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SUBJECT: NEW BEGINNINGS CHURCH OF FREEPORT, 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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FROM: JOANN CUMBIE
Name (Printed or typed)

P.O. Box 1022
Address

FREEPORT, FL. 32439
City, State & Zip

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Daytime Telephone number

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

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
NEW BEGINNINGS CHURCH OF FREEPORT, INC.**

(A Florida Corporation Not For Profit)

The undersigned, acting as Incorporator of a corporation, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation.

**ARTICLE I
CORPORATE NAME**

The name of the Corporation shall be **NEW BEGINNINGS CHURCH OF FREEPORT, INC.**

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**ARTICLE II
DURATION**

The period of duration of this Corporation is perpetual, unless dissolved according to law. Corporate existence shall commence upon filing of these Articles of Incorporation.

**ARTICLE III
CORPORATE PURPOSES; POWERS**

1. The purposes for which the Corporation is organized and operated are exclusively religious, charitable, scientific, literary, and educational within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law. Such purposes shall include the following:

- (a) Religious
- (b) To conduct a local Church by the direction of the Lord Jesus Christ and under the leadership of the Holy Spirit in accordance with all of the Commandments and provisions as set forth in the Holy Bible, the irrevocable Word of God. Pursuant thereto, the following activities and guidelines shall be established.
 - i. A recognized Creed, Code of Doctrine, discipline and form of worship shall be established.
 - ii. An ecclesiastical form of government shall be established.
 - iii. Licensing and/or ordination of ministers upon completion of the prescribed course of study, designated by this Church Ministry.
 - iv. An organization of ministers shall be established to minister to the congregation of the church.

- v. Establishment of a Church membership based upon acceptance of a recognized creed and belief and support of the church.
 - vi. Spread the Word of the Gospel through seminars, radio, television, establishment of Church literature, and other forms of mass media for the purpose of educating the individual in the Word of God.
 - vii. Establishment of various religious services pursuant to the recognized Creed, form of worship, code of doctrine and discipline of the Church and the establishment of schools for religious and educational instruction to the young and to the old.
 - viii. Establishing a school for the preparation of ministers who minister to the church.
- (c) Minister the Word of God to the faithful.
 - (d) Promote and encourage, through the ministry of the organization, cooperation with other organizations, ministering within the community.
 - (e) To acquire and hold such property, either real or personal, for Church purposes, as may be necessary for its membership and the worship of God.

2. As a means of accomplishing the above purposes and methods, the Corporation shall have the following powers:

- (a) To receive and accept gifts of money and property and to hold the same for any of the purposes of the Corporation and its work.
- (b) To raise and assist in raising funds for the purposes herein set forth.
- (c) To acquire, own, lease, mortgage and dispose of property, both real and personal.
- (d) To conduct and carry on religious services and instruction through the public media, including electronic broadcasting, AM and FM radio, telecasting, microwave distribution, closed circuit transmission, and cable television.
- (e) To accept property and donations in trust for religious or charitable purposes.

3. In the conduct of the affairs of the Corporation:

- (a) The property of the Corporation is irrevocably dedicated to religious, educational, and charitable purposes, and no part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, directors, officers or other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered to it and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in this Article.
- (b) No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall exist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation; nor shall it in any manner or to any extent participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office; nor shall the Corporation engage in any activities that are unlawful under applicable federal, state, or local laws.

(c) The Corporation shall not:

1. Operate for the purpose of carrying on a trade or business for profit;
2. Accumulate income, invest income, or divert income, in a manner endangering its exempt status; or
3. Except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activity or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of the Corporation.

(d) The Corporation's operations are to be conducted principally in the United States of America; the Corporation also may conduct operations in foreign countries, subject, however, to the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE IV **REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT**

The initial street address and mailing address of the principal office of the Corporation is:

1564 State Hwy. 20 West
Freeport, Florida 32439

P.O. Box 1022
Freeport, Florida 32439

WALTON COUNTY

The initial REGISTERED AGENT and street address of such is:

JoAnn Cumbie
132 Beech Street
Freeport, Florida 32439

ARTICLE V **MANAGEMENT OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS**

The powers of the Corporation shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and the business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed under the direction of a Board of Directors in conjunction with the Corporate president (Pastor). The number of directors at no time shall number less than three (3), nor more than ten (10).

ARTICLE VI **INITIAL OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS**

The manner in which Directors of the Corporation shall be elected or appointed shall be governed by the provisions of the Bylaws of the Corporation. The names and street addresses of the initial officers and directors of the Corporation are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Street Address</u>
William Bahr	58 East Shellcracker P.O. Box 576 Freeport, Florida 32439
Don Blizzard	2601 East Bay Loop Road P.O. Box 218 Freeport, Florida 32439
Eddie Farris	790 West Bay Loop Road P.O. Box 295 Freeport, Florida 32439
Don Messer	334 Cite C-6 Road Freeport, Florida 32439

ARTICLE VII
CORPORATE NATURE

This Corporation is organized under a non-stock basis.

ARTICLE VIII
MEMBERS

This Corporation shall have members and they shall be admitted and qualified in accordance with the Bylaws of this Corporation.

ARTICLE IX
AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these Articles of Incorporation may be adopted by a majority of the directors in a manner set forth in the Bylaws of this Corporation.

ARTICLE X
INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Eddie Farris
790 West Bay Loop Road
P.O. Box 295
Freeport, Florida 32439

ARTICLE XI
MISCELLANEOUS

(A) Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on:

1. by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law) or,
2. by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law) .

(B) In the event of the dissolution of this Corporation, or in the event it shall cease to carry out the objects and purposes herein set forth, all of the business property and assets of the Corporation shall go and be distributed to a non-profit corporation qualifying as an organization exempt under the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any superseding statute thereof, as the Trustees of the Corporation may select and designate; and in no event shall any of said assets or property, in the event of dissolution thereof, go or be distributed or contributed by such trustees, for any other such purpose. Any of these assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the District Court of the County in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes, or to such organization or organizations as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Dated this 29th day of March, 2000.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation.



Eddie Farris, Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF WALTON

I hereby certify that on this day, before me, an officer duly qualified to take acknowledgments, personally appeared EDDIE FARRIS, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and he acknowledged before me that he executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal in the County and State aforesaid this 29th day of March, 2000.



Samantha Graves

Notary Public - State of Florida
My Commission Expires:

CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION
REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 607.325, the Florida Statutes, the undersigned Corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered office/registered agent , in the State of Florida.

1. The name of the Corporation is:

NEW BEGINNINGS CHURCH OF FREEPORT, INC.

2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

JoAnn Cumbie, Registered Agent
132 Beech Street
Freeport, Florida 32439

ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-stated Corporation, at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby agree to act in this capacity and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all the statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I accept the duties and obligations set forth in Section 607.325, Florida Statutes.


JoAnn Cumbie

Date: March 29, 2000

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