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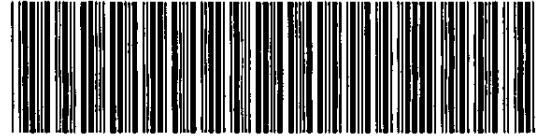
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October 23, 2013

THOMAS H. HEMPHILL  
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SUBJECT: LIGHT OF CHRIST COMMUNITY CHURCH, INC.  
Ref. Number: 758585

We have received your document and check(s) totaling \$78.75. 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.

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SUBJECT: LIGHT OF CHRIST COMMUNITY CHURCH, INC.  
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

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☐ \$78.75  
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FROM: THOMAS H. HEMPHILL  
Name (Printed or typed)

101 SUMMIT RIDGE DRIVE  
Address

TAHLEQUAH, OK 74464  
City, State & Zip

918-456-4933  
Daytime Telephone number

tomhemphill@gmail.com  
E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

RESTATED

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

LIGHT OF CHRIST COMMUNITY CHURCH, INC.

The undersigned hereby associate themselves for the purpose of forming a Corporation not for profit under and pursuant to Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes and do certify as follows:

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of the Corporation shall be: LIGHT OF CHRIST COMMUNITY CHURCH, INC.

Article II – PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal office of the Corporation shall be: 22 Summit Ridge Drive, Tahlequah, OK 74464.

ARTICLE III – PURPOSE

The general purpose for which this corporation is organized is:

- A. To form a religious society which, together with and in addition to the authority and powers conferred by the State of Florida, shall do all things necessary whatsoever to encourage, guide and direct individuals towards a greater understanding of themselves and God by means of, but in no way limited to the teaching of religion, mysticism, spiritual science, and psychic development through its worship services, educational programs and spiritual direction.
- B. To establish a church, and charter auxiliary churches, centers, and home study groups for the purpose of worship and to conduct classes.
- C. To establish and operate a graduate level seminary for the purpose of educating and training ministers and lay persons in all aspects related to the support of our belief system and to award appropriate certificates, diplomas, and degrees of the Masters and Doctoral level in ministry, theology, philosophy and/or divinity to those who successfully complete our requirements; and, to award honorary degrees in divinity or sacred theology to those persons who have made an outstanding contribution to religion and/or transformational spirituality as determined by the Board of Trustees for the corporation.

- D. To ordain ministers for the promotion of Christian Principles as set forth in the Holy Bible and the Aquarian Gospel of Jesus the Christ, and to give inspirational and spiritual communications, and to prophesy, including to warn, exhort and comfort members, individuals and our fellow beings for their spiritual and temporal good.
- E. To commission Practitioners as part of the Ministry to encourage, teach, and practice Divine and/or Spiritual healing in all its modes and phases.
- F. To certify Teachers who are prepared to provide a modern mystical interpretation of the Ancient Wisdom Teachings and the spiritual benefits of a moral life.
- G. To operate exclusively in any other manner for such religious, charitable, and educational purposes as will qualify it as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended, or under any corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws, covering the distributions to organizations qualified as tax exempt organizations under the Internal Revenue Code, including private foundations and private operating foundations.

#### ARTICLE IV – MEMBERS AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Any person is eligible for membership in this Corporation who is willing to subscribe to its charter and bylaws. Candidates for membership must be sponsored by a member and elected to membership by a unanimous vote of the Board of Trustees.

Officers of the Corporation shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. All officers shall be elected by a simple majority vote of the Trustees. Officers of the Corporation shall be elected to serve for two-year terms, and may serve a total of two consecutive terms (a total of four years as a specific officer), followed by a minimum of one year before serving again in that same position.

#### ARTICLE V – SUBSCRIBERS, COMMENCEMENT AND TERM OF EXISTENCE

The name and residence of each subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation are:

Carol W. Parrish  
8201 Willow Street  
Sarasota, FL 33580

Charles C. Harra  
8201 Willow Street  
Sarasota, FL 33580

Grace B. Bradley  
317 Pearl Avenue  
Sarasota, FL 33580

The Corporation shall commence to exist on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 1981, at 3:15 p.m., EDT. The term for which the Corporation is to exist shall be perpetual.

#### ARTICLE VI – REGISTERED AGENT

The address of the Corporation's Registered Office is 615 Ellendale Drive, Winter Park, FL 32792; and the name of its Registered Agent at said address is Jeremiah Hemphill.

#### ARTICLE VII – BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The initial Board of Trustees shall consist of three members, all of whom must be members of the Corporation. The number of Trustees may be increased from time to time, as provided in the bylaws, but shall never be fewer than three. Trustees elected shall serve for two-year terms as provided in the bylaws. A simple majority of the trustees elected and serving shall constitute a quorum of the Board of Trustees; such quorum shall be adequate and acceptable for carrying out the work of the Board of Trustees.

#### ARTICLE VIII – BYLAWS

In order to carry out the purpose of this corporation the Board of Trustees of this Corporation shall impose and adopt bylaws regulating its internal affairs and operations. The bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Trustees present at any duly called and constituted meeting of the Board of Trustees. Notice of a vote on changes to the bylaws shall be made 15 days prior to the meeting date; such notice may be given via e-mail or registered mail.

#### ARTICLE IX – AMENDMENTS

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Trustees at any duly called and constituted meeting. Notice of a vote on amendments to the Articles of Incorporation shall be made 15 days prior to the meeting date; such notice may be given via e-mail or registered mail.

#### ARTICLE X – POWERS

The general powers of this Corporation which shall be vested in the Board of Trustees of the corporation shall be those set forth in Florida Statutes Section 617.0302. Any contract of indebtedness, or any conveyance, transfer or encumbrance of any property of this Corporation, whether tangible, intangible, real, personal or mixed, shall be signed and executed in the name of this Corporation by the signature of the President and one other officer of the corporation or, in the absence of the President, by any two officers of the corporation.

## ARTICLE XI – EARNINGS AND ACTIVITIES

- A. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers or other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distribution in furtherance of the purpose set forth in Article II hereof.
- B. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.
- C. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).
- D. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.


## ARTICLE XII – DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS

Upon dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Trustees shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the Corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Trustees shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of competent jurisdiction in the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations as such Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

## ARTICLE XIII – DEDICATION OF ASSETS

The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to religious, scientific, educational, artistic, humanitarian and charitable purposes, and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer or member thereof or to the benefit of any private individual.

*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.*

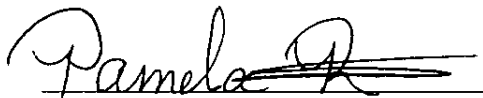
  
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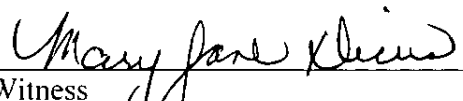
*I submit this document and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that any false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in s.817.155, F.S.*

Steven A Chase  
Signature of Incorporator  
Steven A. Chase, President  
Light of Christ Community Church

10/5/13  
Date

  
Witness  
Pamela Ramsfield, Vice President  
Light of Christ Community Church

10-1-13  
Date

  
Witness  
Mary Jane Dieus, Secretary-Treasurer  
Light of Christ Community Church

10-5-13  
Date



# *Light of Christ Community Church*

22 SUMMIT RIDGE DRIVE, TAHLEQUAH 74464

Telephone: 918-456-3421  
E-mail: [lccc@sanctasophia.org](mailto:lccc@sanctasophia.org)

November 16, 2013

I hereby certify that the attached amended Articles of Incorporation were accepted unanimously by the Board of Trustees of Light of Christ Community Church at our regularly scheduled meeting on September 21, 2013.

I also certify that a vote of acceptance by the membership is not required, as per Article IX of the Articles of Incorporation now in effect, which states, "These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Trustees at any duly called and constituted meeting."

Respectfully submitted:

Steven A. Chase

Steven A. Chase, President  
Light of Christ Community Church, Inc.

Mary Jane Dicus

Witness: Mary Jane Dicus, Secretary  
Light of Christ Community Church, Inc.