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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF RESCUE THE PERISHING MINISTRIES, INC.

The following are Articles of Incorporation executed pursuant to the Florida Corporations Not-for-Profit Act, Florida Statutes, Chapter 617.

#### ARTICLE

The name of the corporation is:

RESCUE THE PERISHING MINISTRIES, INC

14214 NE 3rd Court, North Miami, F1 33161.

#### ARTICLE II

The duration of this corporation shall be perpetual. Commencement of this corporation's existence shall be the time of the filing of these Articles of Incorporation by the Department of State of the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE III

- A. This corporation is formed for the following purposes:
  - 1. 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.
  - Regularly to assemble together the members of this
    corporation for fellowship one with another both in large
    public congregations and in small fellowship groups in
    houses and in other places, to worship God in Spirit and in
    truth, and to cooperate in the building up of the whole body
    of Christ.
  - 3. To involve every participant of this corporation in its fellowship and its activities and in the ministry of the Holy Spirit through out the body of Christ.

- To strengthen the family units so that the home life of each member is healthy and fruitful by Biblical standards.
- 5. To perform the Sacraments of the Church, which include, but are not limited to, the following: to baptize believers in water; to anoint the sick with oil; to conduct weddings and funerals; to dedicate infants; to celebrate the Lord's Supper.
- 6. To act with charitable concern for and to help not only members of this corporation, but also all people in need of any help which this corporation can give, regardless of race, social position, or religious affiliation; to develop and carry out programs of social action for poor, widowed orphaned, afflicted, imprisoned, underprivileged, or aged persons, both within and without this corporation.
- 7. To pray for the needs of all people, for local and national leaders, for governments, and for all who are in authority, as instructed in I Timothy 2:1-3.
- To support and encourage communication and extension of 8. the Christian life and witness by sound and comprehensive preaching and teaching of Biblical principles to all people, both within this corporation and elsewhere, not only by conventional modes but also by all means which will accomplish such communication, extension, teaching and preaching. This should include media of communication developed by modern technology. These purposes should include to sponsor, participate in, conduct and engage in radio broadcasting, television broadcasting, the printing and teproduction and publication of books, recordings and other materials; to establish and operate a school or schools; to hold and conduct seminars, study groups, workshops and meetings by either resident or traveling minister, to receive offerings for such purposes; and to grant aid and pay reasonable compensations to persons, firms and corporations for services actually rendered for such purposes; provided however, that none of the foregoing shall be done for private profit.

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- To establish and maintain a place of worship, study, recreation and social interaction, ministering to the whole family and to the whole person, spirit, soul and body.
- 10. To recognize, support and cooperate with the various ministries established by God to equip believers to fulfill their respective functions as members of the body of Christ; and to bring the whole body of Christ to unity, maturity and completion.
- 11. To license and ordain ministers; to assist in the establishment and maintenance of other churches and other institutions; and send forth and maintain ministers, missionaries, and other workers for the establishment and upbuilding of such churches and institution, either domestic or foreign.
- 12. The purpose for which this corporation is organized are exclusively charitable, scientific, literary and educational within the meaning of Section 501c3 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.
- 13. To acquire, either by deed, gift or purchase, any real estate or personal property, to be held in trust for the benefit of the corporation and its stated purposes.
- 14. To mortgage, sell or otherwise encumber any such property when such action is deemed to be in the best interests of the corporation as defined in its stated purposes as a Christian organization.
- B. The corporation may do all and everything necessary and proper for its purposes as a non-profit corporation organized exclusively for charitable, religious, scientific and educational purposes pursuant to the Florida Corporations Not-for-Profit Act set forth in Florida Statutes, Chapter 617.

C. Not withstanding 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 of 1954 (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(3)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

#### ARTICLE IV

This corporation shall have all the powers set forth in Section 617.021, Florida Statutes.

# ARTICLE V

To be qualified as a member of this corporation or its constituent churches and fellowships, an individual must have made a profession of faith in Jesus Christ as his or her personal Savior and Lord. The individual shall be admitted to membership upon Board of Directors' approval. Membership will be based on scriptural consideration of the individual's profession of faith and on his or her practices in daily life. No one will be excluded from membership because of sex, race, national origin, or any other such distinctions.

The matter of election of directors are going to be stated in the by laws of the corporation.

#### ARTICLE VI

This article shall be a certificate designating a registered agent and a registered office.

The name and address of this corporation's initial registered office and registered agent, in compliance with Section 607.324, Florida Statues, are:

Registered agent:

Mildred Nash

Registered Office: 14214 NE 3rd Court

North Miami, FL 33161

Or such other place as the Board of Directors may designate.

I here by agree to act in the capacity as said registered agent and agree to comply with the provisions of Section 48.091, Florida Statutes. Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at the 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.

#### ARTICLE VII

The powers of this corporation shall be excreised, its properties controlled and its affairs conducted by a Board of Directors. The number of the Directors shall not be less than three (3). However, such number may be increased by a By-law duly adopted by the members of the corporation.

Directors elected at the first annual meeting, and at all times thereafter, shall serve for a term of one year or until the first annual meeting of members after they take office; and they may be re-elected. Special meetings of the membership may be called at any time on thirty (30) days' notice for the recall or replacement of a director according to established By-laws.

Any action required or permitted to be taken by the Board of Directors under any provision of law may be taken without a meeting if all members of the Board shall individually or collectively consent in writing to such action. Such written consent or consents shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the Board, and any such action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as if taken by unanimous vote in a regular meeting of the Directors. Any certificate or other document filed under any provision of law which relates to action so taken shall state that the action taken by unanimous written consent of the Board of Directors without a meeting and that the Articles of Incorporation of this corporation authorized the directors so to act. Such a statement shall be prima facie evidence of such authority.

The Board of Directors shall elect the following officers from among their own number: Pastor/President, Vice-President, Secretary/Treasurer and such other officers as the By-laws of this corporation may authorize the directors to elect from time to time. The Pastor will perform the duties of President and Chairman of the Board, but not those of Treasurer or Secretary, Assistant to the Treasurer and to the Secretary may be appointed or be hired as employees from within or without the corporate membership by resolution of the Board at its discretion.

Elected officers shall hold office one year, unless vacated for cause, and they may be re-elected. Election of officers shall be made annually by the Board of Directors at a meeting to be held with thirty (30) days after the annual general meeting.

#### ARTICLE VIII

The officers of the corporation shall be a Pastor/President, Vice-President, a Secretary/Treasurer, and such other officers as may be provided in the Bylaws.

The officers of this corporation shall also be members of the Board of Directors. The officers of this corporation, who shall also constitute some of its directors, are:

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#### **ADDRESSES**

President: Mildred Nash

14214 NE 3rd Court North Miami, FL 33161

Vice President: Eustace Douglas

14214 NE 3<sup>rd</sup> Court North Miami, FL 33161 Secretary/Treasurer: Icilda Oliver

14214 NE 3rd Court North Miami, FL 33161

# ARTICLE IX

The names and addresses of each subscriber are the same persons as set forth in Article VIII.

# ARTICLE X

The original By-laws of this corporation shall be made, prepared and adopted by the Board of Directors. Thereafter, the By-laws may be added to, rescinded or amended by the Board of Directors at a regular or at any special meeting is called, by a majority of the members present.

# ARTICLE XI

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended at a special meeting of the membership called for that purpose by a two-thirds (2/3) 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

In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the organization will be turned over to one or more organizations which them-selves are exempt as organizations described in Sections 501 c (3) and 170 c (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or corresponding sections of any prior or future law, or to the federal, state, or local government fox exclusive public purpose.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator(s) has (have) executed these Articles of incorporation this 25 DAY OF April, 2001.

Signature(s) of incorporators

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/Registered Agent

Date