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Department of State Division of Corporations P. O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

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SUBJECT: NEW HODE COMMUNITY CHURCH OF OCALA INC.
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for :

☐ \$70.00 Filing Fee

\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status

☐ \$78.75 Filing Fee \$87.50 Filing Fee,

& Certified Copy Certified Copy

& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: REV, F. JESS BURTON
Name (Printed or typed)

15364 SW 23 Ct. Rd.

OCALA FL 34473
City, State & Zip

352 - 208 - 3055 cell.
Daytime Telephone number

352-347-2406 - OPFICE

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

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#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The undersigned, acting as incorporator(s) of a corporation pursuant to chapter 617

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#### ARTICLE I

#### Name

The name of the corporation shall be: New Hope Community Church of Ocala, Incorporated

#### ARTICLE II

The Principal Place of Business and Mailing Address

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be: 15364 SW 23 Court Road, Ocala, Florida, 34473, P.O. Box 11272, Ocala, Florida, 34473.

#### ARTICLE III

#### Purpose

The specific purposes for which the corporation is organized are: To worship and labor together according to the teachings of the New Testament, as set forth in the Articles of Faith, as adopted by the Church. This Church shall have the authority to conduct a New Testament Church in accordance with the Word of God, the Articles of Faith, the Covenant, and the Constitution of this Church. It shall have the right to own, buy, or sell tangible properties, both real and personal, in its own name and through properly elected officers, when authorized by the vote of the Church. The Church shall be independent and autonomous, not subject to any ecclesiastical control whatsoever from any convention, conference, association or council, and has the right to dissolute any group with which it may have become affiliated.

#### ARTICLE IV **Manner of Election of Directors**

The Government of this Church shall be vested in its membership. Voting privileges shall be extended to members in good and regular standing. The manner in which the Directors are elected will be in accordance with this Church's By-Laws.

#### By-Laws Article 5, B

All Directors/Officers (except Pastor) shall be elected annually and normally assume their duties on January 1st of each year that follows their election by the Congregation on the first Sunday of December. The Pastor shall be elected by a 3/4 majority vote of the Congregation.

#### By-Laws Article 5, I. Term of Office

- 1. The Pastor shall serve for an indeterminate time and shall continue as long as is mutually agreeable to him and the Church.
- 2. The balance of the Church Board members shall be elected annually on the first Sunday of December and begin their responsibilities on January  $I^{st}$ .

## Article V Limitation of Corporate Powers

No part of the earnings of the corporation/organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, directors, officers or other private persons, except that the corporation/organization shall authorize to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of Section 501(c)(3) purposes. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation/organization shall be carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attention to influence legislation, and the corporation/organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation/organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (A) by a corporation/organization 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 (B) by a corporation/organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code (or corresponding section of any future Federal Tax Code).

Upon the dissolution of this corporation/organization, its debts shall be fully satisfied. None of its assets or holdings shall be divided among the members, or other individuals, but shall be irrevocably designated by corporate vote, prior to dissolution, to such other nonprofit religious corporations, as are in agreement with the letter and the spirit of the Articles of Faith that have been adopted by this Church, and in conformity with the requirements within the meaning of Section (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or corresponding section of any future Federal Tax Code).

#### ARTICLE VI Initial Directors/Officers

The names, addresses, and titles are:

Chairman/Elder: Richard Johnson

9861 SW 101 Place, Ocala, FL 34481

Secretary/Clerk: Anna Hinkson

6481 SW 81 lane, Ocala, FL 34476

Treasurer: Donna Homan

5920 SE 125 Place, Belleview, FL 34420

Financial Secretary: Susan Burton

15364 SW 23 Court Road, Ocala, FL 34473

#### ARTICLE VII

### **Initial Registered Agent and Street Address**

The name and the street address of the Registered Agent is:

Rev. F. Jess Burton 15364 SW 23<sup>rd</sup> Court Road Ocala, Florida 34473 4200.

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### Incorporator

The name and the street address of the incorporator for these Articles of Incorporation is:

Chairman/Elder:

Richard Johnson

9861 SW 101 Place Ocala, FL 34481

The undersigned Incorporators have executed these Articles of Incorporation this 4th day

Signature/Registered Agent

Signature/Registered Agent

Date

Date

I F. JESS BURTON AM FAMILIAR WITH AND ACCEPT THE APPOINTMENT AS REGISTERED AGENT.