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STRONG TOWER MINISTRIES, INCORPORATED

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March 8, 2000

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SUBJECT: STRONG TOWER MINISTRIES, INC.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The undersigned acting as incorporators of a corporation to chapter 617, Florida Statues, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation on the 4th day of Aug. 1999.

ARTICLE I Name

The name of this church shall be: Strong Tower Ministries, Inc.

ARTICLE II
Principal Place of business and mailing address

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be in the country of Dade, City of Miami, State Florida. The church may also have offices at such other places as the Board of Directors may from time to time designate. The principle address is: 10771 S.W. 154th.

Miami, FL 33157

ARTICLE III Purposes

- 1. To propagate the Christian Faith and to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ as revealed through the Holy Scriptures by all means of communication, whether visual, verbal or written via seminars, radio, television, and other form of mass media.
- 2. To provide for preaching, teaching, and fostering the growth of the Christian Religion in all places, local and international; to license and ordain ministers; to carry on the work of evangelism; to promote missionary work in all places; to carry on the organization of churches and foster their development and local sovereignty and independence according to this Constitution and its By-Laws.
- 3. To erect and maintain Church buildings, social halls, business offices, school buildings, recreation facilities, parsonages, and such other structures as are deemed necessary, and to organize and promote such activities as deemed necessary for the upkeep and continuance of said buildings and facilities.
- 4. To collect, solicit and accent funds, gifts and other subscriptions; to hold in trust, use, mortgage, lease, sell, or otherwise acquire or dispose of property, real or chattel, in keeping with the recited purposes of this church, and it shall have and exercise all powers that are necessary or convenient to effect any and all of the purposes for which this congregation is organized.
- 5. This organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

6. No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or others private persons, except that the — organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof No substantial part of the activities of organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing of distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c)(2) of the International Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any further federal tax code.

ARTICLE IV

Manner of appointment of directors

The manner in which the directors are appointed is as follows:

1. Board of Directors

This Church, as to its business affairs, shall be fully controlled, governed and operated by its Board of Directors, which shall consist of a minimum of three (3) to (5) members, but the number may be increased as the need arises, these being taken from qualified Elders. The Board of Directors shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary/ Treasurer.

The President and Vice President of the Board of Directors will also be known as the "first Board of Trustees." All members of the Board of Directors will be appointed by the President of the Board.

2. Directors

The Board of Directors at this period of time consists of the following:

The President, Senior Pastor and Chairman of the Board The Vice President, Elder Secretary/Treasurer, Elder

3. New Member

New members of the Board shall be appointed by the President of the Board as the need arises. All Board members must be chosen and accepted on the basis of the Scriptural qualifications laid down in I Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:5-9, and must be official members of the Church. No person, other than an Elder shall be eligible for election or appointment to

The Board of Directors.

4. Term of Office

All Board members will maintain their position for life but are subject to removal at any time when they cease to qualify under the original qualifications by which they were appointed. With the exception of the President, who cannot be removed by any board or church vote.

5. Replacement

The President with the advice of the Board of Directors will determine when any member of the Board is no longer fulfilling the necessary qualifications for the office. Board members may also resign voluntarily at their own request, which must be stated in written form. The replacement of any position in the Board of Directors shall be determined and appointed by the President of the Board with the advice of the Board.

6. Successor to the Senior Pastor

The Senior Pastor shall have the sole powers, duties and authority to name his successor. In the event of death or disability of the Senior Pastor the Vice President of the first Board of Trustees will automatically become the Senior Pastor having A rights, duties, and powers as such.

ARTICLE V Limitation of corporate powers

The President, who is also the Senior Pastor, or delegated official, with the advice of the other members of the Board of Directors will have the power, duties and authority to implement such powers and duties as follows:

- a. To exercise the power and business of the Congregation.
- b. To apply to the proper authorities for permission to carry on the business of the congregation wherever they may be suitable locally, in state, nationally, or internationally.
- c. The President will have the power to appoint an attorney with the advice of the other members of the Board of Directors to do any acts and excuse any documents for and on behalf of the Board of Directors.
- d. To manage and control investments.
- e. To manage and control gifts, legacies and beneficiaries of any kind.
- f. To meet any costs, expenses and liabilities from such funds as may be needed by the church.

- g. To insure, build, repair and maintain property.
- h. To employ such staff as may be required in the functioning of the Church and to discuss such staff.
- i. To properly attend to accounts and audit, and keep records of all payments; the treasurer being appointed to prepare a proper balance sheet of the Church business on a quarterly basis of each year.
- j. To call for the General Assembly of the Church for an Annual (or Special) Meeting, the date of same to be advised in the Church News and notice of such Meeting must be given at least two weeks prior to the date of such Meeting.

TRUSTEES

1. The Trustees

The number of Trustees shall be two (3). Trustees need not be resident of the State of Florida nor members of the church. The Trustees, other than the first Board of Trustees, and except as provided in any Article shall be elected at the annual meeting of voting members, and each trustee shall serve until the next succeeding annual meeting and until his successor shall have been elected and qualified. The Board of Trustees shall be authorized to increase their number by unanimous consent.

Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Trustees may be filled by the affirmative vote of the majority of the remaining Trustees but less than a quorum of the Board of Trustees. A Trustee elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired portion of the term of his predecessor in office.

- 2. Powers and Duties of Trustees
- a. The affairs of the church shall be managed by its Board of Trustees which may exercise all such lawful acts and things as are not by statue or by these Articles of Incorporation, or by the By-laws directed or required to be exercised or done by voting members.
- b. The trustees may keep the books of the church, except such as required by law to be kept within the state, outside of the State of Florida at such place or places as they may from time to time determine. c. The board of Trustees, by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Trustees then in office, shall have the authority to establish reasonable compensation of all Trustees for services to the corporation as Trustees, or otherwise.

International Board of Trustees

The Strong Tower Ministries, Incorporated hereby makes provisions to become involved in various missionary activities overseas. When the activities of the Church in a particular country or nation make it desirable. The Board of Trustees may create an International Board of Trustees to direct those activities, and are subject to review by the Board of Trustees. The duties of the International Board of Trustees will be to exercise such power and authority as had been specifically given to it by the Board of Trustees, and all other activities that are necessary, and do not exceed that intended by the responsibility of insuring that its activities reflect the principles, nature and purpose of the Strong Tower Ministries, Incorporated.

ARTICLE VI

Initial registered agent and street address

The name and the street address of the initial registered agent is

Name:

Leon Elbert Chew

Address:

10771 S.W. 154th

Miami, FL 33157

1 hereby is familiar with and accepts the duties and responsibilities as registered agent for said Corporation.

Leon Elbert Chew

ARTICLE VI I Incorporators

The names of the street addresses of the incorporators for these articles are:

Name: Leon Elbert Chew Address: 10771 S.W. 154th

Miami, FL 33157

Name: Venus Michell Chew Address: 10771 S.W. 154th

Miami, FL 33157

ARTICLE VIII

Corporate Dissolution Provision

Upon the dissolution of this organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.

"Signature of Incorporators:

President Trustee

Leon Elbert Chew

Typed name of incorporator signing

Vice President Trustee

Venus Michell Chew

Typed name of incorporator signing

Secretary/Treasurer/10/5400

Alfred Dallas

Typed name of incorporator signing

CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 607.0501 OR 617.0501, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE UNDERSIGNED CORPORATION, ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIJDA, SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN DESIGNATING THE REGISTERED OFFICE/REGISTERED AGENT, IN THE STATE OF

FLORIDA.

- 1. The name of the corporation is: Strong Tower Ministries, Inc.
- The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

Leon Elbert Chew (Name)

10771 S.W. 154th

(Street Address P.O. Box or Mail Drop Box NOT acceptable).

Miami, FL 33157 (City/State/Zip)

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.