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OF WAUCHULA, FLORIDA, INC.

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SUBJECT: FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF WAUCHULA, FLORIDA,
INC.
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We have received your document for FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF WAUCHULA, FLORIDA, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$122.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

Section 617.0202(d), Florida Statutes, requires the manner in which directors are elected or appointed be contained in the articles of incorporation. A statement making reference to the bylaws is acceptable.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF WAUCHULA, FLORIDA, INC.
a Florida Not For Profit Corporation

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The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a corporation under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE ONE
NAME

The name of the corporation is FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF WAUCHULA, FLORIDA, INC.

ARTICLE TWO
DURATION

The term of existence of the corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE THREE
PURPOSE

The corporation is organized for the purposes set forth in The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church ("the Discipline") or as may hereafter be amended from time to time, including:

(a) The promotion of the Christian religion through the preaching of the Word of God and the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the administration of the sacraments, ordinances, and other means of grace, the maintenance of worship, the edification of believers, the evangelization of the world, and the promotion of missionary and benevolence causes.

(b) Receiving, administering, holding, investing , and disbursing gifts, bequests, devises and funds arising from all sources.

(c) Acquiring, owning, leasing, maintaining or otherwise holding interest in real and personal property.

(d) Doing any and all things necessary or incident to the accomplishment of such purposes, and transacting any and all lawful business for which corporations may be incorporated under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, and any amendments thereto.

(e) All of the above purposes shall be carried out or performed in accordance with the Doctrines, Laws, Usages, Discipline, and Ministerial appointments of the United Methodist Church.

ARTICLE FOUR PRINCIPAL OFFICE/MAILING ADDRESS

The principal office of the corporation is located at and mailing address of the corporation is 207 North 7th Avenue, Wauchula, Florida 33873.

ARTICLE FIVE REGISTERED OFFICE

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 501 West Main Street, Wauchula, Florida, and the name of the initial registered agent at that address is JOHN W. H. BURTON.

ARTICLE SIX INITIAL DIRECTORS (TRUSTEES)

(a) The initial Board of Directors (Trustees) of the corporation shall consist of nine (9) members.

(2) The names and addresses of the first officers and Board of Directors are:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>OFFICE</u>
Ida Mary Spears	Route 1, Box 117-F College Hill Road Bowling Green, FL 33834	Director/ Chairman/ President

Carolyn J. Coker	807 A. Carlton Road Wauchula, FL 33873	Director/ Secretary
Jean B. Burton	809 W. Palmetto Street Wauchula, FL 33873	Director/ Treasurer
Roy L. Petteway	Route 2, Box 364-A Petteway Road NE Wauchula, FL 33873	Director/ Vice Chairman/ Vice-President
Wayne L. Warren	Route 1, Box 23 Sasser Road Wauchula, FL 33873	Director
Charles C. Heath	1095 Knollwood Circle Wauchula, FL 33873	Director
Dr. Elver M. Hodges	Rt. 3, 1540 Highway 64W Wauchula, FL 33873	Director
Joseph S. Guy	Route 2, Box 219 CR 636 Wauchula, FL 33873	Director
Laurie L. Linder	217 Pennsylvania Ave. Wauchula, FL 33873	Director

(b) The Board of Directors (Trustees) of the corporation shall be elected as set forth in the By-Laws of the corporation.

ARTICLE SEVEN SUPPORT OF DOCTRINE/CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

(a) The corporation shall support the Doctrine of The United Methodist Church and it and all its property, both real and personal, shall be subject to the Discipline, Laws, Usages, and Ministerial appointments of The United Methodist Church as are now or shall be, from time to time, established, made, and declared by the lawful authority of said church.

(b) The business of this corporation shall be conducted in conformity with the Discipline of The United Methodist Church as the same now exists or as may

hereafter be amended, changed or modified, and the bylaws of the corporation shall include the Discipline of The United Methodist Church and no bylaws shall be adopted inconsistent with said Discipline.

ARTICLE EIGHT CORPORATE POWERS

Subject to and in conformity with the Discipline of The United Methodist Church, the corporation shall have the power to:

(a) Receive, acquire, and hold title, in trust or otherwise, to real and personal property, and to improve, encumber, lease, sell, convey, and dispose of all such property; and

(b) Erect and maintain buildings for the worship of God, for the training in Christian faith and conduct, and for Christian social intercourse, and to purchase, lease, and/or rent and otherwise acquire or build and maintain residences for the use and occupancy of its ministers.

In addition to the powers and duties granted to this corporation by the Discipline of The United Methodist Church, the corporation assumes for itself all the rights, privileges and immunities which are now, and which may during the existence thereof be conferred by law upon corporations with a similar character, provided the same are not inconsistent with the Discipline. All amendments, bylaws, and regulations of this corporation shall at all times be in conformity with The Discipline of the United Methodist Church. Provided however, at no time shall any of the amendments, bylaws, or regulations of the corporation be prohibited by or in conflict with Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, or any amendments thereto.

ARTICLE NINE MEMBERSHIP

(a) Upon the filing of these Articles of Incorporation of FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF WAUCHULA, FLORIDA, INC., the society or unincorporated association now known as First United Methodist Church of Wauchula, and the members of such society or unincorporated association shall be members of such corporation, and all the rights, privileges, immunities, powers, franchises, authority, property, and obligations of such unincorporated society or association shall thereupon pass to, vest in, and be the rights, privileges, immunities, powers, franchises, authority, property, and obligations of FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF WAUCHULA, FLORIDA, INC., a Florida Not

For Profit corporation.

(b) The members or membership of the corporation shall be composed of such persons (ministerial and lay) as from time to time shall be defined in accordance with the Discipline of The United Methodist Church, and such members thereof shall have only such voting rights as now exist or may hereafter be granted by the Discipline of The United Methodist Church.

ARTICLE TEN DISSOLUTION

If for any reason the corporation shall be abandoned, discontinued, dissolved or cease to exist as a legal entity and its charter shall expire or be terminated, the title to all its property, both real and personal, shall vest in and be the property of the Trustees of the Florida Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church, pursuant to said Discipline of The United Methodist Church, or to an organization qualified under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States.

ARTICLE ELEVEN INCORPORATORS

The name and address of the initial incorporator is:

NAME

Ida Mary Spears

ADDRESS

Route 1, Box 117-F
College Hill Road
Bowling Green, FL 33034

ARTICLE TWELVE AMENDMENTS

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended as set forth in Chapter 617.1002 Florida Statutes, and any amendments thereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed my name this 26 day of March, 1995.

Ida Mary Spears
IDA MARY SPEARS, Incorporator

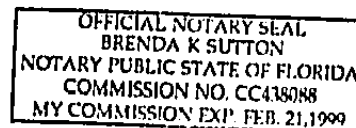
STATE OF FLORIDA:
COUNTY OF HARDEE:

On this 26 day of March, 1995, before me, a notary public, personally appeared IDA MARY SPEARS, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the instrument within, and acknowledged that he executed the same for the purposes contained therein.

NOTARY PUBLIC:

Brenda K. Sutton

State of Florida at Large
My Commission expires:



ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

I hereby accept designation as registered agent for FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF WAUCHULA, INC., and am familiar with and accept the obligations provided for in Chapter 617.0503, Florida Statutes.

DATED this 26 day of March, 1995.

John W. H. Burton
JOHN W. H. BURTON
Registered Agent