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# TESFAYE TADESSE RENEWED HOPE IN CHRIST MINISTRY, INC. POST OFFICE BOX 450501 KISSIMMEE, FLORIDA 34745-0504

April 18, 2000

SECRETARY OF STATE DIVISION OF CORPORATION TALLAHASSE, FLORIDA 32301 000003216580--5 -04/20/00--01060--016 \*\*\*\*\*\*78.75 \*\*\*\*\*\*78.75

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TESAFYE TADESSE RENEWED HOPE IN CHRIST MINISTRY, INC.

THANK YOU,

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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

#### **FOR**

# TESFAYE TADESSE RENEWED HOPE IN CHRIST MINISTRY, INC.

The undersigned, acting as incorporator (s) of a corporation pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statues, adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporations:

#### ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this corporation shall be:

# TESFAYE TADESSE RENEWED HOPE IN CHRIST MINISTRY, INC.

# ARTICLE II – PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS AND MAILING ADDRESS

The principal place of business of this corporation shall be:

102 West Martin Street Kissimmee, Florida 34741

And the mailing address of this corporation shall be:

Post Office Box 450501 Kissimmee, Florida 34745-0504

#### ARTICLE III - PURPOSE (S)

The specific purpose (s) for which the corporation is organized is (are):

The corporation is organized pursuant to the provisions of the general non-profit corporation law of the State of Florida.

The corporation is organized exclusively for religious, charitable, and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and including, to the extent permitted by said Section 501 (c)(3), the following:

A. To preach the gospel of Jesus Christ for the purpose or benefit of bringing men and women into the knowledge of salvation, healing lives through physical, emotional, and spiritual counseling, proclaiming liberty to those held captive by drugs, alcohol and poverty by providing

food, clothing, shelter and education; building a strong community-church relationship through various outreach programs.

- B. To exercise all rights and powers conferred on not for profit corporations under the laws of the State of Florida, provided, however, that the corporation shall not engage in any activities or exercise any powers, that are not in furtherance of the specific and primary religious, charitable, and educational purposes of the corporation. All of the foregoing purposes and powers shall be exercised exclusively for the religious, charitable, and educational purposes shall be exercised in such manner that the corporation shall qualify as an exempt organization under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as it is currently or hereafter may be in force and effect.
- C. The corporation shall not devote more than an insubstantial part of its activities to the caring on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in, directly or indirectly, any political campaign on behalf of or, in apposition to, any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal and state income taxes under section 501 (C) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 and Florida Statues Chapter 617 as the same may be amended from time to time. The corporation shall not have objectives or engage in activities that characterize it as an "action" organization as defined in Treasury Regulation 1.501 (C) (3).
- D. The Corporation is and shall remain a corporation not for profit. The corporation shall not have nor issue shares of stock. The corporation is not organized, nor shall it be operated for the primary purpose of generating pecuniary gain or profit, and it will not distribute any gains, profits, or dividends to the members thereof, or to any individual, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions and furtherance of it specific and primary purposes. The property, assets, profits, and net income of the corporation are irrevocably dedicated to religious, charitable, and educational purposes, and no part of the profit or net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit or any director, officer, or member thereof or to the benefit of any individual or any private shareholder.

#### ARTICLE IV – MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

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

The Pastor and Elders of the church will elect the leaders of the organization. Other positions in the church will be given to members as they qualify. The number of directors shall be established by the By-Laws, but shall never be less than three (3).

The initial board of directors of this corporation shall consist of the following:

Tesfaye Tedessa – Chairman/President Cinda Tedessa – Vice-President Yafrica Tedessa – Secretary/Treasurer Gary Burch – Director David Steel – Director Ray Gould - Director Benita Henderson - Director

# ARTICLE V – LIMITATION OF CORPORATE POWERS

The corporate powers of this corporation are as provided in Section 617.302, Florida Statues, unless limited as follows:

**INCONSISTENT ACTIVITIES:** This corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in activities or exercise any powers that are in themselves not in furtherance of the specific and primary purposes of this corporation as set forth in Article III.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, this 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, or the corresponding tax code, or (b) by a corporation contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(C)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any further federal tax code.

**DISCRIMINATION:** All activities and staff positions of any sort will be on a racially nondiscriminatory basis. There shall be no discrimination against applicants for any staff positions and those who wish to attend church services and/or desire to be a member of the Corporation (Church).

SALARIES: Any salaries, wages, together with fringe benefits or other forms of compensation (housing, transportation, and other allowances) paid to or provided to any employee, director, or officer will not exceed a value which is reasonable and commensurate with the duties and work hours associated with such employment and with the compensation ordinarily paid persons with similar positions and duties.

**NET INCOME:** No part of the net earnings (income surplus) of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, directors, 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 distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article Three.

# ARTICLE VI – DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION

No persons, firms, or corporation shall ever receive any dividends or profits from the undertaking of the corporation. In the event of dissolution of the corporation, the residual assets of the corporation remaining after payment of, or provisions for payment of, all debts and liabilities of the corporation, shall be distributed to one or more organizations, which themselves are exempt as organizations described in section 501 (C) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code,

exclusively to accomplish public purposes and none of the assets will be distributed to any member, director, officer, or trustee of this corporation.

### ARTICLE VII - INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

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

#### TESFAYE TEDESSA 1332 PAPERWOODS DRIVE ST. CLOUD, FLORIDA 34772

#### ARTICLE VIII - INCORPORATORS

The name(s) and the street address (es) of the incorporator(s) for these articles of incorporation is (are):

#### TESFAYE TEDESSA 1332 PAPERWOODS DRIVE ST. CLOUD, FLORIDA 34772

The undersigned incorporator (s) has/have executed these Articles of Incorporation this day of April 2000.

Signature(s) of Incorporator(s)

Incorporator & Registered Agent

I hereby accept the designation as registered agent.