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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF
HIGHER CALLING INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES, INC.

A NONPROFIT CORPORATION

We the undersigned, hereby associate ourselves together for the purpose of forming a Corporation for religious, charitable, and philanthropic purposes under the laws of the State of Florida, the same being the incorporation of their church, and in accordance with the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I

The name of the Corporation shall be:

HIGHER CALLING INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES, INC.

and its principal place of business shall be in Hillsborough County, Florida, with the right to change and move said principal place of business within or without the State of Florida as the Board of Directors may deem right and proper.

ARTICLE II

1A. This congregation is organized as a church exclusively for charitable, religious, and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501 © (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Revenue Law), including, but not limited to, for such purposes, the establishing and maintaining of religious worship, the building, maintaining and operating of churches, parsonages, schools, chapels, radio stations, television stations, rescue missions, print shops, day-care centers, camps, nursing homes, and cemeteries, and any other ministries that the church may be led of God to establish.

1B. The duration of this corporation is perpetual. The corporation existence of this Corporation shall commence on the date these Articles of Incorporation are executed.

The general purpose of the business or businesses to be transacted by this Corporation, together with and in addition to the authority and powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida, shall be to do all things necessary whatsoever to collectively and spiritually encourage, guide and direct individuals towards a greater understanding of themselves and God by means of, but in no way limited to, education, worship, counseling, fellowship and community service, including but not limited to:

Providing the means, facilities, services and all other things necessary for the carrying on of the worship of God by the members of this church;

Holding in trust for the use and benefit of said church all the real estate and personal property of said church wherever located or situated;

Engaging in all activities to further the worship of God and purposes of this church.

And acquiring, owning, holding, managing, mortgaging, improving, leasing, selling, exchanging, transferring, and otherwise dealing with real, personal, and intangible property; and engaging in the transaction of any of all lawful businesses for which corporations may be incorporated pursuant to Chapter 617 of FLORIDA STATUTES and possessing all the powers and rights granted under that Chapter.

ARTICLE III (POWERS)

SECTION 1. This corporation is to have any and all power to do any and all things necessary or expedient to carry out the purposes of this corporation as may be determined by the Board of Directors of this corporation, subject to the By-Laws, and to possess all rights, privileges and immunities, and to enjoy all of the benefits granted corporations under the laws of the State of Florida.

SECTION II. 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 provision 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(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

SECTION III. The church shall also ordain and license person to the Gospel ministry; evangelize the unsaved by the proclaiming of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ; educate believers in a manner consistent with the requirements of Holy Scripture, both in Sunday and weekday schools of Christian education; maintain missionary activities in the United States and any foreign country; and engage in any other ministry that the church may decide, from time to time, to pursue in obedience to the will of God.

ARTICLE IV (NON-PROFIT STATUS)

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall after paying or making provisions for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE V (QUALIFICATION OF MEMBERS)

The membership of this corporation shall initially constitute all persons hereinafter named as subscribers, Directors, and/or officers, so long as they remain in good standing, and shall further constitute such other persons, as from time to time hereafter, may become members in the manner prescribed by the By-Laws so long as they remain in good standing.

A person shall be considered a member in good standing so long as they are obedient to the rules and By-Laws of the **HIGHER CALLING INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES, INC.** and their lives adhere to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

ARTICLE VI (PASTOR)

The spiritual and doctrinal guidance of the church shall be the responsibility of the Pastor. The Pastor shall be the chief executive officer of the Church and shall have the general oversight and supervision thereof. The Pastor shall be selected as provided in the By-Laws and shall administer his office in accordance with these Articles, the By-Laws and the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The Founding Pastor who shall serve as initial Pastor is:

REV. DARREN C. JONES
10911 N. 28TH Street
Tampa, Florida 33612

ARTICLE VII

The names and addresses of the subscribers to these Articles are:

REV. DARRREN C. JONES, 10911 N. 28TH Street, Tampa, Florida 33612
Dwight A. Hamilton, 12534 Tinsley Circle, Apt 303, Tampa, Florida 33612
Julia Morris, 6602 Orangewood Terrace, Tampa, Florida 33610

ARTICLE VIII

The officers of the corporation shall be a president, who shall be the pastor; secretary; and treasurer and such other officers as may be provided in the By-Laws.

The names of the persons who are to serve as officers of the corporation who shall hold office for the first year of the corporation or until their successors are elected or appointed are:

REV. DARREN C. JONES, PRESIDENT/CHAIRMAN/DIRECTOR
10911 N. 28TH Street, Tampa, Florida 33612
Dwight A. Hamilton, Secretary
12534 Tinsley Circle, Apt 303, Tampa, Florida 33612
Julia Morris, Treasurer
6602 Orangewood Terrace, Tampa, Florida 33610

The officers shall be selected as provided in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE IX

The business of this corporation shall be managed by the Board of Directors. This corporation shall have five (3) directors initially. The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time-to-time by the By-Laws, but shall never be less than five (3).

The Board of Directors shall be elected and hold office in accordance with the By-Laws and shall be made up of members in good standing of the corporation only.

The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as Directors for the ensuing year, or until the first annual meeting of the corporation are:

1. **REV. DARREN C. JONES, DIRECTOR AND PASTOR**
10911 N. 28TH Street, Tampa, Florida 33612
2. **Dwight A. Hamilton, DIRECTOR AND SECRETARY**
12534 Tinsley Circle, Apt 303, Tampa, Florida 33612
3. **Julia Morris, DIRECTOR AND TREASURER**
6602 Orangewood Terrace, Tampa, Florida 33610

ARTICLE X

The Board of Directors corporation may provide such By-Laws for the conduct of its business and the carrying out of its purposes as they may deem necessary from time to time.

Upon proper Notice, the By-Laws may be amended, altered, or rescinded by a majority vote of those members of the Board of Directors present at any regular meeting or any special meeting called for that purpose.

ARTICLE XI

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended at a special meeting of the membership called for that purpose, by a majority vote of those present.

Amendments may also be made at a regular meeting of the membership upon notice given, as provided by the By-Laws of intention to submit such amendments.

ARTICLE XII

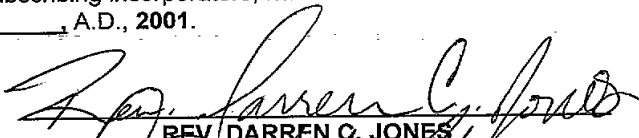


The street address of the initial ^{Principal} registered office of this corporation shall be **9010 N. 40th Street, Tampa, Hillsborough County, Florida 33604** and the name of the initial registered agent of the corporation is **DARREN C. JONES**, whose address **10911 N. 28th Street, Tampa, Hillsborough County, Florida 33612**.

ARTICLE XIII (MEETINGS)

SECTION I. The annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held on the **First Wednesday of February** each year or as determined by the By-Laws.


SECTION II. The corporation may provide in its By-Laws for the holding of additional regular meetings and any special meetings, and shall provide notice of all such meetings.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the undersigned subscribing incorporators, have hereunto set our hands and seals on the 28th day of March, A.D., 2001.


REV. DARREN C. JONES

DWIGHT A. HAMILTON

JULIA MORRIS

ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at a place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of said Act relative to keeping open said office.


REV. DARREN C. JONES

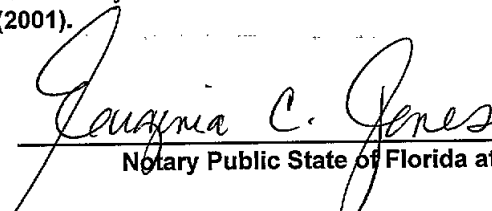
**STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH**

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public duly authorized in the State and County named above to take acknowledgments, personally appeared **REV. DARREN C. JONES, DWIGHT A. HAMILTON, JULIA MORRIS**, to me known to be the persons described as subscribers in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and they acknowledged before me that they executed and subscribed to these Articles of Incorporation.

WITNESS MY, HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL in the County and State named above this 28TH day of March, A.D., Two Thousand One (2001).



Eugenia C. Jones
MY COMMISSION # CC675737 EXPIRES
August 27, 2001
BONDED THRU TROY FAIR INSURANCE, INC.


Notary Public State of Florida at Large