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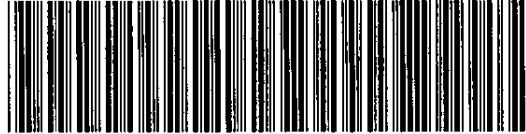
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SUBJECT: TRUSTEE CORPORATION OF THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF
SOUTH BREVARD, INC.
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We have received your document for TRUSTEE CORPORATION OF THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SOUTH BREVARD, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$52.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

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TO: Amendment Section
Division of Corporations

NAME OF CORPORATION: First Baptist Church of South Broward, Inc.
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 434543

The enclosed *Articles of Amendment* and fee are submitted for filing.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

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AMENDED AND RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

For

TRUSTEE CORPORATION OF THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SOUTH BREVARD, INC.

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ARTICLE I

Name and Location

The name of this corporation shall be **First Baptist Church of South Brevard, Inc.**, hereinafter referred to as "this Church." The place where said corporation shall be located is in Melbourne, County of Brevard, and State of Florida.

ARTICLE II

Purpose

The purpose of this Church shall be to promote the evangelizing of the unsaved at home and abroad and to seek the spiritual improvement of its members through the Gospel of Jesus Christ as set forth in the Scriptures.

ARTICLE III

Government

(A) This Church shall be an independent Baptist church completely self-governing. The government of this Church, under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, is vested in the body of believers who comprise it, whose majority vote shall be final. This Church acknowledges the Lord Jesus Christ only as its Head, and receives the Holy Scriptures as the only infallible guide in matter of faith, church order and discipline. It is therefore independent of any external ecclesiastical control whatever, and has full power to perform all the functions and do all the work which Christ has committed to the local churches on earth.

(B) This Church shall be and remain independent and autonomous. However, it may participate in fellowship and activity with organizations of like doctrine for the promotion of the Gospel of Jesus Christ as long as it does not infringe upon the independence or autonomy of this Church.

(D) Upon dissolution of this Church, the properties, personal, real, and mixed, of said organization shall be given by the remaining members, only to a Bible-believing Baptist missionary organization or Bible-believing Baptist Church believing unequivocally in our stated doctrine and separatist position.

ARTICLE IV

Membership

(A) Individuals who have received Jesus Christ as personal savior and have been scripturally baptized by immersion may be received into membership of this Church at a regular service in one of four ways.

1. By baptism following salvation.
2. By letter from a church of like faith and order.
3. By statement that the person has had a genuine Christian experience of being born again and scripturally baptized by immersion.
4. By restoration of excluded members.

(B) All members shall be in full agreement with and uphold the doctrinal statement of faith of this Church.

(C) Members who are living in a way that is totally contrary to the statement of faith of this Church may, through proper procedure set out in Matthew 18:15-17, be excluded from membership. This is always with the purpose and goal of repentance and restoration to fellowship (Gal 6:1).

ARTICLE V

Officers

Section 1. Senior Pastor

(A) The highest office in the local New Testament Church is that of the (Senior) Pastor. (The Pastor (meaning "Shepherd") shall meet all of the Biblical requirements for this high and holy office. (I Timothy 3:1-7, I Peter 5:1-4). He shall be ordained and licensed by a local New Testament, independent, fundamental Baptist Church. The Biblical synonyms for this office are Bishop (Overseer – his authority) Titus 1:5-9, Acts 20:28, I Timothy 3:1; Elder (President of the Assembly- his position) I Pet 5:1, I Timothy 5:1; Minister (Servant – his activities) II Timothy 2:24; Colossians 1:25.

(B) The Pastor shall preach the whole counsel of God, administer the ordinances, watch over the membership, promote the spiritual interest of this Church, and organize and develop its strength for the best possible service to God. He shall have general supervision over all the affairs of this Church, and over the other officers. The Pastor shall have full authority over all employees of this Church. He shall be an ex-officio member of all boards and committees of this Church "with the power to vote" and its auxiliary organizations.

(C) The Senior Pastor shall be dismissed only when he fails to perform his duties, lives in an ungodly manner, or practices that which does not become a Christian minister. When dismissal of a pastor becomes necessary, it shall be done decently, openly, and in order. (Matthew 18:15-17; I Corinthians 14:40). He shall be admonished and the grievances clearly stated to him by a group of not less than three male members, who have been appointed by the Deacon Board. If he will not be admonished, or if the problem cannot be resolved, a special business meeting shall be called before the membership body of this Church for the stated purpose of considering the dismissal of the pastor. The meeting shall be announced at least one Sunday prior to its occurrence. The pastor shall, in no wise, hinder the calling or publicizing of this meeting. In the meeting, the charges shall be specifically declared and shall be established by two or more witnesses (I Timothy 5: 19). The pastor shall then, at his option, be given opportunity to answer the charges against him. If the problem cannot be resolved, a motion should then be made to declare the pulpit vacant. The motion must be seconded and carried by a super majority (two-thirds) of the members present. Anyone who has not been an active member for the six months preceding the meeting shall be ineligible to vote in such a meeting.

Section 2. Assistant Pastors

Assistant Pastors, meeting all of the above qualifications, shall be hired by the Pastor as necessary to aid in the performance of the aforementioned duties. They shall be under the direct supervision of the Pastor. Assistant Pastors shall be dismissed at the discretion of the Senior Pastor.

Section 3. Deacons

(A) The term "Deacon" means "Servant" (of the Lord and His people). Also the term "Deacon" means "Helper" - Helper to the Pastor in the church doing the work of the Lord. Therefore, the Deacons shall serve this Church by helping the Pastor in the general supervision of the work of this Church.

(B) There shall always be a minimum of three deacons on the board.

(C) Deacons shall consist of scripturally qualified men (Acts 6:3, I Timothy 3:8-13) as are available and necessary. The duty of the deacon is to serve the Pastor and this Church. Deacons are in a subordinate position to the Pastor and in no wise shall attempt to usurp authority over the Pastor. Their duty is to assist the Pastor not to control him. The main duty of the deacon body is to be the Pastor's helper in secular and menial duties so that he may have time to give himself to "prayer, and to the ministry of the Word" (Acts 6:4).

(D) The deacons shall assist the Pastor with the ordinances of the Lord's Supper and Baptism.

(E) If the Senior Pastor is unavailable, the Chairman of the Deacons shall sign and execute all legal documents in his stead for and on behalf of this Church.

Section 4. Election of Officers

(A) When the pulpit is vacant, a pulpit committee consisting of the Deacon Board and other members whom they enlist shall secure pastoral candidates and provide pulpit supplies. The pulpit committee shall thoroughly investigate and prayerfully consider candidates. As the Holy Spirit leads, they shall present the name of one candidate at a time for approval by the members of this Church at a special meeting called for that purpose.

Before the candidate is presented to be voted upon, the Pulpit Committee must secure his permission and present to this Church, at the time of voting, a signed statement by the proposed candidate signifying his unreserved acceptance of this Church's covenant and doctrinal statement and constitution. A three-fourth majority of the voting members present (quorum is necessary) shall be required to call the Senior Pastor. Anyone who has not been an active member for the six months preceding the meeting shall be ineligible to vote in such a meeting.

The call shall be extended by this Church through the Pulpit Committee. Should the candidate fail to receive the three-fourths majority, or refuse the call, the Pulpit Committee shall seek out another acceptable candidate.

(B) When the Senior Pastor sees the need for the election of deacons, he shall ask the membership of this Church for recommendations. The Pastor shall meet with the prospective deacon to ensure his biblical qualifications (Section 3, Para C) and desire. He will then be voted into office by the membership of this Church. Once deacons are elected by majority vote, they shall serve in a probationary role as "deacons in training" for one year. After that they shall serve as deacons until they remove themselves voluntarily or are dismissed by the pastor with the concurrence of the deacon board.

Section 5. Other Officers / Staff

(A) This Church shall have a minimum of four directors – the Senior Pastor and three others. These others shall be either assistant pastors or deacons as appointed by the Senior Pastor with the concurrence of the deacon board.

(B) When the Senior Pastor sees the need, he shall hire or direct an assistant pastor to hire other staff.

Section 6. Compliance with the Doctrinal Statement of Faith

All officers, staff, employees, and volunteers shall be in full agreement with and uphold the doctrinal statement of faith of this Church.

ARTICLE VI

Meetings

Section 1. Regular Worship Services

The stated meetings of this Church for public worship shall be held Sunday morning, Sunday evening and one evening during the week.

Section 2. Special Services

Revival services, mission conferences and any other meetings which will be essential in the promotion of the objectives of this Church shall be scheduled as the Pastor deems necessary.

Section 3. Business Meetings

(A) Deacons shall meet with the Senior Pastor monthly or as necessary to review the church finances and other pertinent information. Meeting minutes shall be kept on file for seven years.

(B) The Deacon Board shall approve an annual budget presented by the Financial Administrator.

(C) Church-wide business meetings will be called when the Pastor deems them necessary. A one-week notice of the meeting will be given, unless extreme urgency renders such notice impractical.

ARTICLE VII

Finances

(A) This Church accepts the Bible method of finances as final authority in all matters of faith and practice. In matters of church finance, we believe that tithes and offerings are the Biblical injunctions for giving (Malachi 3:8-10; I Corinthians 16:2; and II Corinthians 9:6-15). "Upon the first day of the week" (regularly and systematically); "As God has prospered Him" (proportionately); "Prove me now herewith" (Administered by God) and "As he purposed in his heart, so let him give" (each member deciding in the light of the Word of God and the leadership of the Spirit of God, his responsibility).

(B) Financial reports shall be distributed to the deacon board at their regular meetings and Quarterly financial reports shall be made available to all members of this Church.

(C) Assets no longer needed are to be sold at fair market value.

(D) No part of the net earnings of the trustee corporation of this Church shall ever inure to the benefit of any donor, member, director, or officer of the corporation or shall any private individual be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets.

ARTICLE VIII

Amendments

Amendments to these articles shall be made by the unanimous approval of the deacon board and then presented to the members of this Church.

The date of each amendment(s) adoption: _____, if other than the date this document was signed.

Effective date if applicable: _____
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Adoption of Amendment(s) (CHECK ONE)

☐ The amendment(s) was/were adopted by the members and the number of votes cast for the amendment(s) was/were sufficient for approval.

☒ There are no members or members entitled to vote on the amendment(s). The amendment(s) was/were adopted by the board of directors.

Dated _____

Signature _____

(By the chairman or vice chairman of the board, president or other officer-if directors have not been selected, by an incorporator - if in the hands of a receiver, trustee, or other court appointed fiduciary by that fiduciary)

Charles M. Rhodes

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President

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