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# GREATER SHALLOW MISSIONARY BIBLE CHURCH: INCORPORATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Comes now the Rev. James D. Bush and Betty Mae Bush, citizens of the State of Florida and make application for a Charter of Incorporation for the purpose and upon the terms by the names herein stated, under the provisions of an Act of Legislation by the State of Florida for Non-Profit Corporations, and any supplement thereto, the applicants do hereby set forth and declare:

The name of this Incorporation shall be the Greater Shallow Missionary Bible Church, Incorporated.

The address of the proposed registered/principal office of this corporation shall be; 608 East Seventh Street, Panama City, Florida 32401, and the name of the initial registered agent at said address is Rev. James D. Bush.

The purpose of the proposed corporation is as follows:

That this corporation is found and formed as an organization to promote the missionary enterprises of the Christian Church, whereas we believe that when the Church has lost its impulse to propagate itself by carrying the gospel of our Lord and Saviour, the unique distinction of the function of the church and its message will be gone.

Further, this corporation proposes to build places of assembly and worship in various localities to promote unity and humanity in their entirety, and to nurture the spiritual, physical, and psychological growth of its parishioners. As we believe, the voice of the whole people, oppressed by a common injustice, is far more likely to command attention and exert and influence on the public mind, than the voice of any single individual or isolated organization.

That for clear understanding, the Board of Incorporators herein named shall not have its duties confounded or confused with the local Board of Trustees of any of churches, nor the Trustee Boards of any of its societies, auxiliaries, or departments such as may be created from time to time, or in any of its unamended portions of its duties of said named church, it being that the Holy Bible and/or the Divine Word of God being the supreme law of this corporation, subject only to the laws of the State of Florida and of the United States of America.

The other and further powers and purposes of the Greater Shallow Missionary Bible Church, Incorporated, hereinafter which may be referred to as "church" is as follows:

### ARTICLE I

To be a non-profit corporation as prescribed by Section 501© (3) and subsequent amendments, of the Internal Revenue Code, United States of America.

# ARTICLE II

To organize, administrate and conduct religious, missionary and educational services, activities and projects.

# ARTICLE III

To direct, supervise, moderate, oversee, protect and preserve the spiritual and fiscal matters and affairs of said church and organization.

# ARTICLE IV

To delegate such activities, operations, and duties respecting the financial and budgetary affairs of the church of its Trustees, subject to the approval of the Board of Incorporators.

# ARTICLE V

To hold in trust all real, personal, and mixed property interest and rights of the church, whether general or local in character, or titled in any department, society, agency, auxiliary or board.

### ARTICLE VI

The fiscal affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of Trustees, which shall consist of at least three trustees. The number of trustees may be increased or decreased from time to time as provided by an amendment to the by-laws, provided however, said board shall never have less than three trustees.

# ARTICLE VII

The trustees shall be elected annually by the members of the church and its annual election of officers as provided by the by-laws of said church. The trustees of this corporation shall be members of the church and at least eighteen years of age, having the rights and duties of directors as provided for under Chapter 607 of the Florida Statues, provided that these duties may be expanded or restricted by the Constitution and By-Laws of the church. The initial names and addresses of the Board of Trustees of this church shall be:

- Rev. James D. Bush- 608 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Panama City, Florida 32401
   Mr. Atwood C. Bright- 608 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Panama City, Florida 32401
- 3. Ms. Tyisha Y. Anthony- 822 Premier Drive, Panama City, Florida 32401

# ARTICLE VIII

The Board of Trustees is the legal representatives of the church and has the right to protect itself through selection, designation and retention of General Counsel for the church, which shall be competent to represent it in furtherance of its duties, wherein the property rights and other interests of the church shall be protected.

# ARTICLE IX

This corporation, by its Board of Trustees, shall hold in trust, all bequests, gifts, grants, donations and funds that may from time to time be given to the Greater Shallow Missionary Bible Church, Incorporated, or its trustees and/or incorporators for the benefit of persons, congregations, departments, auxiliaries, societies, and boards of the church. It is further understood that said corporation herein, shall not be required to accept any property, gift, grant, donation or funds which are not in harmony with the purposes and/or intent of the church.

# ARTICLE X

No personal or real property, moveable or immoveable, mixed, corporeal or incorporeal, nor any other thing of value, held by or under the jurisdiction of the corporation, shall be sold, donated, mortgaged, conveyed, transferred, abandoned and/or encumbered upon, without the approval of the Board of Trustees and the Board of Incorporators of said church.

# ARTICLE XI

The church in its Constitution and By-Laws, may from time to time in all particulars, have power to elect and ordain qualified officers to regulate and manage the affairs of the corporation, both religious and temporal; members and the rights thereof; the power to amend these Articles of Incorporation; to require funds of its members for the purpose of expansion and management, and to do everything possible to consummate the purpose of this corporation.

# **ARTICLE XII**

This incorporation shall have perpetual existence. The names and addresses of the original and initial Incorporators are as follows:

- Rev. James D. Bush- 608 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Panama City, Florida 32401
   Mr. Atwood C. Bright- 608 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Panama City, Florida 32401
- 3. Ms. Tyisha Y. Anthony- 822 Premier Drive, Panama City, Florida 32401

I am hereby familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as registered agent for said corporation.

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Witness my hand and seal in the January, 2004.	state and county aforesaid this 23 nd day of
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	ARTHUR E. CUTLER  MY COMMISSION # DD 188878  EXPIRES: December 2, 2006
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