## About Us

## Narrative

Resurrection & New Life Fellowship is formed exclusively for charitable, religious, ecclesiastical, educational, and community based outreach service organization, including, a mental health service provider by promoting mental health, preventing mental disorders and achieving victory over mental illnesses through advocacy, education, research and service. the mission of this fellowship is to establish a world outreaching trans-denominational Christian Fellowship, which recognizes the entire Holy Bible, properly interpreted, as the Word of God educates the public about peace, alternatives to militarism, and non-violent conflict resolution through regular program meetings, a book club, movies, dramatic presentations and a variety of other means with activities as: Specifically, the following programs and or activities highlights the mission of this fellowship.

- 1. Religious: Resurrection & New Life Fellowship is run entirely by volunteers. RNLF's office and meeting space, located at 7569 E. Industrial Dr., Baton Rouge, LA 70805 is open to the public on during posted hours identified in its literature. The Church has humble beginnings in a Prayer Band and were officially incorporated on September 8, 1993. Resurrection & New Life Fellowship was incorporated in the State of LA with the proposed chartered purposes:
  - a. To be a Bible Believing, Bible Teaching, Healing Place for Hurting People Ministry".
  - b. To engage in any lawful enterprise which will alleviate the burden of the world's poor; To provide a local fellowship of believers in which God-given ministries can operate without fear, namely, Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors and Teachers as recorded in Ephesians 4:11-13:
  - c. To use and operate any and all communication facilities, to effectuate the church's goals; And to build and operate schools, hospitals, distribution centers, and various social service facilities, such as: crisis centers, rehabilitation centers, battered women and or men shelters, feeding, housing and clothing programs for the less fortunate.
    - d. And/or participate in any other legal function deemed necessary. Specifically, the following programs and or activities highlights the mission of this fellowship.
    - Bible Doctrinal Training
    - Leadership Training and Development
    - Discipleship Training and Evangelism
    - TEAM Evangelism (door to door, and Street witnessing)
    - Women on Call —Women's Ministry
    - RNLF Men of "Faith"—Men's Ministry
    - Prison/ Nursing Home Ministry
    - Youth Ministry
    - Children's Church
    - Various Prayer Groups
    - Teen Ministry
    - Single's Fellowship
- 2. Ecclesiastical Parent organization: Establishment of a Christian Alliance for proclaiming the Gospel, i.e. "Evangelical Christian Alliance." As a parent organization, planned activities includes acting as a "fiduciary," or trustee, for the new churches or existing ones, and for individuals seeking ministerial credentialing. Additional planned activities include:
  - Develop and foster a continuous Spiritual Fellowship among men and women of the gospel.
  - Provide assistance to aid in development, start or growth of those who may be involved in church planting as needs are identified.

- Provide material/information to assist ministers/leaders in their training or education.
- Provide Credentials to prospective ministers who wish to be Non-Denominational
- Help the Poor and Needy, sponsor minister and missionaries to/in foreign countries.
- Assist in Ministerial Family Intervention Programs, assist in disaster relief efforts, and hardships that sometimes occur in the work of the ministry.
- 3. Enhancing Mental Health Services Delivery: It is well document in the literature, how the mental health needs of African Americans are not being met due to their reluctance to seek mental health counseling services. Since the church remains an essential part of African American culture via it's integral role in the sociopolitical, economic and psychological life of the African American community, as it continue to serve as an informal social service provider. This fellowship plans to serve as a metal health service provider, i.e. "RNLF Counseling Services."

Our present and future planned activities via clinical and non-clinical psychotherapy and counseling services via pastoral counseling, critical pastoral care, and certified and licensed mental health service providers:

- addressing marital quality and stability, pre-marital education,
- work with agencies to prevent prisoner reentry, recidivism,
- increasing personal wellness, age and stage related issues;
- family and relationship issues; trauma and crisis;
- incidence reduction and counseling related to medical conditions, depression, anxiety disorders, health and wellness; career, and religious and spiritual concerns,
- 4. Charitable Choice: Lastly, although funding opportunities has prevented the admission of many service based programs over the years of its existence, but because this fellowship is located in, a community mired in poverty who tend to underutilize traditional services. Resurrection & New Life Fellowship plan to continue offering Faith-Based Initiatives and or community advocacy prevention programs aimed at find creative ways to collaborate with diverse partners while maintaining the integrity of our mission, in hopes of making investments in people's lives with long-term outcomes in mind. Additional planned activities include:
  - Participate in Social Services Programs such as Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP).
  - Participant in Community Economic and Housing Development projects by providing temporary, transitional and permanent housing.
  - Be involved in Community Organizing and Charitable Choice based programs and funding opportunities.
  - Other planned activities for this fellowship hopes to operate or administer include opening daycare facilities, opening schools, starting youth-build community based programs.
  - Education: provide services such as after-school care, reducing risky behaviors in adolescents and children, such as spiritual mentoring and turning points prevention programs, tutoring, and physical education, marriages, and parenthood.
  - Is also in the plans of this fellowship to have an applied ethics center, with the goal of assisting other faith-based and community organizations to increase their effectiveness, enhance their ability to provide social services, expand their organizations, diversify their funding sources, and create collaborations to better serve those most in need.

## In conclusion:

In accord with the qualifications set forth in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, this fellowship affirms that it is organized and operate exclusively for charitable, and or religious purposes, furthermore this fellowship don't use questionable techniques in the advancement of its religious and or

educational programs. In addition, Resurrection & New Life Fellowship websites, i.e. "www.resurrectionnewlifefellowship" or "www.rnlfcounselingsvs.net") features contact information, announcements about upcoming community related events, guidance for volunteers and donors, and links to other resources to help in times of need. There is no advertising on the websites.

Resurrection & New Life Fellowship is distinguishable from the organization described in Revenue Ruling 75-384, 1975-2 C.B. 204. RNLF does not plan, sponsor or otherwise encourage violations of local ordinances, breaches of public order or illegal activities.