

## Commentary — From the Margins *Farr, Farr Away*

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The above seven (7) articles conclude the by-laws of The Philadelphia Church - Stonefort. This document shall not be amended. An apparent error or omission in this document shall be referred to the authority of Holy Writ for clarification-nothing in this document shall be construed to be in conflict with the Word of God. The will of God the Father and Christ Jesus shall prevail at all times and in all things. Amen.

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<http://web.archive.org/web/20030808085711/www.thephiladelphiachurch-stonefort.org/Constitution.htm>

The above six (6) articles conclude the by-laws of The Philadelphia Church - Stonefort. An apparent error or omission in this document shall be referred to the authority of Holy Writ for clarification-nothing in this document shall be construed to be in conflict with the Word of God. The will of God the Father and Christ Jesus shall prevail at all times and in all things. Amen.

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What happened? In July 2003, there were seven (7) Articles in the unamendable Constitution of The Philadelphia Church – Stonefort, but in December of the same year, there are only six (6) Articles. Obviously, a foundational document that was not to be amended was edited by Pastor Bob Farr, an edit that took Farr away from *The Philadelphia Church*, an association of fully autonomous fellowships, linked together by shared beliefs and by the incorporation of *The Philadelphia Church's* Constitution into the foundation documents of associated fellowships.

To this day, *The Philadelphia Church's* Constitution reads as Stonefort's Constitution read on July 16, 2003, when Google archived the fellowship's website. What changed is that the fellowship at Stonefort, Illinois, under Pastor Bob Farr left the association forming *The Philadelphia Church* when he chose to reject the basis for association. This he was free to do: the Stonefort fellowship was free to sever its association with *The Philadelphia Church* at any time.

The irony is that when Pastor Farr decided to move his Stonefort fellowship out from under the umbrella of *The Philadelphia Church*—and there can be no mistaking that Farr left the association, the association did not leave Farr—he also decided to “disfellowship” a founding member of *The Philadelphia Church* who did not change doctrinal positions to agree with his new views. This is truly a case of the tail attempting to wag the dog.

Before proceeding farther: does any of this matter in the real world, if any such world can be shown to exist? No, it does not. It only matters in that Farr's disfellowshipping statement continues to be prominently displayed on Stonefort's website, and because it does, it must be addressed sooner or later to answer questions Farr's statement raises.

The following is from *Ambassador Watch*, April 2005, Issue 60, at the URL:

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04 April. KIZER CHIPPED OFF STONEFORT BLOCK, UNLEAVENED BREAD  
Kizer cut loose: The following announcement appears on the [Philadelphia Church - Stonefort](#) website:

As of February 23, 2005 Pastor Bob Farr and The Philadelphia Church Stonefort, have revoked Homer Kizer's license to preach and his Deaconship at The Philadelphia Church Stonefort. And we also have Dis-Fellowshipped him in full compliance with Matthew Chapter 18, for MAJOR DOCTRINAL DIFFERENCES. We have asked him to remove all references to The Philadelphia Church Stonefort and Pastor Bob Farr from, Homer Kizer Ministries.org, Repairing the Breach.com, [The Philadelphia Church.org](#) and The Philadelphia Church Bedford and any other writings, web sites or web pages not yet found. He is not authorized to represent our beliefs. He is not affiliated with us in any way.

Stonefort is a sect which also observes the New Moons. Homer Kizer has been an outspoken critic of Norman Edward's management of the now defunct Sabbatarian Community project in Port Austin.

The following is the posted reply, located at the URL, dated April 05, 2005:

<http://web.archive.org/web/20050406123359/http://www.ambassadorwatch.co.nz/>

You heard it here first: AW readers were not the only ones to hear about Homer Kizer's defrocking and disfellowship here on AW. Homer found out from us too! The Kizers were under the impression that negotiations with the Stonefort group were still proceeding. Homer Kizer issued a press release earlier today.

The Philadelphia Church, an association of fully autonomous fellowships united through doctrinal beliefs and shared bylaws, regretfully announces that its founding fellowship at Stonefort, Illinois, has opted to sever its relationship with the parent organization, and with Homer Kizer. Stonefort's pastor, Bob Farr, no longer finds Scriptural support for a second Passover, for the Azazel goat representing the glorified Christ Jesus bearing the sins of disciples, or for wine being used as a Passover sacrament. These doctrinal differences have developed since Pastor Farr rewrote Stonefort's bylaws in October 2003. They have intensified as The Philadelphia Church added additional fellowships that did not support Pastor Farr's theological positioning. Therefore, with Pastor Farr making this theological schism public, The Philadelphia Church today ends its hope of reconciliation with Pastor Farr. The Philadelphia Church welcomes inquiries concerning the association's doctrinal beliefs. Questions should be directed to the association's website: <http://thephiladelphiachurch.org>

What more is there to be said? Really nothing. Pastor Farr removed himself and his fellowship at Stonefort from *The Philadelphia Church's* theological umbrella now three years ago, but apparently he cannot let go of his hubris that would have him dictating to *The Philadelphia Church* its beliefs, which he is very likely to change whenever the whim strikes him; for if he would not honor foundational documents with which and to which he agreed in July of 2003 for even six months, he is not likely to remain long anywhere theologically. He is a reed blown about by most every wind of doctrine, unstable in all he teaches.

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