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The Honorable The Secretary of State Corporations Division, att: New Filings Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

> Re: Jabez Mission, Inc. Jabez Fund, Inc.

Gentlemen,

Enclosed please find two copies each of the Articles of Incorporation for the above corporations. Attached to each is my check for \$70 each.

Please file these and send me a stamped copy.

Thank you for your helpfulness.

Sincerely,

G. W. Hedman

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SECRETARY OF STATE FALLAHASSEE FLORIDA

Articles Of Incorporation

Of

## Jabez Fund, Inc.

ARTICLE 1: Name: The name of the Corporation is JABEZ FUND, INC.

ARTICLE 2: Duration: The duration of the Corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE 3: Purpose: The purposes for which this corporation is organized are exclusively religious, charitable, and educational within the meaning of §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

More particularly, the corporation will organize and present to the general public and to certain classes of clergy and religious students programs and presentations of evangelical and Christian religious nature, including financial and economic information designed to help churches and religious organizations thrive, at different places from time to time, in the USA and elsewhere, in the furtherance and exposition of the doctrines of Jesus Christ. These presentations will require the services of evangelical preachers, pastors, teachers, musicians, administrators, financial experts, and others whose services may be necessary or desirable to carry out these religious and educational activities.

The corporation may perform any of the following, by itself or in cooperation with any other like program: Purchase or lease and develop property, real, personal or mixed, build and operate churches, schools, seminaries, children's homes and meeting-places for Christian instruction, build and operate Christian nursing homes, retirement homes, assisted living facilities, youth camps, drug rehabilitation facilities and other like endeavors to increase and encourage belief in and observance of the doctrines of Jesus Christ. The corporation may use

its own funds and credit for any such purposes and to arrange loans for the enhancement and expansion of the teaching of the doctrines of Jesus Christ, such as, for example, purchasing or constructing a new church or mission, or refinancing an existing property of such an organization. The corporation may accept and place funds received from other sources for like purposes, and may participate in jointly financed loans through a central source.

Provided, however, that the corporation shall not engage in any action which is not permitted to be carried on by nonprofit corporations under §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and no part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, trustees, directors, officers, or other private persons; but the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation to such persons for services rendered.

No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be carrying on 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, this corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

In any taxable year in which the corporation is a private foundation as described in §509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, the corporation shall distribute its income for said period at such time and manner as not to subject it to tax under §4942 of the Code; and the corporation shall not (a) engage in any act of self dealing as defined in §4941(d) of the Code; (b) retain any excess business holdings as defined in §4943(c) of the Code; (c) make any investments in such manner as to subject the corporation to tax under §4944 of the Code; or (d) make any taxable expenditures as defined in §4945(d) of the Code or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws.

ARTICLE 4: Members: The Corporation shall have Voting Members who shall be elected and may be removed by the unanimous vote of the then incumbent Voting Members, and who shall have all the rights and privileges of members of the Corporation. The by-laws may provide for nonvoting Members of one or more classes, who shall be admitted in such manner and who shall have such rights and privileges as are set forth in the by-laws but who shall not have the right to vote. The name and address of each initial Voting Member is as follows:

Name

**Address** 

Thomas Koon

320 Byron Road Byron Center, MI 49315 Dr. Wayne A. Guinn

3675 Whisperwood Circle,

Melbourne, FL 32901

G. W. Hedman

877 North Miramar, Suite # 1106

Indialantic, FL 32903

Michael L. Arbogast

108 W. New Haven Avenue Melbourne, FL 32901

ARTICLE 5: Initial Registered Agent and Office: The initial registered agent is G. W. Hedman and the initial registered office is 108 W. New Haven Avenue, Melbourne, FL 32901.

ARTICLE 6: Initial Board of Directors. The initial Board of Directors shall have four members whose names and addresses are:

Name

Address

Thomas Koon

320 Byron Road

Byron Center, MI 49315

Dr. Wayne A. Guinn

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The By-Laws shall provide the method of election of all Directors, and the number of Directors may be raised or lowered by amendment of the By-Laws but shall in no case be less than three.

ARTICLE 7: Officers. The officers of the Corporation shall consist of: Chairman of the Board, President, one or more Vice Presidents, Secretary, and Treasurer. Other officers may be provided for in the By-Laws. Each Officer shall be elected by the Board of Directors and may be removed by the Board of Directors at such time and in such manner as may be prescribed by the By-Laws. The name and office of each initial Officer of the

Corporation is as follows, all their addresses as shown in the preceding article:

Name

Office Held

Thomas Koon

Chairman of the Board

Dr. Wayne A. Guinn

President

G, W, Hedman

Secretary

Michael L. Arbogast

Treasurer

ARTICLE 8: Incorporators. The names and addresses of the incorporators are:

Name

**Address** 

**Thomas Koon** 

320 Byron Road

Byron Center, MI 49315

Dr. Wayne A. Guinn

3675 Whisperwood Circle,

Melbourne, FL 32901

Michael L. Arbogast

108 W. New Haven Avenue Melbourne, FL 32901

ARTICLE 9: Non-Stock Basis. The Corporation is organized and shall be operated on a non-stock basis within the meaning of the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, and shall not have the power to issue shares of any type or class of stock, but may issue membership certificates if so provided in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE 10: Corporate Address. The street address of the Corporation=s initial principal office is 108 West New Haven Avenue, Melbourne, Florida, 32901, the same being also the Corporation=s mailing address.

In witness whereof, the undersigned have signed these Articles of Incorporation on

Thomas Koon

Wayne A. Guinn

Mighael L. Arbogast

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SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE FLORIDA

Acknowledged before me on October 3, 2001, by Thomas Koon, Wayne A. Guinn and Michael L. Arbogast, personally known to me and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation and acknowledged to and before me that they executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

Mary A. Studstill
Commission # CC 769504
Expires OCT. 5, 2002
BONDED THRU
AT ANTIC BONDING CO., INC.

Notary Public, State of Florida

Name MARY A. STUDST/LL

Commission No.

My Commission Expires

I accept designation as Registered Agent as of the above date.

G. W. Hedman