Mr. Pick:

On behalf of the Korean Presbyterian Church of Salisbury, please be advised that our congregation has no objection to the recent request of Wicomico Presbyterian Church to the City of Salisbury to rename the small street or alley new known as "Asbury Place" to "Makemie Place"

Thank you for your consideration of our interest.

Sincerely, 7 S

Rev. Dong Yung Kim, Pastor

The Korean Presbyterian Church of Salisbury 231 North Division Street Salisbury, MD 21801

c Mr. George H. White