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Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc.

4501 Birchwood Parkway P.O. Box 33975, LaBelle, FL 33975

January 25, 2001



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Department of State Division of Corporations P.O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc.

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for \$87.50 which is the amount for the filing fee, certified copy and a certificate. Thank you for your prompt filing of this document and the return of the certified copy and certificate.

Sincerely,

Daryl D. Edgar

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION of

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TALLAHASSEE FLORIDA

Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc.

We, the Incorporators: Daryl D. Edgar, P. O. Box 2361, 4013 Albany Road, LaBelle, FL 33975; Marsha D. Edgar, P. O. Box 2361, 4013 Albany Road, LaBelle, FL 33975; and Bruce Cooper, P. O. Box 771, 4805 Cornelia Drive, LaBelle, FL 33975; being natural persons of the age of eighteen years or more and citizens of the United States, desiring to form a corporation, Florida not for profit, under the provisions of Chapter 617, Florida Statues, do hereby execute the following Articles of Incorporation

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation shall be: Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc. The Corporation is a religious non-profit corporation. The duration of the corporation shall be and is perpetual.

ARTICLE II

The initial Board of Trustees shall be not less than three and the following persons, shall serve said corporation as trustees until the first annual meeting or other meeting called to elect trustees or as so determine by the Code of Regulations of said corporations. The initial Board of Trustees shall be: Daryl D. Edgar, P. O. Box 2361, 4013 Albany Road, LaBelle, FL 33975; Marsha D. Edgar, P. O. Box 2361, 4013 Albany Road, LaBelle, FL 33975; and Bruce Cooper, P. O. Box 771, 4805 Cornelia Drive, LaBelle, FL 33975.

ARTICLE III

The registered office of Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc. is 4501 Birchwood Parkway, P. O. Box 1797, LaBelle, FL 33975; and the name of the registered agent is Daryl D. Edgar, 4013 Albany Road, P. O. Box 2361, LaBelle, FL 33975; upon whom any process, notice of demand required or permitted by statute to be served upon the corporation may be served. The complete address of the agent is: 4013 Albany Road, P. O. Box 2361, LaBelle, FL 33975.

ARTICLE IV

The purposes of this corporation shall be as follows: to operate exclusively for religious, charitable, educational and distinct ecclesiastical purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or any superseding statute thereto, and such purposes shall include the following:

(A). Religious

(B). To form a fellowship of like minded people who preach the Word of God and to provide spiritual covering for ministers associated with Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc.

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(C). To conduct a local church and churches 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:

- (1). A recognized Creed, Code of Doctrine, discipline and form of worship shall be established.
 - (2). An ecclesiastical form of government shall be established.
- (3). Ordination of ministers upon completion of the prescribed course of study, designated by this religious organization.
- (4). An organization of ministers shall be established to minister to the congregation of Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc. and all churches in fellowship and/or affiliated with Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc.
- (5). An organization of churches shall be established to form a way and method of fellowship among the ordained ministers and members of this organization. This organization of churches shall be established based upon acceptance of a recognized creed and belief and support of this corporation: Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc.
- (6). Spread the Word of the Gospel through seminars, radio, television, world wide web, establishment of church literature, and other forms of mass media for the purpose of educating the individual in the Word of God.
- (7). 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 Sunday schools and religious schools for Christians and educational instruction to the young and to the old.
- (8). Establishment of a Bible Training School or School of Theology (not considered secondary educational institutions) for the preparation of ministers who will be ordained and/or minister to the local church or churches and those in affiliation with Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc.
 - (9). Minister the Word of God to the faithful and all others.
- (10). Promote and encourage, through the ministry of the organization, cooperation with other organizations ministering within the community and all other areas.
- (11). To acquire and hold such property, either real or personal, for religious purposes, as may be necessary for its membership and the worship of God.

ARTICLE V

In accordance with and in addition to the powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida, the purpose of Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc. is to engage in any

lawful act or activity for which non-profit corporations may be organized under the general corporation law of Florida and shall also have the following powers:

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- (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, including the issuance of bonds or other instruments of credit.
- (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, cable television, and world wide web.
- (e). To acquire, own, and operation such broadcasting and/or telecasting facilities and/or a World Wide Web site.
 - (f). To issue annuities and to enter into gift-annuity contracts.
- (g). To accept property and donations in trust for religious or charitable purposes or to perform any of the above purposes of said organization.
- (h). To acquire, hold, own, sell, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, or otherwise dispose of shares of the capital stock, bonds, obligations or other securities of other corporations, domestic or foreign, as investments or otherwise, in carrying out any of the purposes of the Corporation and, while the owner thereof, to exercise all rights, powers and privileges of ownership, including the power to vote thereon.

ARTICLE VI

Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc. is not organized for pecuniary gain or profit, nor shall it have any power to issue certificates of stock or declare dividends, and no part of its net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any members, directors, trustees, or individuals, except that Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc. shall have authority and be empowered to pay and to be paid a reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article II hereof. No substantial part of the activities of Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc. shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc. shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) a political campaign. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc. shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by:

(a) A corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law) or,

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(b) A corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c)
 (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law).

ARTICLE VII

In the event of the dissolution of the corporation, or in the event it shall cease to carry out the objectives and purposes herein set forth, all of the business, property and assets of the corporation shall go and be distributed to such non-profit corporation qualifying as an organization exempt under the provisions of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or any superseding statute thereof, and as an organization qualifying as a public charity under the provisions of Section 509 (a) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or any superseding statue, as the Directors or 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 to members, either for the reimbursement of any sum subscribed, donated or contributed by such members, or for any other such purpose. Any such 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 located, exclusively for such purposes, or the organizations as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE VIII

This corporation is organized pursuant to the provisions of the Florida Non-profit Corporation Code. All Trustees of this corporation now in good and regular standing, and such other members as the Board of Trustees shall from time to time admit to membership, shall be members of this corporation.

ARTICLE IX

The business and property of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of Trustees. The present Trustees now duly constituted and elected shall constitute the Board of Trustees and they shall hold their offices permanently and so far as may be until their lifestyle deems otherwise. In the event of the inability of any trustee to act, or in the event of the death of any trustee, the remaining trustees shall elect another trustee, or trustees, to fill the vacancy or vacancies, thus created. The manner in which the Trustees of the corporation shall be elected or appointed shall be governed by the provisions of the

By-laws of the corporation. Each trustee shall be a member in good standing of the corporation and shall have the following powers and authority:

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- (a). The trustees in their collective capacity shall be known as the Corporate Board of Trustees and under that name shall constitute the governing body, and shall conduct and transact all business of the corporation.
- (b). The trustees shall have the power and authority to hold an annual meeting of the Board of Trustees and may likewise hold special meetings as may be determined by the Board of Trustees. The annual meeting, if and when held, shall be held at the offices of the Corporation in Florida on the first Monday of February, in each year at the hour of 7:00 PM of such day, or as soon thereafter in each year as is possible for the trustees to call such meeting; and any special meetings may be held at such time and place as the trustees may determine.
- (c). The Board of Trustees shall have and is hereby given power and authority to provide for the qualifications and requirements for membership for the local congregations which without doctrinal provisions or terminology shall primarily require a belief in the Christian religion and in salvation of men through faith in the shed blood of Jesus Christ as the only atonement made for sin, and in the Godhead, and the Church as one Spiritual body made up of all true believers and shall provide the means and manner of admission of membership, which admission shall be free of charge therefore, and shall likewise provide means for suspension from its membership
- (d). The Board of Trustees shall have authority and power, which is hereby given, to provide suitable and proper means and religious ceremony and required tests and qualifications for entrance into the ministry of this organization, hereby being established and organized, by and through the means as established and administered that any and all applicants may be inducted into the ministry thereby license, commission, or full ordination with all church authority possible for any church or ecclesiastical body to be given or to possess or to administer, giving therein authority to administer all sacred services of ecclesiastical bodies and to include all sacred and sacramental services, and to further include the marriage services and together with the sacred services of baptism.
- (e). The Board of Trustees shall have the authority and power, which is hereby given, to establish, institute, operate and maintain local churches and all such additional departments, associations, institutions, schools, mission stations, programs, and/or any and all such other vehicles as may be deemed appropriate and advisable by said Board of Trustees for the propagation of the Gospel of any and all Christian and religious worship within the United States of America and/or in any other country.
- (f). The Board of Trustees shall have the power and authority to negotiate or designate agents to negotiate all of the business transactions, all receipts and all disbursements, for any such additional departments, associations, institutions, schools, mission stations, programs, and/or any and all such other vehicles established or instituted by this corporation.

(g). A majority of the trustees shall constitute a quorum for the transaction by the Board of Trustees of any and all business, in accordance to the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE X

The place where the business of Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc. shall be transacted is |LaBelle, FL 33975, which said principal office shall be: 4501 Birchwood Parkway, in the City of LaBelle, County of Hendry, and State of Florida. The postal address of Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc. shall be P.O. Box 1797, LaBelle, FL 33975.

This action hereby known as the Articles of Incorporation was taken by unanimous written consent of all Incorporators of this corporation in accordance with the appropriate statutes of the State of Florida.

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Subscribed and sworn to by Daryl D. Edgar, Marsha D. Edgar, and Bruce Cooper,

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ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT OF STATUTORY AGENT

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SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE FLORIDA

The undersigned, being at least a majority of the incorporators of Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc. hereby appoint Daryl D. Edgar to be statutory agent upon whom any process, notice of demand required or permitted by statute to be served upon the corporation may be served. The complete address of the agent is:

4013 Albany Rd., P. O. Box 2361

LaBelle, FL 33975

This appointment is also stated within the Articles of Incorporation of Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc. in Article III.

Dary D. Edgar, Incorporator

Marsha D. Edgar, Incorporator

Bruce Cooper, Incorporator

ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

I, Daryl D. Edgar, having been named as registered agent in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation of Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc., hereby agree to accept service of process for the Freedom Fellowship Ministries, Inc., 4501 Birchwood Parkway, P. O. Box 1797, LaBelle, FL 33975. I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

Daryl D. Edgar, Registered Agent 4013 Albany Road, P. O. Box 2361

LaBelle, FL 33975