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SUBJECT: _____

(Proposed corporate name - must include suffix)

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*****87.50 *****87.50

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

☐ \$70.00
Filing Fee

☐ \$78.75
Filing Fee
& Certificate of Status

☐ \$78.75
Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

☒ \$87.50
Filing Fee,
Certified Copy
& Certificate of
Status

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: _____

Name (Printed name)

Apostle H. L. Brown

— **Apostle H. L. Brown- President** —

812 W. 14th Street

P. O. Box 67

— Lakeland, FL 33802-0067 —

EFFECTIVE DATE

05-17-00

Daytime Telephone number _____

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

W-11618

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Katherine Harris
Secretary of State

May 3, 2000

APOSTLE H.L. BROWN
P.O. BOX 67
LAKELAND, FL 33802-0067

SUBJECT: NEW TESTAMENT TABERNACLE MINISTRY INC.
Ref. Number: W00000011618

We have received your document for NEW TESTAMENT TABERNACLE MINISTRY INC. and your check(s) totaling \$87.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

In Article I please remove any reference to the Fictitious Name.

Article IV needs to be in compliance with Section 617 which is for a non profit corporation. Section 619 is for a cooperative association.

The effective date is not acceptable since it is not within five working days of the date of receipt.

Please return the original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 487-6929.

Shannon Thompson
Document Specialist

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Apostle H. L. Brown, Pastor

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Lakeland, FL 33802

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this Corporation shall be New Testament Tabernacle Ministry Inc.

ARTICLE II DEFINITIONS

- (A) THE TERM CHURCH: SHALL MEAN NEW TESTAMENT TABERNACLE MINISTRY INC.
- (B) THE APOSTLE SHALL MEAN: THE ONE WHO FOUNDED THE MINISTRY.
- (C) THE TERM TRUSTEE: SHALL MEAN BOARD OF TRUSTEES OR A MEMBER OF THE BOARD WHO WERE APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OR VICE PRESIDENT TO OCCUPY THAT POSITION, NOT MORE THAN SEVEN PERSON.
- (D) THE TERM EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS: SHALL REFER TO FOUR PEOPLE PRESIDENT, VICE, SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

EFFECTIVE DATE

05-17-00

ARTICLE III DURATION

THIS CORPORATION SHALL HAVE PERPETUAL EXISTENCE COMMENCING ON

May 17th 2000

ARTICLE IV - NOT FOR PROFIT

This Corporation is a corporation not-for profit as defined in Section ~~617.0202~~, 617.0202 Florida Statutes (1981). The Corporation is not formed for pecuniary profit but, shall not be prohibited from earning or receiving income. No part of the income or assets of the Corporation is or shall be distributive to or for the benefit of its Members, Active Members, Trustees or Officers, except as to the extent permissible under law, and in accordance with these Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE V-PURPOSES

This Sovereign Church and Corporations organized for the following exclusively charitable or religious purposes:

- A. To establish and maintain a sovereign Church for the Worship of Almighty God, our Heavenly Father.
- B. To provide for Christian Fellowship for those of like belief, regardless of denomination, affiliation or background;
- C. To propagate the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ by all means available to us, at home and in foreign lands.
- D. To encourage and support the growth and extension of Christianity through all means of communication and education, including, but not limited to , conventional methods of preaching and teaching, radio broadcasting, television broadcasting the printing or reproduction and publication of recordings, audio and video tapes and disks, books and other materials, the establishment and operation of a school or schools, and the holding and conducting of seminars, study groups, workshops, conventions, concerts, and meetings.
- E. To license and ordain ministers.
- F. To assist in the establishment and maintenance of other churches, ministries or religious institutions.
- G. To evangelize, through teaching, preaching, and the distribution of recordings, books, and tapes, of religious information.
- H. To engage in any activity lawful in the State of Florida which will further the above purposes notwithstanding the foregoing, the corporation's purposes shall be accomplished only in a manner consistent with the except purposes.

ARTICLE VI - POWERS

The Corporation shall have full power to transact and perform such acts and things as shall be necessary or appropriate for the attainment of purposes described in Article V. above, independent of the control or supervision of any authority outside itself. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing language, the Corporation shall have the power to:

- A. Acquire, receive and accept, by way of grant, gift, devise, bequest, purchase, lease or otherwise, real property and personal security interests in real property (including mortgages on or security interests in real property and receipts, notes, certificates or other instruments representing and rights or interests in real property) created or issued by any person, firm, association, corporation or government or subdivision thereof, and including chattel mortgages or security interests in personal property (including Liens, commercial paper, notes, stock

certificates, participation certificates, partnership interest, time share interest, or other interests or evidence of ownership of personal property).

- B. To exercise all right, powers, and privileges in respect to property, including the power to hold, administer, sell, encumber, pledge, convey, transfer, and dispose of, invest and reinvest such property and the income and proceeds thereof.
- C. To use, apply or disburse any of its property or the income or proceeds thereof, exclusively for or toward any one or more of the purposes as enumerated in Article V.
- D. To borrow money, issue bonds, debentures, notes or to create or issue other obligations or securities.
- E. To receive tithes, offerings, gifts, ~~bequests~~^{bequests} and other income and to solicit funds and raise money to fulfill the above stated purpose.
- F. To receive gifts or conveyances in trust and to hold properties in trust for the purposes set forth above.
- G. To exercise the corporate powers as set forth in Section 617.21 of the Florida Statutes, as it exists upon the effective date of these Articles of Incorporation and to exercise such corporate powers as shall be added to Section 617.21 Florida Statutes, or its successor at anytime in the future.
- H. To take any other lawful action reasonable or necessary to the accomplishment of the purposes described in Article V.

ARTICLE VII - LIMITATIONS

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributive to its Members, Active Members, Trustees, or Officers, but 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 V hereof.

ARTICLE VIII - MEMBERSHIP

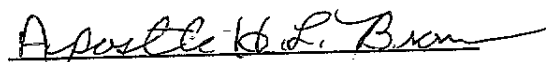
The Corporation has, and shall continue to have Members, who may attain their status as such in the manner provided in the Corporation's Bylaws. The right and privileges provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation, and a Member's status or membership may be limited or terminated by the Corporation or may be terminated by the Member in accordance with the Bylaws of the Corporation.

Members who are at least sixteen years of age, and who, for the term of their Membership or during the period of three months next prior to any record date (as described in the Bylaws of the Corporation) have attended the majority of the Corporation's services (as described in the Bylaws of the Corporation), have supported the Corporation with their tithes and offerings to the church's General fund, and who are (Living consistent Christian lives, and who are in agreement with the sixteen Tenets of Faith described in Article VI of the Bylaws of the Corporation, shall qualify and be regarded as active members of the Corporation, and the Corporation in addition to their rights as members.


So long as the Bylaws of the Corporation contain provisions relating to quorum and voting requirements sufficient to provide notice of membership, the provisions of Chapter 607, Florida Statutes, relating to meetings and activities of shareholders, shall not apply to Members of the Corporation.

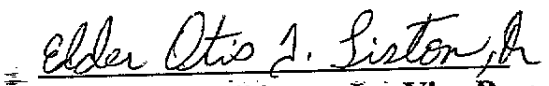
ARTICLE ~~XX~~ - INCORPORATORS


The name and address of those subscribing to these **Articles of Incorporation** are as follows:

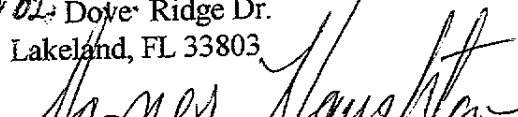

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Sis. Roberta Roberts - Treasurer
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902 Dove Ridge Dr.
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Sis. Pamela Sloan Liston, Asst. Sect.
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Sis. Agnes Haughton - Asst. Treasurer
390 Carol Blvd. Apt.#8
Auburndale, FL 33823

ARTICLE X INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The oversight of the business affairs of the Corporation shall be vested in the Executive Board of Directors which is made up of the President, Apostle H. L. Brown, Vice Pres. Elder Otis T. Liston, Jr., Secretary, Sis. Joyce E. Monson, and Asst. Sect., Sis. Pamela Sloan Liston,

The members of the Board of Trustees shall consist of persons appointed by the pastor and vice president and consist of officers who shall be elected to their positions by the members of the

~~Board of Trustees~~ The number of persons constituting the trustees board shall never be less than three members. The number of persons may be increased or decreased, from time to time in accordance with the Bylaw. The pastor shall nominate persons to serve on the board of trustees, and the active members shall ratify or confirm the nominated, At an annual meeting held in accordance with the Bylaws of the corporation. The initial pastor shall be the overseer of the corporation until unable to perform his duty or his home going.

The officers of the Corporation shall consist of the Pastor (who shall be the President of the Corporation and chairman of the board of Trustees; and such other officers as may be described in the bylaws. Officers must be active members of the Corporation, but need not be members of the Board of Trustees. Each officer (other than the Pastor)) shall be nominated by the Pastor, elected by the members of the Board of Trustees and ratified by the active members of the church, at such time and in such manner as may be set forth in the bylaws. Officers and Trustees other than the Pastors may be removed by a vote of the members of the Board of Trustees or by action of the Pastors in the manner provided in the bylaws. The Pastors may be removed only by resignation or death.

ARTICLE XII - BYLAWS

The initial bylaws of the Corporation are to be made and adopted by the board of trustees, but must be ratified or confirmed by the active members of the Corporation before they become effective. The bylaws of the corporation may be altered, amended or rescinded by a majority vote of Board of Trustees, followed by retification or confirmation by a majority of the Active members of the Corporation present at a meeting called for that purpose, with the change (whether an alteration, amendment or recession) to become effective only after ratification or confirmation by the active members of the Corporation. Under Section 617,002, Florida Statutes, the provisions of Section 607,081, Florida Statues (1981) as amended from time to time, shall govern the Bylaws.

ARTICLE XIII AMENDMENT

The Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment to the, and all rights and privileges conferred upon the members, trustees, and officers are subject to this reservation., amendments to these article of incorporation may be adopted only in the following manner:

1. Any active member of the corporation may propose an amendment to the articles of incorporation by submitting the proposed amendment, in writing, to the board of trustees at least ten days prior to any regularly scheduled meeting of the board of trustees. Alternatively, and active member of the corporation may propose an amendment by submitting the proposed amendment, in writing, to the pastors at least thirty days before the annual meeting of the active members of the corporation, and the pastors shall then bring the proposed amendment to the attention of the members of the board of trustees at any regular or special meeting of the members of the board trustees prior to

the annual meeting the active members of the corporation. The time limitations in this paragraph (Article XIV, Section I) may be waived by unanimous vote of the members of the board of trustees at any meeting at which both the pastors and quorum are present.

2. The board of trustees shall consider the proposed amendment at any regular meeting, or, in the case of the submission of a proposed amendment from an active member to the pastors prior to the annual meeting of the active members of the corporation, any special meeting, and the board of trustees may decide to submit the proposed amendment to the active members without any recommendation. If the board of trustees votes to reject the proposed amendment, the proposed amendment shall be considered rejected by the corporation, and not further meeting or vote of the active members shall be required in connection with the proposed amendment. Once a proposed amendment is rejected by the board of trustees, neither it nor any substantially similar proposed amendment shall be submitted to the board of trustees for a period of six months from the date of rejection by the board of trustees, unless the board of trustees votes unanimously to waive this requirement.

3. If the board of trustees submits a proposed amendment to the membership in accordance with article XIV, section 2, above, the active members shall vote on the proposed amendment at the annual meeting of the active members of the corporation or at the annual meeting of active members of the corporation or at any other special meeting of the active members of the corporation or at any other special meeting of the active members of the corporation called for that purpose in accordance with the bylaws of the corporation called for that purpose in accordance with the bylaws of the corporation.

A vote two-thirds (2/3) of the active members present shall be required to adopt an amendment to these articles of incorporation. For the purposes of this article XIV, only active members of the corporation in good standing on the record date (as set forth in the Bylaws of the corporation) next prior to the time of the annual or special meeting of the active members of the corporation at which a proposed amendment is considered and voted upon shall have the right to vote on, or express themselves regarding, the proposed amendment.

Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in these articles of incorporation or the Bylaws of the corporation, no amendment or repeal of any provision of these articles of incorporation shall be effective if such amendment or repeal is inconsistent with the exempt purposes set forth in article V, above.

ARTICLE XIV - NONSTOCK BASIS

The corporation is organized and shall be operated on a nonstock basis within the meaning of the Florida not-for-profit corporation act, and shall not have the power to issue shares of any type or class of stock or other certificates or writing evidencing an ownership or proprietary interest in the corporation.

ARTICLE XV - INDEMNIFICATION

The corporation shall indemnify any officer or trustee, or after the date of effective date of these amended and restated article of incorporation, and the former officer or trustees, in accordance with the provisions of section 617.028, Florida statutes or the bylaws of the corporation. Only for the purposes of determining a right to indemnification under this article or section 617.028 Florida statutes, members of the board of trustees of the corporation shall be considered the equivalent of "directors."

ARTICLE XVI - TAX EXEMPT STATUS

It is the intention of this corporation at all times to qualify and remain qualified as exempt from Federal and Florida income taxes as same may from time to time be amended. Accordingly:

A. The corporation is not to have authority to issue capital stock

B. The corporation shall not be conducted or operated for profit, and no part of the net earnings of the corporation shall insure to be a benefit of any member or individual nor shall any of such net earnings nor any of the property or assets of the initial board of trustees.

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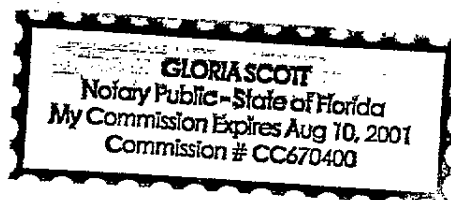
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State of FLORIDA
County of POLK

On April 20, 2000, the above persons personally known to me and appeared before me and attested all statements are true.

Gloria Scott, Notary



REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

Pursuant to the provisions of sections 607.0501 or 617.0501, Florida Statutes, the undersigned corporation, organized under the laws of the state of Florida, submit the following statement in designating the registered office/registered agent in the state of Florida.

The name of the corporation is: New Testament Tabernacle Minsitry, Inc.

The name of address of the registered agent is:

Apostle Herbert L. Brown - 812 W 14th Street - Lakeland, FL 33805

Church Location: - 335 W. Memorial Blvd - Lakeland, FL 33815

corporation ADDRESS MAILING.

P.O.BOX 67 LAKELAND, FL. 33802-0067

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.

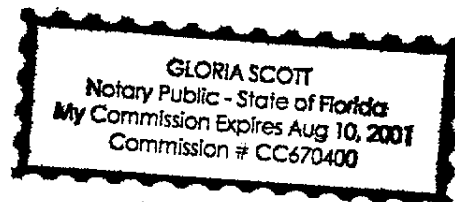
Signature Apostle H. L. Brown
Incorporator and Registered Agent

DATE 12/19/1999

*State of Florida
County of Polk*

Done this 9th day of December, 19, 1999

*Gloria Scott,
Notary*



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