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ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT and RESTATEMENT
to
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
of
In His Steps Christian Ministries Church, INC.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 617.1006, Florida Statutes, the undersigned Florida nonprofit corporation .on adopts the following articles of amendment to its articles of incorporation.

FIRST: Amendment(s) adopted: (INDICATE ARTICLE NUMBER(S) BEING AMENDED, RESTATED, ADDED OR DELETED.)

All of the original articles are amended and restated to include :articles 1-9

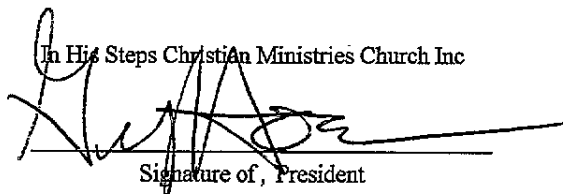
SECOND: The date of adoption of the amendment(s) was: August 25th , 2,000

THIRD: Adoption of Amendment (CHECK one)

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

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

In His Steps Christian Ministries Church Inc



Signature of, President

Gregory Hoenig-President

Date August 25th 2,000

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IN HIS STEPS CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES CHURCH INC.
Articles OF AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT

ARTICLE I - PRINCIPLE OFFICE

The location of the principle office of the **IN HIS STEPS CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES CHURCH INC.** will be 5186 SE 14th Pl, Ocala, Florida. The location of the principal office may be changed from time to time by amendment to these by-laws.

ARTICLE II- PURPOSE

(A) The specific purpose of this Church shall be to promote the religious beliefs and works of the Church. It is formed and is to operate exclusively for such purposes as if qualified as an exempt organization under Section 501(c) (3) or 503~) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or 508 (c) Internal Revenue Code of 1995 and comparable provisions of any federal or state tax laws. FURTHERMORE; all charitable contributions to churches are outlined in Section 170 of the IRS code and are deductible to the giver.

B) The Church is authorized to do all acts necessary or expedient to carry out and attain the purposes for which it is formed, including, but not limited to, acquiring real and personal property and borrowing money.

(C) The property of this Church is irrevocably dedicated to religious purposes and no part of the net income or assets of this Church shall ever inure to the benefit of private persons, except that the Church 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 this Article.

(D) Upon the dissolution or winding up of the Church, its assets, remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of this Church, shall be distributed to a non-profit fund, foundation, or organization which is organized and operated exclusively for religious or charitable purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under Section 501 (c)(3) or 503~) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or Section 508(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1995.

(E) No substantial part of the activities of this Church shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Church shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign (including the publishing or publishing and distributing of statements) on behalf of any candidate for public office.

ARTICLE III- MEMBERSHIP

(A) There shall be two classes of members of this Church. The first class of members shall be known as voting members and they shall comprise the governing Board of Elders. The second class of members shall be known as associate members and shall have no vote.

(B) Voting members of this Church will be 18 years old or older and will be accepted into voting status by a majority vote of the existing voting members. The initial voting members will be those signing the Church Agreement. Voting members names, their addresses and Voting status will be recorded in the membership book.

(C) Associate members of this Church shall be any person who is ordained as a minister of the Church and/or who contributes funds or other property to this Church, unless he or she is, or becomes, a voting member of this Church. Associate members shall have the right to request that their names, addresses and voting status's not be entered into the membership book.

(D) Each voting member of this Church shall be entitled to one (1) vote. Associate members shall not be entitled to vote, and no notice of any meeting of the voting members of this Church need to be given to any associate members.

ARTICLE IV - LIABILITIES OF MEMBERS

No person who is now, or who later becomes a member of this Church shall be personally liable to its creditors for any indebtedness or liability, and any and all creditors of this Church shall look only to the assets of this Church.

ARTICLE V - GOVERNING BOARD OF ELDERS

(A) Number of Elders: This Church shall have three (3) governing Elders and collectively they shall be known as the governing Board of Elders. The number may be changed only by amendment of these by-laws, or the repeal of this by-law by vote of the majority of the voting members, but at no time shall the number of Elders be reduced to less than three (3).

B) Powers: Subject to limitations of other sections of the by-laws, and consistent with God's law, all powers of this Church shall be controlled by the Board of Elders who are empowered to:

1. Select and remove all the other officers, agents and employees of this Church, prescribe such powers and duties for them as may not be inconsistent with God's law, and the by-laws, *fix* their compensation and require from them security for faithful service.

2. Conduct, manage, and control the affairs and business of this Church, and to make rules and regulations not inconsistent with God's law and the by-laws.

3. Borrow money and incur indebtedness for the purposes of this Church, and for that purpose to cause to be executed and delivered, in this Church, and for that purpose to cause to be executed and delivered, in this Church's name: promissory notes, bonds, debentures, deeds of trust, mortgages, pledges, hypothecation's, or other evidence of debts and securities. This is a non-stock-holders church.

4. One signature will be required on all checks for this association. The signature will be that of the President or the Secretary, Treasure, or any other qualified person appointed.

(C) Election and Term of Office: The President/Founder shall be appointed for life. All Elders shall be appointed by the President and voting members in good standing. Any member not in agreement with this ministry is automatically terminated as defined in our Constitution. Upon the death, resignation or incapacity of a Elder, a new Elder will be elected by a majority of the remaining Elders.

ARTICLE VI - MEETINGS

(A) **Annual Meetings:** The annual meeting of the voting members of this Church shall be held at a mutually agreeable time at the principal office of this Church, or at any other place determined by the governing Board of Elders. Meetings may be called by the President or by any two (2) Elders. At least two (2) Elders shall be present before meetings may be conducted. The Board of Elders shall meet at least once each calendar year. A written notice of each meeting shall be sent to members of the Board of Elders unless the Elders agree informally to meet and all Elders are present at such meetings. However, if all Elders are not present, the meeting will be valid even if no notice is sent, provided that absent Elders sign a written consent to hold the meeting or sign a written approval of the minutes.

(B) **Special Meetings:** Special meetings of the membership of this church for any purpose or purposes may be called at any time by the President or by any two (2) Elders. Notice of the time and place of special meetings of the voting members shall be given in the same manner as the annual meeting of the voting members.

(C) **Resignations:** Any Elder may resign. The resignation will be effective on giving written notice to the President, the Secretary or the Board of Elders, unless the notice specifies a future time for that resignation to become effective. If the resignation of a Elder is effective at a future time, the Board of Elders may elect a successor to take office when the resignation is tendered.

(D) **Fees and Compensation of Elders:** Elders and members of committees may receive such compensation, if any, for their services, and such reimbursement of expenses, as may be fixed or determined by resolution of the governing Board of Elders. This Section shall not be construed to preclude any Elder from serving the Church in any other capacity as an officer, agent, employee, or otherwise and receiving compensation for those services.

ARTICLE VII- OFFICERS

(A) **Numbers and Titles:** The officers of this Church shall be a President, Vice President and a Secretary Treasurer, and such other officers as may be designated and appointed from time to time by the governing Board of Elders.

B) **Qualifications:** The officers of this church shall be in agreement with the ideals of this ministry according to God's word

(C) **Election and Terms of office:** The President, Vice President, and Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected by the Board of Elders from among its members at the first Board Meeting. Such Officers shall serve until their successors are elected and installed.

D) **Duties of officers:**

1. **President:** The President shall preside at all meetings of the members of this Church and at the Board of Elders. He or she shall represent the Church on all appropriate occasions.

2. **Vice-President:** The V/P shall serve in place of the President when he is not available.

3. Secretary: The Secretary shall keep an accurate record of the transactions of all business meetings of the members of this Church and of the Board of Elders. The Secretary shall be responsible for posting notice, and notifying members by mail, of all meetings and affairs to be voted on. The Secretary shall also perform such other duties as may be imposed by law, or by these by-laws or as may be prescribed from time to time by the Board of Elders.

4. Treasurer: The Treasurer shall keep a complete account of the finances of the Church on books which shall be and remain the property of the Church and which shall be open for inspection at any reasonable time by the Elders. In addition, the Treasurer shall perform such other duties as may be imposed by law, or these by-laws or as may from time to time be prescribed by the Board of Elders.

ARTICLE VIII- RECORDS AND REPORTS

(A) Minutes of Meetings: The Church shall keep at its principal office, or at such other place as the Board of Elders may order, a book of minutes of all meetings of voting members, with the time and place of holding, whether regular or special, and if special, how authorized, the notice given, the names of those present at Elder's meetings, the number of members present at members meetings, and the proceedings thereof.

Books of Account: The Church shall keep and maintain adequate and correct accounts of its properties and business transactions, including accounts of assets, liabilities, receipts, disbursements, gains and losses.

(C) Records Available to Assessor: On request of an assessor, the Church shall make available at its principal office or at a place mutually acceptable to the assessor and to the Board of Elders, a true copy of business records relevant to the amount, cost and value of real property, subject to local assessment, which it owns, claims, possesses or controls within the country.

(1)) Inspection of Records by Elders: The Books of account shall at all reasonable times be open to inspection by any Elder. Every Elder shall have the right at any time to inspect all books, records, documents of every kind, and the physical properties of this Church. Such inspection may be made in person, and the right of inspection includes the right to make extracts.

(E) Financial Statement: The board of Elders will prepare a financial statement for each year, and the treasurer will sign the statement.

F) Fiscal Year: The fiscal year of this Church shall begin on the first day of January, and end on the last day of December in each year.

ARTICLE IX - BY-LAWS

(A) Adoption; These articles and by-laws shall become effective immediately on their adoption unless the Elders provide that they are to become effective at a later date.

(B) Certificate and Inspection: The original, or copy of the articles and by-laws as amended or otherwise altered to date, certified by the Secretary of this Church, shall be kept at the principal office of this Secretary of this Church, and said book shall be open to inspection by the voting members at all reasonable times during office hours.

(C) Mission Work: This Church may help in the support of other churches, missionaries and organization to further help in spreading the word and Grace of God.

(D) Amendments to by-laws: Subject to any provision of laws applicable to the amendment and restatement of articles and by-laws of non-profit organization, these by-laws may be altered, amended, or repealed and new by-laws adopted, at any annual or special meeting of the members by a majority of the voting members. Said amendments shall be recorded and permanently affixed to the original set of by-laws.

This is to certify that the above is a true and complete copy)as amended of the articles and by-laws originally adopted by the governing Board of Elders at their meeting held on the 29thth day of January, 1993.

Secretary _____



We, the undersigned, have joined for the purpose of creating a non-profit corporation and we certify that:

1. The name of this corporation is In His Steps Christian Ministries Church Inc.
2. "The purpose of the **IN HIS STEPS CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES CHURCH INC** shall be for the dissemination of the Christian religion both local and/or national. To engage in and carry on all kinds of Home and Foreign missionary work, to license and ordain elders, teachers, ministers, evangelists; thereby giving, granting, and bestowing upon them each and every ecclesiastical power, privilege and authority as Christian clergymen to publish religious literature, to establish and conduct religious schools and institutes, and to engage in any church related activities to help spread the Gospel, including, but not limited to the establishing of Churches"
- 2.a The Church shall include, but not be limited to, eleemosynary activities as a non-stock private organization not for profit in nature and function as a Bona Fide Church conducting religious services, performing religious rites and services to members and the general community at large, Funds received through the various programs are to be cycled through the Church for the support of the operational cost (including salaries, utilities, etc.), Administrative costs (salaries for officials, plus insurance, housing, and costs for travel incident to Church business),

Ministerial and Educational development to up-grade performance levels, and rehabilitational services by and through the operation of Thrift Stores, Social Service Centers, Book Stores, food banks, Institutions of learning on the primary, secondary and higher educational levels, and any other lawful undertaking for the purpose of generating funds to promote said programs. It is the central most objective of the Church to reach people through the facilities of the various programs for the express purpose of converting them to the Christian Faith. To facilitate the reality of this goal, the Church shall be authorized, under the provisions of the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America, to Ordain Bishops, Ministers, and Elders; License Ministers and Evangelists; establish Churches; perform religious services, rites and practices adhered to by the Church; receive and fund to qualified recipients; and to conduct such other activity in a lawful manner for the promotion of the intrinsic functions of the Church. Secondly, but not less in importance, the Church shall aggressively seek to serve the community and the public at large through the various programs and endeavors, plus the out-reach methods of printed material and other public media, and the levels of the Spiritual, Socio-psychological, and Physical needs. The above stated Objectives and Purposes of the Church reflect the intent, Defacto and Dejure, in the origin of this organization, and shall be guiding factors of the future operation, as in the past. Further, the services of the Church shall be open to members of all races, sexes, and national origins without discrimination against their rights to life, liberty and pursuit of happiness. **IN HIS STEPS CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES CHURCH Inc.**, is a NON-SECTARIAN CHURCH and inter-faith in nature organized under God's Law.

3. The principal office for the transaction of the business of this corporation is located in the Republic of Florida.
4. The death, removal, or resignation of any member of this corporation shall not result in the dissolution of this corporation.
5. The general management of the affairs of this corporation shall be under the control, supervision and direction of a board of Elders which shall have three members.
6. Unless otherwise indicated, section references hereinafter are to the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as in effect on January 1, 1978, and include future amendments to such sections and corresponding provisions of future Internal Revenue Laws.
7. The powers of this corporation shall be those powers permitted to be exercised by nonprofit unincorporated corporations under the laws of the State of Florida provided that no power shall be exercised by this corporation nor shall it commit any act that would invalidate their first amendment rights of religious freedom, its tax exempt status as defined under section 501(c)(3) or 503(b) IRS Code of 1954, or Section 508(c) IRS Code of 1995 and comparable provisions of any Federal or State tax law.

8. The assets of this corporation are irrevocably dedicated to the purpose of the corporation as provided above in article number two except that upon dissolution or winding up of this corporation, its assets remaining after payment of liabilities may be transferred to any organization which is exempt from tax under section 501(c)(3) or 503(b) Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or 508(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1995 and comparable provisions of any Federal or State tax laws.
9. No part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any Elder, officer or member thereof or to the benefit of any private individual or organization.
10. No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign (including the publishing or distribution of statements) on behalf of any candidate for public office.
11. Except for irrevocable provisions, these articles may be amended by a majority vote of the board of Elders.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed the amended Articles of Corporation,
commencing 25th day of August, 2000

Gregory Hoenig Pres.-5186 SE 14th Pl Ocala, Florida 34471

Gregory Hoenig

Secretary, Treasurer

