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Renewing the Mind Bible Church, Incorporated

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check in the amount of \$87.50 for filing fee, certified copy and certificate.

From: Fred L. Ervin

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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF RENEWING THE MIND BIBLE CHURCH, INCORPORATION 15 AM 8: 39

#### ARTICLE I NAME

SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE FLORIDA

The name of the corporation shall be Renewing the Mind Bible Church Incorporated.

#### ARTICLE II PRINCIPLE OFFICE

The principle place of business shall be 5505 Spring Lake Drive, Lakeland, Florida 33811 and mailing address of this corporation shall be Post Office Box 92218 Lakeland, Florida 33804-2218.

#### ARTICLE III PURPOSE

- 1. The purpose for which this church is formed is to corporately and publicly worship, praise, glorify, and give thanks to the Trinity God, (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit); to provide hope, encouragement, and healing to individuals and families; and to promote evangelism at home and abroad.
- 2. Renewing the Mind Bible Church is not affiliated with a denomination. It is our purpose to be unhampered by the restrictions and decisions of other churches or denominations that would determine the ministry and message of our church.
- 3. Since we believe that the Bible is God's holy and inspired word, it is our purpose to draw from the Scriptures the principles that determine our beliefs and practices. As the name implies, we believe that God's word provides directions and hope and we will use His word as our map to better living, better relationships and better families.
- 4. It is our purpose to meet frequently for worship, instruction, fellowship, and outreach in accordance with Acts 2:42. The message we declare to young and old alike is based upon a literal, grammatical, and historical interpretation of the entire Bible. We proclaim the truths of the Bible, being confident that God is glorified and man's needs are met when God's truths are presented and obeyed.
- 5. We further believe that a great commitment to the great commandment and the great commission will grow a great church. In keeping with Acts 2:42, this church has five major areas through which it fulfills it mission in the world.
  - A. Worship: its primary goal is expressing to God the worth due His name.

B. Ministry: meeting the needs of individuals and families with love.

- C. Evangelism: touching as many individuals as we can with the love of Christ and the salvation He offers by using God's timeless word as our standard of truth.
- **D.** Fellowship: designed to promote the international caring and sharing of God's people one to another as an outgrowth of their fellowship with God.

E. Discipleship: promotes learning among God's people and an obedient response to His word.

#### ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION

#### A. Nomination of Trustees

Prior to the annual church business meeting, nominations of men to be considered for the office of Trustee shall be solicited from the congregation and from the Board. The Board shall have the responsibility of assessing the qualifications of each prospective candidate, make selections, and training the men chosen.

#### B. Appointment of Trustees

Upon the successful completion of the Trustee's training program, each nominee will be presented to the Board for approval of a qualified candidate for the office of Trustee. Upon two-thirds vote of the Board, a quorum being present, each qualified candidate shall be presented before the congregation.

#### C. Affirmation of Trustees

The members of the congregation shall have a specified period of time to bring forward any cause for denial of office, be it unfitness or other cause that would prevent a candidate from faithfully serving in the office of Trustee. After the specified time period, the candidate shall be presented to the congregation for their affirmation.

ARTICLE V INITIAL TRUSTEES
Fred L. Ervin
3706 Hileman Drive South
Lakeland, Florida 33810

Desmore Peters 5505 Spring Lake Drive Lakeland, Florida 33811

Marvin Williams 932 East Lowell Avenue Lakeland, Florida 33805

### ARITICLE VI INTIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is Desmore Peters, 5505 Spring Lake Drive, Lakeland, Florida 33811.

#### ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is Fred L. Ervin, 3706 Hileman Drive South, Lakeland, Florida 33810.

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

Signature/Registered Agent

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Fred L Envi Signature/Incorporator Date

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