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FROM: Robert Bennett
Name (Printed or typed)

<u>407-213-2622</u> Daytime Telephone number

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

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

HOLY FIRE MINISTRIES, INC.

(A Corporation not for profit)

O MR S MA C S S We, the undersigned, with other persons being desirous of forming a Corporation not for profit under the provisions of Chapter 617, or Florida Statures, do hereby agree and certify as follows:

ARTICLE 1

The name of the Corporation shall be Holy Fire Ministries, Inc.

ARTICLE 2

- 1. General. The general purpose of thins Corporation shall be to operate exclusively for charitable, religious, scientific and educational purposes, and in furtherance of such goals is authorized to do any and all activities which is empowered to do under Article 11 herein; provided, however, that nothing herein shall be construed as allowing any activities which would jeopardize the Corporation's tax-exempt status or otherwise be inconsistent with its classification as an organization described in Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code in effect at any time.
- 2. Specific. The nature of the objectives and purposes of this Corporation shall be to minister to the spiritual and physical needs of the aged, hungry, homeless and other disadvantaged groups or Central Florida and beyond, by providing the following, among other items and services on an as needed basis.
 - (A) Spiritual guidance concerning their own personal lives in accordance with the teachings of Christian Faith, through regularly scheduled church services and classes.
 - (B) The establishment of temporary food distribution centers, home health advisors, transportation services as may be deemed necessary from time to time to ensure the elderly, shut-ins and others receive transportation to various appointments, and sites as may be required from time to
 - (C) Provide assistance in obtaining temporary and permanent employment, as well as vocational training to those desiring to better their earning capability and standard of living.
 - (D) Provide individual and group counseling for drug, alcohol, and other life threatening depressing problems such as abuse including but not limited to family counseling.
 - (E) Providing emergency food parcels for families and individuals who have a temporary need for such assistance, including but not limited to such necessary items as food, clothing, shelter and medical referrals.
 - (F) Solicitation of funds, from individuals and businesses for the support required to establish, erect, operate and maintain these facilities.
 - (G) Training of personnel for work of the ministry to the hungry, homeless, and to those being rehabilitated from drug and alcohol dependency.

ARTICLE 3 – QUALIFICATION OF MEMBERS

The membership of this Corporation shall be determined as set forth in the By-Laws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE 4 ~ TERM OF EXISTENCE

This Corporation is to exist perpetually.

ARTICLE 5 – INCORPORATORS

The names and addresses of the incorporators to these articles are:

Name Robert Bennett Martin Young Address 5451 Pecos Street 3124 Landtree Circle Address 1 Orlando, Florida Orlando, Florida Zip 32807 32812

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ARTICLE 6 – OFFICERS

Section 1. The Officers of the Corporation shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and such other officers as may be provided in the By-Laws.

Section 2. The names of persons who are to serve as officers of the Corporation until the first meeting of the Board of Directors are:

President: Robert Bennett Vice President: Martin Young

Secretary/ Treasurer: Barbara J. Long

Section 3. The Officers shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Board of Directors or as provided in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE 7 - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. The business affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by the Board of Directors. This Corporation shall have Three (3) directors initially. The number of Directors may be increased from time to time, by the By-Laws but shall never be less than three (3).

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall be elected and hold office in accordance with the By-Laws.

Section 3. The names and addressed of the persons who are to serve as members of the Board of Directors for the ensuing year or until the first annual meeting of the Corporation are:

President – Robert Bennett, 5451 Pecos Street, Orlando, Florida 32807 Vice President – Martin Young, 3124 Landtree Circle, Orlando, Florida 32812 Secretary/Treasurer – Barbara J. Long, 5451 Pecos Street, Orlando, Florida 32807

ARTICLE 8 - BY-LAWS

Except as otherwise provided by law, the power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal the By-Laws shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE 9 - AMENDMENTS

This Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment hereto, and any right conferred upon the members is subject to this reservation.

ARTICLE 10 - INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The initial registered office for this Corporation shall be located at 5451 Pecos Street, Orlando, Florida 32807, and the initial registered agent of the Corporation at the address shall be 5451 Pecos Street, Orlando, Florida 32807. The Corporation may change its registered agent or the location of its registered office or both, from time to time without amendment of these Articles of Incorporation. The Principal address is the same.

ARTICLE 11 - POWERS

Said Corporation is to have the power to do any and all things necessary or expedient for carrying out the said objections and purposes of the Corporation and in general to possess all rights, privileges and immunities, and enjoy all the benefits granted corporations of similar character under the law of the State of Florida. These powers shall include, but are not limited to;

- Erect (build), purchase, enter into lease agreements, and maintain and upgrade church buildings, social halls, business offices, school buildings and facilities, recreational facilities, parsonages, and such other structures as are deemed necessary.
- Collect, solicit and accept funds, gifts, and other subscriptions necessary to purchase, lease, and or maintain all facilities used for the stated purposes of the Corporation.
- Conduct church services, Bible studies, Christian counseling, as well as any and all activities and programs incidental thereto.
- 4. All powers necessary to carry out the general and specific purposes of the Corporation.

ARTICLE 12 - PROHIBITED ACTIVITES

Notwithstanding that provisions of this article, nothing herein shall be construed to permit the Corporation to engage in any activity which would be inconsistent with its classification as an organization described in Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended from time to time. As such, the Corporation shall not allow any expenditure of an part of the net earnings of the Corporation to ensure to the benefit of any member, director, or officer of the Corporation, or any private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for the services rendered to or for the Corporation, or any private individual, be entitled to share in a distribution of the Corporation's assets on dissolution of the Corporation, nor shall a substantial part of the activities of the said Corporation be the carrying on of any propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, the Corporation shall not participate or intervene (including the publication and distribution of statements) in the political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Provided, further, that if at any time the Corporation is deemed to be Private Foundation as defined by Section 509 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended from time to time, then for so long as the Corporation is deemed a Private Foundation, the following provisions shall also be applicable.

- The Corporation shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner
 as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the
 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- The Corporation shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4943 (C) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- 3. The Corporation shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943 (C) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax law.
- The Corporation shall make any investments in such a manner as to subject it to tax under Section 4944 of The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax law.
- The Corporation shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945 (C) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax law.

ARTICLE 13 - DISTRIBUTION UPON DISSOLUTION

Upon the liquidation, dissolution or the winding up of the affairs of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation shall be distributed exclusively to charitable, religious, scientific, and literary, or educational organizations which are then qualified under the provision of Section 501 (c) (3) of the

Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, or any equivalent section of the Internal Revenue Code in effect at any time.

ARTICLE 14 - MEETINGS

Section 1. The annual meeting for the election of members and the Board of Directors shall be held on the 15th. Of June each year at 2:00 p.m. at the registered office of the Corporation, or at such time and place as may be provided by the By-Laws.

Section 2. The Corporation may provide in its By-Laws for the holding of additional meetings and any special meetings as may be provided by the By-Laws.

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above named corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

Signature/Registered Agent

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Signature/Incorporator

3-15-2001 Date

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