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Articles of Incorporation

Of

MT MORIAH FAITH DELIVERANCE HOLINESS CHURCH, INC. (A Florida Corporation Not for Profit)

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the nonprofit laws of the State of Florida, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

#### Article I

Corporate Name

The name of the Corporation is: Mt Moriah Faith Deliverance Holiness Church, Inc.

#### Article II

Duration

The period of duration of the Corporation is perpetual, unless dissolved according to law. Corporate existence shall commence upon the filing of these Articles of Incorporation.

## Article III

#### Corporate Purposes: Powers

The corporation is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, religious, eleemosynary, educational and scientific purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any superseding statute thereto, and such purposes shall include the following:

- (a) Religious.
- (b) Ministering the Word of God to the faithful, without constituting a religious denomination.
- (c) Promoting and encouraging, through the ministry of the organization, incorporation with other organizations, ministering within the community.
- (d) Acquiring and holding such property, either real or personal, as may be appropriate to the tax exempt and nonprofit needs of the Corporation.

- (e) Disseminating the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the Word of God, to the end that people may be evangelized and believers may be conformed to the image of Jesus Christ to regularly assemble for fellowship to worship God in Spirit and in truth and to cooperate in the building up of the whole body of Christ.
- (f) Providing basic Biblical Principles discipleship to all who are approved for this purpose by the Corporation.
- (g) Spreading the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ through the preaching and teaching of the Bible to bring the unsaved to Christ, and building up the saved in Christian grace and living.
- (h) Establishing a covenant ministry based upon acceptance of and conformity to the belief of the Corporation.
- (i) Sending forth home and foreign missionaries to the spreading of the Gospel of God throughout the world.
- (j) Printing, publishing, distributing and selling books, magazines, and other literature in connection with the purposes of the Corporation; selling, recording and reproducing tapes, radio and television programs in connection with the purposes of the Corporation; producing and distributing radio and television programs.
- (k) Owning and operating radio and television stations for the purpose of dissemination of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through word and music.
- (l) Carrying on charitable work for:

- 1. The poor and lost such as:
  - a. Feeding the Hungry, Soup, Kitchen, Food Pantry, Clothes Closet, and sheltering the Homeless;
  - b. Prison Ministry:
  - c. Sick and Shut -in Ministry;
  - d. Care for and assist the handicapped individuals;
  - e. The mentally disturbed;
  - f. Senior Citizens.
- (m) Establishing and maintaining a counseling service and providing access to such counseling service by virtue of telephonic communication.
- (n) Receiving tithes, offerings, and property by gift devise or bequest subject to the laws relating to the transfer of property by gift or will.
- (o) Employing qualified counsel and other necessary personnel to carry out the purposes of the Corporation.

- (p) Furthering all charitable, religious, eleemosynary, educational and scientific work and for such purposes to adopt and establish bylaws, rules and regulations in accordance with the law and not inconsistent with the Articles of Incorporation.
- (q) Operating under the name as set forth in Article I above; adopting and assuming names in the furtherance of its nonprofit, tax exempt purposes; exercising such other and incidental powers as may reasonably be necessary to carry out the purposes for which the Corporation is established, provided that such incidental powers shall be exercised in a manner consistent with its tax exempt status as a religious organization as set forth in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended, of the United States of America.
- (r) To do all things allowed and permitted to do under the laws of the State of Florida and the Florida Not For- Profit Corporation Code.
- 2. As a means of accomplishing the above purposes and methods, the Corporation shall have the following powers:
- (a) To receive and accept gifts of money and property and to hold the same for any of the purposes of the Corporation and its work.
- (b) To raise and assist in raising funds for the purposes herein set forth, including the issuance of bonds or other instruments of credit.
- (c) To acquire, own, lease, mortgage and dispose of property, both real and personal.
- (d) To conduct and carry on charitable, religious eleemosynary, educational and scientific information, teachings and ministering through the public media, including print media, electronic broadcasting, AM and FM radio, telecasting, microwave distribution, closed circuit transmission, and cable television, but not limited to.
- (e) To accept property and donations in trust for charitable, religious, eleemosynary, educational or scientific purposes.
- (f) To acquire, hold, own, sell assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, or otherwise dispose of shares of the capital stocks, bonds, obligations or other securities of other corporations, domestic, or foreign, as investments or otherwise, in carrying out any of the purposes of the Corporation and, while the owner thereof, to exercise all rights, powers and privileges of ownership, including the power to vote thereon.

- (g) To license, ordain, and set forth ministers, pastors, evangelists, missionaries, deacons, singers, and musicians in the ministry to provide training, counseling and education services necessary for the ministry, provided they complete an appropriate training program as may be recommended or overseen by the Corporation.
- (h) To affiliate with and establish ministries and schools.

In the conduct of the affairs of the Corporation:

- (a) The property of the Corporation is irrevocably dedicated to charitable, religious, eleemosynary, educational and scientific purposes, and no part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefits of or be distributable to its members, directors, officers or other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered to it and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in this Article.
- (b) No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation; nor shall it in any manner or to any extent participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office; nor shall the Corporation engage in any activities that are unlawful under applicable federal, state or local laws.

## (c) The Corporation shall not:

- (1) operate for the purpose of carrying on a trade or business for profit.
- (2) accumulate income, invest income, or divert income, in a manner endangering its exempt status; or
- (3) except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activity or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of the Corporation.
- (d) The Corporation's operations are to be conducted principally in the United States of America; the Corporation also may conduct operations in foreign countries, subject, however, to the laws of the State of Florida.

## Article IV

## Registered Office and Agent

The initial street address and mailing address of the principal office and registered office of the Corporation is:

Church address: Hwy 41 North, Lake City, Fl 32055

Mailing address: 1002 Kearney Drive, Pensacola, Florida 32505

And the initial registered agent of the Corporation at such address is Pastor Yvette Lindsey-Smith.

## <u>Article V</u>

Management of Corporate Affairs

The powers of the Corporation shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and the business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed under the direction of a Board of Directors which shall have five (3) directors initially. The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time to time by a majority of the directors, but at no time shall there be fewer than three (3) directors of the Corporation.

## Article VI

#### Initial Directors

The manner in which the Directors of the Corporation shall be elected or appointed shall be governed by the provisions of the Bylaws of the Corporation. The names and addresses of the initial directors of the Corporation are:

#### <u>Name</u>

#### Street Address

Pastor Yvette L. Lindsey-Smith Elder Willie James Johnson Mary C. Lindsey-Boutwell Victor D. Lindsey Sr. 1002 Kearney Drive, Pensacola, Fl 32505 8669 NW 34 Loop, Jasper, Florida 32052 1002 Kearney Drive, Pensacola, Fl 32505 4502 Charmonte Way, Pensacola, Fl 32505

## Article VII

## Corporate Nature

The Corporation is organized as an non-stock corporation.

#### Article VIII

#### Members

The Corporation shall have members and they shall be admitted and qualified in accordance with the bylaws adopted by the Board of Directors. The condition and regulations of membership/fellowship and the rights and other privileges of membership/fellowship shall be determined by the bylaws of the Corporation.

# Article IX

#### Amendments

Amendments to these Articles of Incorporation may be adopted by a majority of the directors in the manner set forth in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

#### Article X

# Incorporator

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Pastor Yvette L. Lindsey-Smith 1002 Kearney Drive Pensacola, Florida 32505

## Article XI

## Miscellaneous

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on:

- (1) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States internal revenue law) or,
- (2) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States internal revenue law).
- (b) In the event of the dissolution of the Corporation, or in the event it shall cease to carry out the objects and purposes herein set forth, all of the business, property and assets of the Corporation shall go and be distributed to an nonprofit corporation qualifying as an organization exempt under the provisions of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any superseding statue thereof, and as an organization qualifying as a public charity under the provisions of Section 509 (a) (1) or 509 (a) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any superseding statue thereof, as the Directors of the corporation may select and designate; and in no event shall any of the assets or property, in the event of dissolution thereof, go or be distributed or contributed by such trustees, for any other such purpose. Any of the such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the District Court of the County in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes, or to such organization or organizations as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the incorporator and registered agent herein above named, does hereby further certify that the facts herein above stated are truly set forth and accordingly has hereunto set her hand this 1st day of September 2003

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 Date Yuette L. Smith 9/1/03
Signature/Incorporator Date Yuette L. Smith 9/1/03