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Division of Corporations
PO Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

Re: Grace Community Church, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed are the Articles of Incorporation for Grace Community Church, Inc., and a check for \$78.75.

Please process and return the certification to our Registered Agent, Andy Aikens at the address given in the documentation.

Sincerely,



Pat Palmer
Bookkeeper
Grace Community Church
6165 E. Bronson Hwy.
St. Cloud, FL 34771

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH, INC.

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In compliance with the requirements of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, the undersigned, all of whom are residents of Florida and all of whom are of full age, have this day voluntarily associated themselves together for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit and do hereby certify:

ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation is GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH, INC., hereinafter called the "Corporation."

ARTICLE II

REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of the Corporation is 6165 E. Irls Bronson Memorial Highway, St. Cloud, Florida, 34771, and the name of the initial registered agent of this Corporation at that address is ANDY B. AIKENS.

ARTICLE III

PURPOSE AND POWER OF THE CORPORATION

The purpose of this Corporation shall be the worship of God, the carrying out of the Great Commission given by the Lord Jesus Christ which constitutes evangelism, both at home and abroad, and the development of the spiritual maturing of every believer, and such other purposes as are specified in the Scriptures for a New Testament Church.

This Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious and educational purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the

Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this Corporation shall not disperse any of its receipts, nor carry on any activities not permitted by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

ARTICLE IV

SCRIPTURAL FOUNDATION FOR THE CORPORATION

The Corporation recognizes the Scriptures, both the Old and New Testaments as set out in the original manuscripts, as the verbally inspired Word of God, authoritative, inerrant, infallible, and God-breathed (II Timothy 3:16-17; II Peter 1:20-21; Matthew 5:18).

ARTICLE V

NON-PAYMENT OF SALARIES

No part of the Corporation's income shall be distributed to its directors or officers and the Corporation shall not have or issue shares of stock or pay dividends. Nothing herein shall be construed to preclude the Pastor, Associate Pastor, Music Pastor, and clerical staff from serving the Corporation and/or from receiving reasonable compensation from services actually rendered to the Corporation in effecting one or more of its purposes.

ARTICLE VI

MEMBERSHIP

The membership of this Corporation shall be composed of persons who have given evidence of regeneration by the Spirit of God, who have been baptized by immersion, who have subscribed to the Church Covenant, Articles of Faith, and Constitution of the Corporation, and have completed the New

Member's Class, and who have been received into membership by vote of the Church Body.

ARTICLE VII

INITIAL OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

The names and addresses of those persons who are to act as the officers of the Corporation until the election of their successors are:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Andy B. Aikens	President	2301 Bronco Drive St. Cloud, FL 34771
Jeff Giddens	Vice-President	1610 Carolyn Court St. Cloud, FL 34769
Shannon Melvin	Secretary	1431 Wisconsin Avenue St. Cloud, FL 34769
Lee Heffner	Treasurer	2991 Biron Road St. Cloud, FL 34772

The Corporation shall have five (5) directors who shall hold the title "Trustee." The initial trustees are:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Andy B. Aikens	2301 Bronco Drive St. Cloud, FL 34769
John Engilis	2301 Bronco Dr. St. Cloud, FL 34771
Jeff Giddens	1610 Carolyn Court St. Cloud, FL 34769
Lee Heffner	2991 Biron Road St. Cloud, FL 34772
Shannon Melvin	1431 Wisconsin Avenue St. Cloud, FL 34769

The initial officers and trustees shall serve until the first annual general meeting of the members of the Corporation after incorporation.

ARTICLE VIII

INDEMNIFICATION

Every director and every officer of the Corporation shall be indemnified by the Corporation against all expenses and liabilities, including counsel fees, reasonably incurred by or imposed upon him/her in connection with any proceeding or any settlement of any proceeding to which he/she may be a party of in which he/she may become involved by reason of his/her being or having been a director or officer at the time such expenses are incurred, except when the director or officer is adjudged guilty of willful misfeasance or malfeasance in the performance of his/her duties; provided, that in the event of a settlement, the indemnification shall apply only when the Board of Directors (Trustees) approves such settlement and reimbursement as being for the best interest of the Corporation. The foregoing right of indemnification shall be in addition to and not exclusive of all other rights to which such director or officer may be entitled.

ARTICLE IX

DISSOLUTION

If for any reason this Corporation is dissolved, after the payment of all liabilities against the Corporation, all assets shall be distributed to such organization or organizations selected by the Corporation that are organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, or religious purposes as shall qualify as an exempt corporation or organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, (or by the corresponding section of any future Revenue Code of the United States of America), or to a corporation or organization to which contributions are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended (or the corresponding section of any future United States Revenue Law). Any such assets not so disposed of

shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

No part of the property, buildings, monies, or assets of this Corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any donor, member, officer of this Corporation, or any individual.

ARTICLE X

DURATION

The Corporation shall exist perpetually.

ARTICLE XI

AMENDMENT

These Articles may be amended or repealed and new Articles adopted at any regular or called meeting of the assemble by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present, provided that the proposed action has been submitted in writing and announced at least two (2) weeks prior to said meeting.

ARTICLE XII

BYLAWS

The bylaws of this Corporation shall be adopted by the members and may be altered, amended, or rescinded in the manner provided by the bylaws.

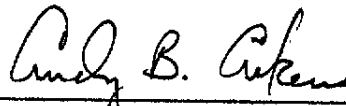
ARTICLE XIII

INCORPORATORS

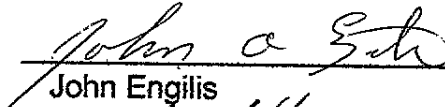
The names and addresses of the persons signing these Articles are as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Andy B. Aikens	2301 Bronco Drive St. Cloud, FL 34769
John Engilis	2301 Bronco Dr. St. Cloud, FL 34771
Jeff Giddens	1610 Carolyn Court St. Cloud, FL 34769
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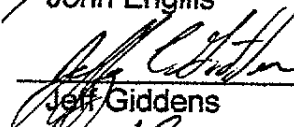
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Incorporators have executed these Articles of Incorporation on this 17 day of June, 2001.



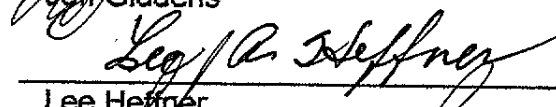
Andy B. Aikens



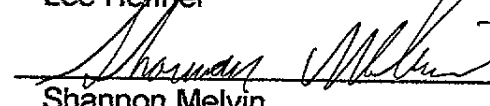
John Engilis



Jeff Giddens



Lee Heffner



Shannon Melvin

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF OSCEOLA

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 17th
day of June, 2001, by ANDY B. AIKENS.

Jolene M. Wilson

Notary Public, State of Florida
My Commission Expires:



Jolene M. Wilson
MY COMMISSION # CC731714 EXPIRES
April 27, 2002
BONDED THRU TROY FAIN INSURANCE, INC.

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF OSCEOLA

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 17th
day of June, 2001, by JOHN ENGILIS.

Jolene M. Wilson

Notary Public, State of Florida
My Commission Expires:



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April 27, 2002
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STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF OSCEOLA

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 17th
day of June, 2001, by JEFF GIDDENS.

Jolene M. Wilson

Notary Public, State of Florida
My Commission Expires:



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STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF OSCEOLA

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 17th
day of June, 2001, by LEE HEFFNER.

Jolene M. Wilson

Notary Public, State of Florida
My Commission Expires:



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April 27, 2002
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STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF OSCEOLA

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 17th
day of June, 2001, by SHANNON MELVIN.

Jolene M. Wilson
Notary Public, State of Florida
My Commission Expires:



Jolene M. Wilson
MY COMMISSION # CC731714 EXPIRES
April 27, 2002
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CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN FLORIDA, NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED.

In compliance with Section 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted:

That GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH, INC., desiring to organize or qualify under the laws of the state of Florida, with its principal place of business at 6165 E. Irlo Bronson Memorial Highway, St. Cloud, Florida, 34771, has named ANDY B. AIKENS, located at 6165 E. Irlo Bronson Memorial Highway, St. Cloud, State of Florida, as its agent to accept service of process within Florida.

Signature: Andy B. Aikens
Title: Pastor
Date: 2/17/01

Having been named to accept service of process for the above corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby agree to act in this capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties.

Signature: Andy B. Aikens
Date: 6/17/01

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