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SUBJECT: JERUSALEM MINISTRIES, INC.
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Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for :

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FROM: JERUSALEM MINISTRIES
Name (Printed or typed)

P.O. BOX 903
Address

KEECHOBEE, FLORIDA 34973
City, State & Zip

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Katherine Harris
Secretary of State

April 3, 2001

JERUSALEM MINISTRIES
P. O. BOX 903
OKEECHOBEE, FL 34973

SUBJECT: JERUSALEM MINISTRIES, INC.
Ref. Number: W01000007386

We have received your document for JERUSALEM MINISTRIES, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$131.25. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

Section 617.0202(d), Florida Statutes, requires the manner in which directors are elected or appointed be contained in the articles of incorporation or a statement that the method of election of directors is as stated in the bylaws. (SEE PAGE 8)

The document must contain a registered agent with a Florida street address and a signed statement of acceptance. (i.e. I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities of Registered Agent.) (SEE PAGE 10)

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.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
JERUSALEM MINISTRIES, INC.

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STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF OKEECHOBEE

TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA:

We, the undersigned subscribing incorporates, being persons legally competent to enter into contracts, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida providing for the formation of religious, educational, and benevolent corporation, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of said corporation shall be JERUSALEM MINISTRIES, INC.

ARTICLE II

LOCATION

The place in Florida where the principal office of the corporation is to be located is Okeechobee County; 912 NW 2nd Street / PO Box 903, Okeechobee, Florida 34973.

ARTICLE III

PURPOSES

The purposes for which said corporation is formed are:

- (a) To disseminate the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the Word of God, to the end that people may be evangelized and believers may be conformed to the image of Jesus Christ; (Mark 16:15-16, Isaiah 6:8, Acts 13:47, II Corinthians 5:20) to regularly assemble for fellowship to worship God in Spirit and in Truth (St. John 4:24; Hebrews 10:25) and to cooperate in the building up of the whole body of Christ. (Ephesians 2:19-22).
- (b) To provide basic New Testament discipleship to all who are approved for this purpose by the Elders. (Acts 14:20-23, Acts 6:7, Acts 11:26)
- (c) To establish and maintain a church and to provide a place of public worship and prayer in accordance with the directions of the Holy Spirit (I Kings 8:28-29, Psalms 96:9, 122:1, I Corinthians 5:4); to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ through the preaching and teaching of the Bible to bring the unsaved to Christ (Mark 16:15; Romans 1:15-16, I Thessalonians 5:9, II Thessalonians 2:13, II Timothy 3:15), and to build up the saved in Christian grace and living. (Ephesians 4:11-16, Hebrews 3:1-4, I Corinthians 3:9-15) Pursuant thereto, the following activities and guidelines shall be established:
 - 1. A recognized Statement of Faith, Code of Doctrine, discipline and form of worship shall be established. (Acts 8:37, 15:11, 16:31, Romans 4:20-25, 10:9-11, I Thessalonians 4:14-17, I Peter 1:21)
 - 2. A biblical form of government shall be established. (Exodus 18, Ephesians 4:8-11, I Corinthians 12:27-31)
 - 3. Ordination of ministers upon completion of the prescribed course of study, designated by this church. (I Chronicles 9:22-23, Titus 1:5, I Corinthians 7:17, Acts 14:23)
 - 4. An organization of ministers shall be established to minister to the congregation of Jerusalem Ministries, Inc. (Colossians 4:17, II Timothy 1:16-18, I Corinthians 16:15, Romans 16:1)
 - 5. Establishment of a covenant fellowship based upon acceptance of and conformity to the belief of the church. (Acts 15:41, 16:5)

6. Propagate the Word of the Gospel through seminars, radio, television, establishment of Church literature, and other forms of mass media for the purpose of educating the individual in the Word of God. (Psalms 96:10, Proverbs 13:17, Mark 13:10, Acts 13:47)
 7. Establishment of various religious services pursuant to the recognized Statement of Faith, form of worship, discipline of the church and the establishment of Sunday schools and religious schools for Christians and educational instruction of children and adults to exalt the standard of Christian living and the leadership of our divine Lord and Master. (Proverbs 8:10, 13:1, Zephaniah 3:7, II Timothy 3:16)
 8. Establishment of a Bible Training School or School of Theology for the preparation of ministers who minister to Jerusalem Ministries and to ordain ministers and Christian workers to the edification and the unity of the Body of Christ. (Psalms 40:9-10, St. John 14:26, I Peter 4:6)
- (d) To establish and raise up a ministry of arts including banners (Psalms 20:5, 60:4, Isaiah 13:2, Song of Solomon 2:4, 6:10), the dance (Psalms 149:3, 150:4, Jeremiah 31:4), drama (Deuteronomy 11:7, Psalm 103:7, 106:2, 145:4, 11-12) and mime (Proverbs 10:19, 17:28, Ecclesiastes 9:17, Isaiah 30:15, Zephaniah 1:7).
 - (e) To send forth home and foreign missionaries to the spreading of the Gospel and in extending the Gospel of God throughout the world. (Mark 16:15-16, Acts 13:47, 4:29-30)
 - (f) To print, publish, and distribute and sell books, magazines and other literature in connection with the purposes of this church: to sell, record and reproduce tapes, radio, and television programs in connection with the purposes of this church to produce and distribute radio and television programs. (Deuteronomy 31:19, I Chronicles 16:23-24, Psalms 68:4, Revelations 14:2)
 - (g) To have the right to purchase or acquire by gift, bequest, or otherwise, either directly or as a trustee, and to own, hold in trust, use, sell, convey, mortgage, lease, or otherwise dispose of any real estate or personal property as may be necessary for furtherance of the church and Christian education; and to conduct financial campaigns to further the aims and progress of the church (Ezra 8:28; James 1:17; I Peter 4:10-11; Mark 4:24-25, Acts 2:44-45, 4:34-35; Numbers 33:53).
 - (h) To establish and raise up satellite churches and pastors to lead them; establish auxiliaries, clubs, and societies of a religious nature and to promote and encourage Christian fellowship between its members. (Acts 15:41, 16:5)

- (i) To carry on charitable work for the poor and lost (Leviticus 25:35, Matthew 25:34-40, Galatians 6:10, Mark 14:7) such as a Feed the Hungry Soup Kitchen, Food Pantry, Clothes Closet, Prison Ministry, (Psalms 142:7, 146:7, Luke 4:18, I Peter 3:19) After-care Center for released prisoners (Job 3:18, Psalms 69:33, Isaiah 49:9-10), Sick and Shut-in Ministry, unwed mother's home (Luke 1:39-40, 56) and abused wives and children's home (Exodus 22:22-24, Deuteronomy 10:18, Mark 6:35-42; Acts 6:1), and housing for the homeless and runaways (Leviticus 25:35, Proverbs 19:17, Luke 3:11, II Corinthians 8:14-15) and housing for those with addictive behavior (Luke 4:18), Drug and Alcohol Program (Isaiah 5:11, 19:14, 20-, Habakkuk 2:15; Joel 2:32, Matthew 9:12, Psalms 121:2), Elderly - duties to aged (Leviticus 19:32, Psalms 92:14, I Timothy 5:1, 5:17), Mentally Disturbed (Matthew 4:24, 17:15), care for and assist handicapped individuals (Leviticus 19:14; Isaiah 35:5, Mark 7:37, Luke 7:32, 14:13-14)
- (j) To assist the Ministers to the Body of Christ by establishing a retreat center to minister to them (Jeremiah 3:15, Psalms 37:30, Proverbs 9:9).
- (k) To own and operate Radio and Television Stations for the purpose of the dissemination of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through word and music. (Matthew 5:14-16, 10:27; II Timothy 1:8)
- (l) To provide homes for the aged (Leviticus 19:32; Psalms 71:9, Isaiah 45:20-22) and to provide child placement services (Psalms 127:3, Isaiah 54:1, Mark 10:14, Numbers 3:13).
- (m) To provide housing through new construction and renovation for those who are not otherwise able to afford such housing (Numbers 32:24, II Kings 6:1-2, I Kings 9:17-18, Leviticus 25:29-31, Isaiah 65:21, Jeremiah 29:5).
- (n) To establish and maintain a Lending Library of books and tapes for members of the church who cannot afford to purchase the same, (Psalms 68:11, Mark 14:7, Galatians 6:10, Mark 13:10, I Timothy 6:18, Romans 12:13).
- (o) To receive tithes, offerings and property by gift, devise or bequest subject to the laws relating to the transfer of property by gift or will. (Acts 4:34-37, II Chronicles 31:3-7, Leviticus 27:30, Luke 6:38, I Corinthians 16:1-2)
- (p) To employ qualified counsel and other necessary personnel to carry out the purposes of this church. (Titus 3:13, James 5:4)
- (q) To do all those things allowed and permitted to it under law and specifically those set forth in the State of Florida Non-Profit Corporation Code.

ARTICLE IV

EXEMPT PURPOSES

The corporation is organized exclusively for religious purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501©(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, 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 its purposes. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these articles, the 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©(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170©(2) of the internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Trustees shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for religious purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under section 501©(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Trustees shall determine.

ARTICLE V

INITIAL TRUSTEES

The following persons, not less than three, shall serve said corporation as trustees until the first annual meeting or other meetings called to elect trustees.

Carolyn Brown	942 NE 14 th Avenue, Okeechobee, FL 34972
Paula Howard	6120 NE 72 nd Circle West, Lot 7, Okeechobee, FL 34972
Shelby Scott	1002 NW 7 th Street Okeechobee, FL 34972

ARTICLE VI

MEMBERSHIP/FELLOWSHIP

The following shall be the conditions and regulations of membership/fellowship.

The conditions and regulations of membership/fellowship and the rights, duties, and other privileges of membership/fellowship shall be determined and fixed by the Bylaws. The Board of Trustees shall have the power and authority to provide for any additional qualifications and requirements for membership which shall primarily require a belief in the Christian religion and in the salvation of men by grace through faith in the shed blood of Jesus Christ, the church as one Spiritual Body made up of all true believers who voluntarily subscribe to the Church's tenets of faith and agree to be governed by the Church's Constitution and Bylaws. The Board of Trustees may provide for numerical limits upon membership and the manner of admission of membership, which admission shall be free of charge therefore. 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 Church.

Section 1. CLASSES OF MEMBERS. The membership of the church shall be two (2) classes of membership: members of the congregation (nonvoting) and the Board of Trustees members (voting).

Section 2. VOTING RIGHTS. No members of the congregation shall be entitled to any voting rights, rather, all voting rights and management of the Church are reserved in the Board of Trustees.

This church shall issue no stock. No part of the net earnings of this church shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, directors, officers, or other private persons except that this 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 these Articles. No substantial part of the activities of this church shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting, to influence legislation. This church shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office, including the publishing or distribution of statements.

ARTICLE VII
AMENDMENTS

Amendments to this Articles of Incorporation may be proposed by a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees. After notification to the members of the proposed amendments, such amendments shall be adopted by the Board of Trustees by an affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the Trustees present and voting at a meeting at which a quorum is present.

ARTICLE VIII
CHURCH DEBTS

No member of Jerusalem Ministries, Inc. shall be liable for its debts nor shall any members property be so liable.

ARTICLE IX
CHURCH SOVEREIGNTY

The church shall be a sovereign body, and the regulation of the internal affairs of the church shall be governed by the provisions of the Bylaws of the church.

To assure the church of its sovereignty and independence and to perpetually protect the church, all ecclesiastical and legal power and authority relative to the church shall be exercised by and in accordance with the New Testament Church pattern. Thus under the leadership of the Holy Spirit the Board of Trustees shall conduct all the business of the church and shall be the only voting members of the church.

The elders of this church shall have the right to determine who may attend church meetings and functions, because this church is not a public institution and its property is not a public place. (Acts 20:28-31; II Peter 2:1-3; I Timothy 1:20, 6:5, I Corinthians 5:1-13, II Thessalonians 3:6-15, II John 9-11, II Timothy 3:105, Titus 3:10-11, Romans 16:17)

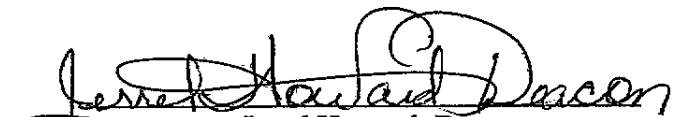
The church maintains that it has a divine mandate to practice its religion as dictated by God. Scripture states explicitly that Jesus Christ is Head of the church. (Ephesians 5:23, Colossians 1:18) "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male or female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus." (Galatians 3:28) In Christ all ethnic, social and cultural distinctions blend together harmoniously to enrich His love in this church. We therefore will extend our Christian love to "whosoever will". (Revelation 22:17) Therefore, we categorically reject any and all claims by the state (civil government) to headship or sovereignty over the church. (Exodus 8,9 and 10, Daniel 3 and 6) When earthly governments overstep their boundaries by seeking to restrict, hamper, or limit the church's obedience to Christ, we must and will obey God rather than man. (Acts 4:19, 5:29)


ARTICLE X


BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The method of election of Directors is as stated in the By-Laws.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We the Directors of Jerusalem Ministries subscribed our names, this 22nd day of MARCH, 2001.


Jerrel Howard, Deacon


Manford Clinton White, Deacon


Mark Youmans, Deacon

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF OKEECHOBEE

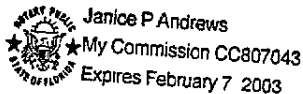
Before me, a Notary Public in and for said county and state, on this 22nd day of March, 2001 personally appeared Larry D. Andrews, Carolyn Brown, Paula Howard, and Shelby Scott to me known to be the identical persons who executed the forgoing Articles of Incorporation and acknowledged to me that they executed the same as their free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

Janice P. Andrews
Notary Public

(SEAL)

My Commission Expires: 2/7/03



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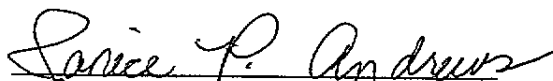
I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities of Registered Agent:

Larry D. Andrews
1002 NW 7th Street
Okeechobee, FL 34972
(863) 467-8333
(863) 357-7885




Registered Agent

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me, the undersigned Notary Public in and for
said County and State, this 22nd day of March, 2001.


Notary Public

(SEAL)

My Commission Expires:

 Janice P Andrews
My Commission CC807043
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