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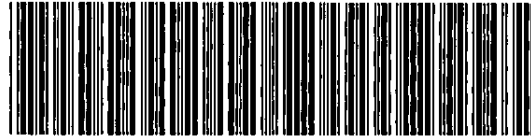
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RE: Document #721616

Dear Clerk,

Enclosed is the original "Restated Articles of Incorporation" to be filed with the State of Florida for Eastland Baptist Church, Inc.

We have also enclosed a check for \$43.75 to cover the cost of the filing and to have the enclosed copy to be stamped as a certified copy and mailed back to us at 9000 Lake Underhill Road, Orlando, FL 32825.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, please call me at 407-277-5858.

In Christ's Service,

Claudia Y. Hurley  
Administrative Asst.  
Eastland Baptist Church





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November 3, 2014

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RE: Eastland Baptist Church, Inc.  
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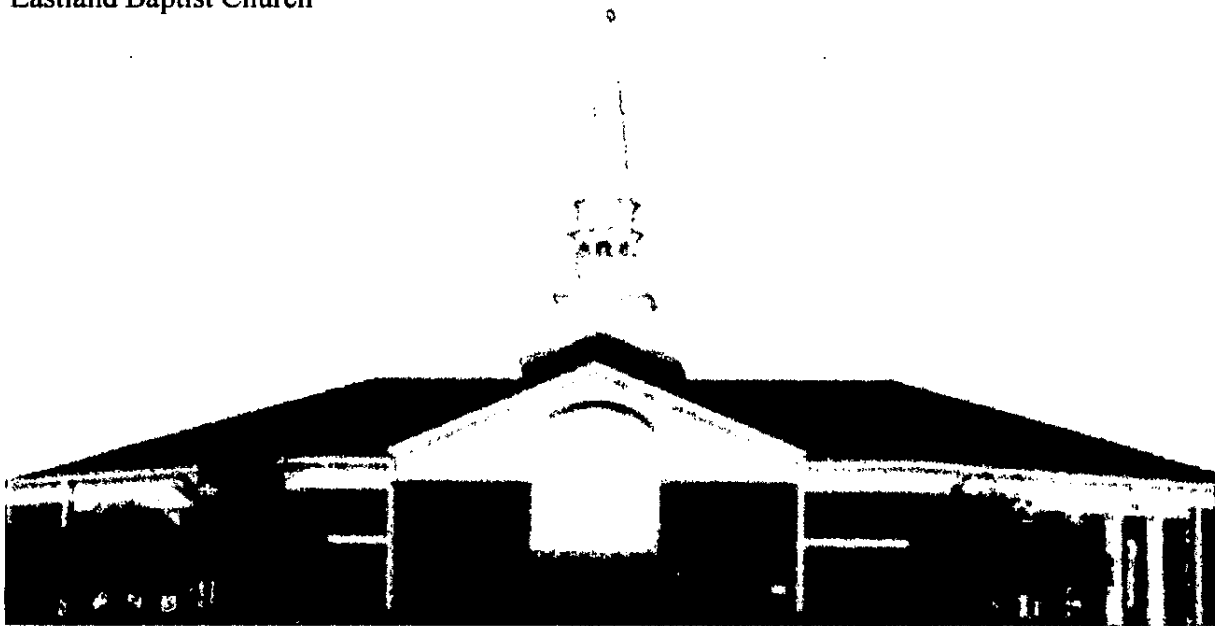
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To Whom It May Concern,

On September 14, 2014, the Board of Directors of Eastland Baptist Church met and adopted changes to the Articles of Incorporation. This vote was unanimous. These changes did not require a vote of the full membership. Present and voting were Jason Allums, Daniel Green, Richard Hurley, and Ron Newby.

In Jesus' Name,

Daniel S. Green, Pastor  
Eastland Baptist Church



RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

ARTICLE I

EASTLAND BAPTIST CHURCH, INC.

The name of this organization, as incorporated under the Laws of the State of Florida is Eastland Baptist Church, Inc.

ARTICLE II

AFFILIATION

We, the Eastland Baptist Church, Inc., shall be known as an Independent Baptist Church, associated in fellowship with the Baptist Bible Fellowship International and other scripturally separated fellowships.

ARTICLE III

GENERAL PURPOSE

The general nature of the business to be transacted by the Eastland Baptist Church, Inc. shall be as follows:

To establish and maintain an independent Baptist Church, to support and send forth missionaries that the Eastland Baptist Church, Inc., deems worthy of support, and to provide a place of worship for the membership and its invited visitors.

To establish, maintain and conduct schools, associations of schools, mission churches, mission stations, counseling centers, day care or child care programs, and to further other religious, educational and charitable work to that end, may adopt and establish by-laws and make all rules and regulations deemed necessary and expedient for the management of its affairs in accordance with law and not inconsistent with these Articles of Incorporation.

To acquire, buy, hold, own, sell, exchange, convey, lease, or otherwise dispose of goods, chattels, effects, and merchandise.

To mortgage, lease, hypothecate, convey, exchange, and dispose of lands and chattels, to acquire, by gift, annuity, bequest, or otherwise, and to promote the diffusion of scriptural literature and education information loyal to the New Testament faith.

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ARTICLE IV  
MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1.

This church shall consist of baptized (immersed) believers in Christ, who take the Holy Bible as their sole role of faith and practice.

SECTION 2.

Persons may be received into membership by letter from other Baptist churches of the same faith and order; by relation of Christian experience, having been previously baptized by immersion into a Baptist church of the same faith and order; by confession of faith in Jesus Christ as his (or her) personal Savior and following Him through the baptismal waters; in each case the candidate giving evidence of a change of heart, the testimony of a Christian life, and adopting the views of faith and practice held by this church.

SECTION 3.

A member may be dismissed to the fellowship of another Baptist church by a letter of recommendation. A member wishing to withdraw from the church to enter some other denomination shall have his or her name erased from the roll.

SECTION 4.

(a) All members of the church shall hold themselves subject to the discipline of the church and shall conduct themselves in accordance with the articles of this instrument and the covenant of faith of this church.

(b) In the case where offense is believed to have been given, the offender shall be disciplined by the church. Those who are in possession of evidence concerning the alleged offense must present said evidence in writing to the discipline committee for consideration.

(c) The Trustees and Deacons shall constitute a standing committee on discipline, to whom all cases of grievous and moral delinquencies shall be referred; and no one shall have the right to accuse any member of the church at any public meeting of the church unless this person, or group of persons, has first presented the charge to the committee on discipline and the charge is held to be scripturally valid.

(d) A member under discipline is prohibited from all the rights of membership. If found guilty of the charges made, he may, by three-fourths vote of the members present and voting, be excluded: provided, however; that the accused member is afforded an opportunity to appear in his own behalf; and provided also that the steps pointed out by the Lord in the 5<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> chapters of Matthew be strictly followed, to secure reconciliation and forgiveness, if possible, before church takes action.

(e) If member under discipline shall voluntarily make a confession to the church, and manifest an evidence of true repentance, no further proceedings shall be entertained. One who has been excluded from membership may be reinstated to full fellowship upon making a voluntary confession and showing true repentance, and by expressing his (or her) desire to re-unite with the church fellowship.

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## ARTICLE V

### OFFICERS

The officers of this church shall consist of a pastor, deacons, trustees, a church clerk and church treasurer.

#### SECTION 1.

The pastor shall be elected for an indefinite term of office (I Tim. 3:1-13).

(a) The relation may be dissolved by mutual agreement after 30 days notice. This time may be extended to meet the needs of the pastor or church by mutual agreement.

(b) In case the pastor or church shall desire to terminate this relationship, the church is automatically relieved of any further obligation as to salary or regularly extended church facilities. Other arrangements may be made by mutual agreement. If the church should terminate relationship, the church will extend regular church facilities and salary for one month.

(c) A special church business meeting to consider dismissal of the Pastor must be called by the Pastor upon presentation to him of a request for such a meeting signed by all trustees and deacons. The requested meeting shall be after two weeks on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. The Pastor shall moderate. A three-fourths secret ballot vote of all members present and voting shall be required for his dismissal. Each ballot shall be dropped in a ballot box by the voter personally in the front of the church. Each voter shall be counted and identified as a qualified member. If the vote for dismissal fails, the trustees and deacons who signed the request shall be automatically dismissed as officers. A vote will then be taken to elect three men from the floor of the church to serve on a nominating committee to select new officers for the church. Dismissed trustees and deacons shall not be qualified for consideration and election. The nominating committee will then function as these by-laws specify and nominate replacements to fill out terms of the dismissed officers. All church documents and materials will be returned prior to the vote or dismissed to the pastor for safe keeping.

#### SECTION 2.

There shall be seven deacons when the church is large enough to need their spiritual service and when men of complete spiritual structure in accord with the scripture are in membership, two for three years, two for two years, and three for one year, always keeping this ratio. Not more than two deacons shall be elected for a period of three years, and shall hold office until their successors are elected. The newly elected deacons shall be installed according to Acts 6:1-7, and will serve their term according to the aforesaid plan. A deacon who serves a full three year term may be elected to serve another term. Further, the number (7) may be reduced or enlarged according to the desire of the pastor and/or church.

(a) Deacons shall be elected by the church upon the recommendation of the duly elected Nominating Committee.

(b) A deacon moving away from the city or willfully not attending four services, automatically ceases to be a deacon. All vacancies left by death or other causes will be filled at a business meeting.

(c) All deacon meetings shall be called by the Pastor who will also act as moderator of the meetings. No meeting will be called in the absence of the Pastor nor will any meeting to discuss church related business take place without his express knowledge and invited attendance.

(d) No changes in accepted policies shall be voted on at any meeting where the pastor is not present.

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### SECTION 3.

The trustees shall be the officers of the corporation and shall consist of the Pastor as chairman, the church treasurer and the secretary of the corporation. These officers will be appointed by the pastor and will serve at his request and their acceptance for a period established by the pastor.

### SECTION 4.

The church clerk shall be the pastor's secretary or as otherwise appointed by the Pastor.

### SECTION 5.

The church treasurer shall be appointed by the Pastor and confirmed by the trustees and deacons. The treasurer shall serve for a period time desired by the pastor and until his successors is appointed and confirmed.

## ARTICLE VI

### DUTIES OF OFFICERS

#### SECTION 1. Pastor:

The pastor shall preach the Gospel regularly, administer the ordinances, act as moderator of all meetings for the transaction of business, supervise and lead the teaching ministry of the church, watch over its membership, spiritual interest, and organize and develop its strength for the best possible service.

(a) In case the pastor is ill, absent, or the church is without a pastor, the senior deacon shall moderate that particular meeting.

(b) The pastor shall be given the liberty by the church to conduct revivals, Bible conferences, educational or other necessary meetings or services or employment when he feels led by the Holy Spirit to do so. When the pastor is absent from his pulpit, he is to see that a suitable supply is engaged.

(c) The pastor shall hire, discharge and accept or reject resignations of staff and workers and does not need to bring these matters before the church or its officers unless he feels it in the best interest of the church.

#### SECTION 2. Deacons:

The deacons shall officiate with the Pastor at the Lord's Supper, attend to the necessities of the poor, act as an advisory committee to the pastor in planning the work of the church. And with the pastor, make such recommendations to the church as they deem wise, and aid the pastor in zealously guarding and fostering the spiritual life of the church.

(a) The deacons shall also act as the official visitation committee of the church and shall each be involved leaders in the visitation effort. They shall work with the pastor in planning programs which will result in the salvation of souls.

(b) The deacons shall handle and count the church offerings.

(c) They shall endeavor to fulfill all of the duties specified in Acts 6:1-7 and I Timothy 3:8-13.

#### SECTION 3. Trustees:

The trustees shall hold in trust all property of the church. The trustees, at the direction of the pastor,

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representing the church, shall handle all legal business matters.

#### SECTION 4. Clerk:

The church clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the church at all meetings, keep a complete registry of membership, issue letters of dismissal and certificates of Christian character as directed by the pastor, preserve all papers and letters coming into his or her hands during the term of office, delivering the same and all records kept by the church clerk to his or her successor. All records will be kept in the church office or by the pastor after they are officially typed and presented within seven days after a business meeting or such paperwork is completed.

### ARTICLE VII

#### COMMITTEES

##### SECTION 1.

The Nominating Committee shall be composed of the Pastor, deacons, and two members elected from the floor of the church. The latter will be elected by selecting the top two to five on the first ballot for a run off vote with a second ballot.

##### SECTION 2.

The Finance Committee shall be composed of the Pastor, treasurer, deacons and trustees. It shall serve for a period of time established by the pastor or until successors are appointed and confirmed.

##### SECTION 3.

In case a vacancy occurs in the pulpit, all of the officers listed under Article V shall compose the Pulpit Committee. All male church staff members shall serve as advisors to the Pulpit Committee but without a vote.

##### SECTION 4.

The Pastor shall be ex-officio member of all committees.

### ARTICLE VIII

#### DUTIES OF COMMITTEES

##### SECTION 1. Nominating Committee:

It shall be the duty of the Nominating Committee to discuss, investigate and pray God's will for qualified men to be nominated to such offices as are to be filled. They shall vote as God directs them and then make their nominations to the body of the church. No nominations shall be made from the floor. If the Nominating Committee nominations fail to pass, they shall meet again to reconsider the nominations.

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## SECTION 2. Finance Committee:

It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to make recommendations to the Pastor for over all distribution of funds in order to keep the expenditures of the church within limits conducive to sound business and in proportion to the income of the church and the church budget. When it is necessary to consider the spending of a major outlay of money outside the budget or to assume additional expanded expenses because of growth of the church, it shall be the duty of the Finance Committee after careful study to report to the church membership in detail and secure approval before actually disbursing such funds. The Finance Committee shall assist the pastor in developing a new budget from year to year.

## SECTION 3. Pulpit Committee:

The senior deacon shall act as moderator of the Pulpit Committee and shall convene the committee at the earliest possible time after the pulpit has been vacated. The church clerk shall serve as committee secretary.

(a) The committee shall be authorized by the church to investigate and consider all names of candidates received by them, and to invite such candidates to visit the church who in their judgment are qualified to meet the needs of the church. Each candidate shall be allowed to preach and teach in all services of a given Sunday and shall be voted on at the next Wednesday night service before the next candidate is heard. A candidate may be invited a second time.

(b) The committee shall be responsible for interviewing the candidate while on the field, placing in his hands a copy of this instruments, the Articles of Faith, and the church covenant. A pastor can only be called by the church at a duly called meeting by a three-fourths vote of all members present and voting.

## ARTICLE IX

### MEETINGS

#### SECTION 1.

All business meetings shall be opened and closed with prayer.

#### SECTION 2.

The annual business meeting shall be held each year during the month of January.

#### SECTION 3.

Special Business meetings may be called by the Pastor whenever such a meeting is required. However, Financial Statements will be available at the immediate request of the pastor or for the membership monthly or quarterly depending on need.

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## ARTICLE X

### VOTING

#### SECTION 1.

All elections shall be by ballot unless otherwise authorized by the church.

#### SECTION 2.

All scripturally baptized members of the church who are active and in good standing shall be entitled to vote in regular church matters.

(a) To be considered an active member of the church and maintain his voting privilege, a member must have attended at least six regular Sunday services during the preceding three months, unless temporarily out of the area or hindered by sickness. Those who willfully absence themselves for four Sunday services shall, if deemed in the best interest of the church be automatically placed on an inactive list.

#### SECTION 3.

A three-fourths affirmative vote of all members present and voting who are at least eighteen years of age, is required for the passage of any motion.

## ARTICLE XI

### CORPORATION OFFICERS

The names of the officers of the corporation are as follows:

President: Daniel S. Green

Address: 9000 Lake Underhill Road, Orlando, FL 32825

Secretary: Richard E. Hurley

Address: 1001 Gammage Point, Oviedo, FL 32765

Treasurer: Kenneth G. Turner

Address: 753 Dunhill Drive, Orlando, Florida 32825

The said officers shall be elected as provided for in the By-Laws, the agent of record for the corporation will be Rev. Daniel S. Green, residing at 9000 Lake Underhill Road, Orlando, FL 32825.

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## ARTICLE XII

### AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS and Articles of Incorporation

These Articles may be changed or amended by the pastor with the appropriate notice and/or at any regular business meeting by a three-fourths affirmative vote of all members eighteen years and up, present and voting, providing however; that such alternation does not conflict with the Articles of Incorporation of this church.

## ARTICLE XIII

This corporation shall have perpetual existence.

## ARTICLE XIV

### SECTION 1.

Should dissolution ever become a necessity, the corporation and church ministry shall do so as outlined under and in accord with the laws of the State of Florida and assets shall be distributed to a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, tax exempt ministry striving to bring Honor and Glory to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

### SECTION 2.

In the event of closure of the school, all student records shall be transferred and stored in accordance with Florida Statutes §1002.42 or the corresponding provision of any future Florida Defunct School Records Law.

### SECTION 3.

Dissolution of school exigency plan:

- (a) Notify parents immediately (at least 30 days in advance).
- (b) All physical records will be transferred to the local County School Superintendent's office after notification.
- (c) In the event that physical records are destroyed, the school administration will make arrangements to obtain student transcripts from the cloud-based School.Worx Program archives in Fayetteville, N.C.

## ARTICLE XV

The corporation shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, or national or ethnic origin. The corporation, with respect to any schools that it may operate, shall admit students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students and shall be racially nondiscriminatory in the administration of all of its policies and programs.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have made and subscribed these Articles of Incorporation this 30 day of July, 2014.

*Daniel S. Green*

Daniel S. Green, President

*Kenneth G. Turner*

Kenneth G. Turner, Treasurer

*Richard E. Hurley*

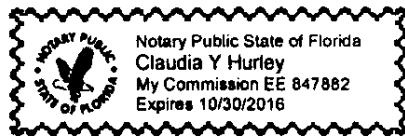
Richard E. Hurley, Secretary

State of Florida  
County Of Orange

Subscribed this 14 day of September, 2014.

*Claudia Y. Hurley*

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CLAUDIA Y. HURLEY  
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We have received your document and check(s) totaling \$43.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned to you for the following reason(s):

A certificate must accompany the Restated Articles of Incorporation setting forth one of the following statements: (1) The restatement was adopted by the board of directors and does not contain any amendments requiring member approval; OR (2) If the restatement contains an amendment requiring member approval, the date of adoption of the amendment by the members and a statement that the number of votes cast for the amendment was sufficient for approval.

Please return your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6838.

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