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DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS

Subject JOY OF FAITH MINISTRIES

To

P.O. Box 6327

TALLAHASSEE, FL. 32314

Please find enclosed my check for \$^{76.00}122.50 representing the filing fee
on the above mentioned corporation. Thank you.

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Secretary of State

April 11, 2001

JOHN R. COOK, ESQ.
202 N W 5TH AVENUE
OKEECHOBEE, FL 34972

SUBJECT: JOY OF FAITH MINISTRIES, INC.
Ref. Number: W01000008118

We have received your document for JOY OF FAITH MINISTRIES, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$75.00. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

IF YOU WANT A CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT, THERE IS A BALANCE DUE OF \$3.75.

Section 617.0803, Florida Statutes, requires that the board of directors never have fewer than three directors.

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.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 487-6972.

Doris Brown
Document Specialist
New Filings Section

Letter Number: 201A00021416

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
JOY OF FAITH MINISTRIES, INC.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, do hereby associate ourselves together for the purpose of becoming a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, providing for the formation, liability, rights, privileges and immunities of a corporation not for profit organized under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes as now exist, or as hereafter amended.

ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation shall be JOY OF FAITH MINISTRIES, INC.

ARTICLE II

The duration of the corporation shall be perpetual, and shall commence at the time of filing these articles with the Department of State. The principal place of business of said corporation shall be in Okeechobee County, Florida, with the privilege of having branch offices at other places within the State of Florida, and within or without the United States of America, the mailing address of the corporation to be: 2125 S.E. 40th Avenue, Okeechobee, Florida, 34974.

ARTICLE III

The general nature of the business and the objects and purposes to be transacted and carried on are to do any and all things hereinafter named as freely and to the same extent as natural person might or could do, to-wit:

The purpose of the Church shall be to preach the Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ through fellowship and bible study.

In furtherance of this purpose, as herein set out, this corporation shall have and exercise all powers granted to corporations not for profit under the provisions of the laws of Florida, and from time to time, in addition thereto and not in limitation thereof, to acquire, construct, lease, maintain, and operated any and all buildings, offices, and equipment which may be necessary for desirable for the accomplishment of its purpose.

To solicit and collect funds and contributions, receive by gift, deed, bequest or devise, or otherwise acquire money and property of every kind and description for its purpose as herein set forth.

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To borrow money, purchase, receive by gift, devise or bequest, hold mortgage, lease, sell or otherwise acquire or dispose of real or personal property of every kind and description as may be necessary or desirable for its purpose.

To do any and all lawful acts that may be necessary, useful, suitable, desirable or proper for the furtherance, accomplishment, or attainment of its purpose and to cooperate with other individuals, corporations, groups, or agencies engaged in the same or similar purpose.

The Church is formed for religious and benevolent purposes and it is not to be used for business or pecuniary gain or profit of any private person or group of persons. The Church shall, with the approval of its general membership, engage in a variety of Christian ministries such as regularly scheduled worship services, bible study, benevolence, mission projects, Christian education, and such other ministries as it deems necessary to fulfill its Godly mission.

ARTICLE IV

This corporation is organized on a non-stock basis, and membership may be by certificates of membership. Membership in this corporation shall be open to penitent believers in Jesus Christ, regardless of race, color, gender or national origin.

Under the membership, the charter members of this church are set out in a list attached hereto.

ARTICLE V

The number of directors, to be called Trustees, of this corporation shall not be less than three (3), or more than eleven (11), unless otherwise changed by the by-laws. The Trustees are charged with the day to day legal affairs of the Church.

The Board of Directors of this corporation shall consist of the following officers; a President, Vice-President, and Secretary/Treasurer, and also any other duly elected officer as provided in the by-laws. All members of the Board of Directors shall be active members of the corporation in good standing.

The Board shall be elected by a majority of the general membership of the corporation, in the manner, and for the term of office as set forth in the By-laws, and elections shall be held at least annually. The Board of Directors are to exist under the authority, and direction of, the Elders, Deacons, and Congregation.

ARTICLE VI

This corporation shall have by-laws, adopted by the Board of Directors of the Corporation immediately upon the approval of these Articles of Incorporation, which shall remain in effect until altered, amended, or rescinded.

These by-laws of the corporation, the Articles of Incorporation, and any amendment, rescission, or alteration thereof may be altered, amended, or rescinded only by a two-thirds vote of all eligible members voting at any regular or special meeting of the membership, provided however, that written notice of any proposed amendment or alteration shall first be given or mailed by the Board of Directors to all members of the Corporation at least 30 days prior to the meeting at which such amendment shall be considered. If said amendment is changed at that meeting, it will require another 30 day waiting period before an adoption vote can take place.

ARTICLE VII

The first Board of Directors, and initial incorporators of this corporation and the post office address of each, who shall hold office for the first year, or until their successors are named, shall be:

STEVE HILL
Incorporator

President
Member of Board
2125 S.E. 40th Blvd.
Okeechobee, Fl. 34974

CYNTHIA HILL
Incorporator

Secretary/Treasurer
Member of Board
2125 S.E. 40th Blvd.
Okeechobee, Fl. 34974

MARGARET HILL
Incorporator

Vice-President
Member of Board
3856 N.W. 18th Av.
Okeechobee, Fl. 34974

ARTICLE VIII

In accordance with Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the above named corporation, JOY OF FAITH MINISTRIES, INC., has named JOHN R. COOK ESQ. 202 N.W. 5th Ave. Okeechobee, Florida 34974, as its registered agent to accept service of process within the State of Florida.

ARTICLE IX

The initial members of this corporation shall be those group of persons listed herein as officers/incorporators.

ARTICLE X

This corporation is formed specifically to comply with the provisions of Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, U.S.C.A. and to qualify as a non-profit corporation and an exempt organization under said code. In the event the corporation ceases to operate as a bona fide Church, the Trustees, by majority vote, shall distribute any assets only to organizations exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501 (c) (3) and 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or to the Federal, State or local government for public use.

ARTICLE XI

In the event of dissolution of the Corporation for any reason, its charter shall expire or terminate, the assets of the Corporation shall be disposed of as follows:

Upon dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall alter paying or making provision for the payment of all the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purpose of the corporation in such manner, to such church, churches, represented by the members of the corporation, organized and operated exclusively for charitable or religious purposes, and shall at that time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or as hereafter amended, as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed by the circuit court of the County in which the principal offices of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purpose or to such organizations as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Steve Hill
President and Member of the
Board, incorporator

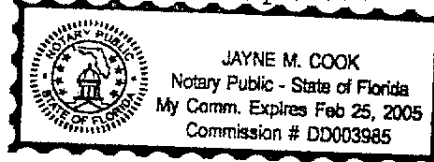
Cynthia Hill
Secretary/Treasurer, and Member of
the Board, incorporator

Margaret A Hill
Vice-President/Member of Board
Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF OKEECHOBEE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that STEVE HILL appeared before me and is personally known to me, or identified himself/herself by the following: Steve Hill, and who being first duly sworn according to law signed these articles of incorporation as his/her free act and deed on this 3 day of April, 2001.

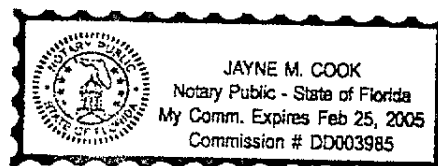
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NOTARY PUBLIC
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COUNTY OF OKEECHOBEE

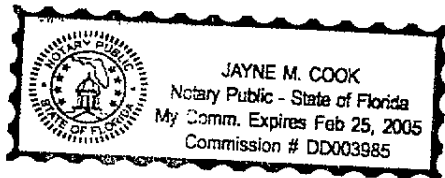
I HEREBY CERTIFY that CYNTHIA HILL appeared before me and is personally known to me, or identified himself/herself by the following: Cynthia Hill - D, and who being first duly sworn according to law signed these articles of incorporation as his/her free act and deed on this 3 day of April, 2001.

Jayne M Cook
NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission Expires:



STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF OKEECHOBEE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that MARGARET HILL appeared before me and is personally known to me, or identified himself herself by the following: MARGARET Ann Hill and who being first duly sworn according to law signed these articles of incorporation as his/her free act and deed on this 26th day of April, 2001.



Jayne M Cook
NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission Expires:
JAYNE M. COOK

ACCEPTANCE OF RESIDENT AGENT

I hereby accept the position of Resident Agent for service of process upon this corporation.

John R. Cook
JOHN R. COOK

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me, the undersigned authority, this 3 day of April, 2001 by John R. Cook, who is personally known to me.

Jayne M. Cook
NOTARY PUBLIC

