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Ship and Family Center, Inc

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

**OF**

**NEW HOPE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP AND FAMILY CENTER, INC.**

**A Not-For Profit Corporation**

This is to certify that I, the undersigned, being of full legal age and acting as incorporator for the purpose of creating a non-profit, non-stock corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.

**ARTICLE I**

- (A) The name of the Corporation is New Hope Christian Fellowship and Family Center, Inc. referred to as the "Corporation."
- (B) The existence of the Corporation will be perpetual.
- (C) The principal office of the Corporation is located at 3081 Jody Street, Port Charlotte, Florida 33948.
- (D) The registered agent of the Corporation is Bryce W. Smink, whose business address is 3081 Jody Street, Port Charlotte, Florida 33948. The registered agent is a resident of the State of Florida and is an officer and director of the Corporation. The registered office is located in the City of Port Charlotte.
- (E) The name and address of the incorporate is Bryce W. Smink, 3081 Jody Street, Port Charlotte, Florida 33948.

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## **ARTICLE II**

The Directors of the Corporation shall be elected or appointed at the Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors to be held on the Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Monday of January at 6:30 p.m., unless otherwise determined and noticed by the Board of Directors.

## **ARTICLE III**

The purpose for which this Corporation is formed, and the business and objectives to be carried on and promoted by it, are as follows:

- (a) This Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious purposes to:
  - (1) To plant and organize church(es) for the ministry of God's Word to the lost and to the saved, provide a place of worship, to submit to the holy ordinances, and to receive the holy sacraments, both nationally and internationally.
  - (2) To perform counseling and mediation services to all people.
  - (3) To establish healing schools, both nationally and internationally, for the purpose of training people how to minister healing to the sick according to the Word of God.
  - (4) To mediate issues between people using the Bible as the source of resolve.
  - (5) To conduct missionary outreaches for the purpose of encouraging and supporting ministers or ministries and /or Bible training centers nationally and internationally; proclaiming the teachings of Jesus Christ to the nations in evangelistic meetings, church meetings, crusades.
  - (6) To support other non-profits organizations with similar vision and purpose, under the leadership of the Holy Spirit in accordance with commandments and provisions as set forth in the Holy Bible.
  - (7) To establish and operate Bible training centers/schools both nationally and internationally.
  - (8) To conduct seminars and workshops in conjunction with establishing healing schools, missions programs, and Bible schools, or in other areas of ministry.

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- (9) To create and publish materials that other churches, ministries, and/or religious organizations may use to establish or enhance particular outreach programs.
- (10) To minister the Word of God to the faithful, both nationally and internationally, as doors and opportunities are opened to us.
- (11) To promote and encourage, through ministry of this organization, cooperation with other organizations, ministering nationally and internationally.
- (12) To acquire and hold such property, either real or personal, for ministry purposes as may be deemed necessary or advisable.
- (13) To make distribution to organizations which qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and for any other lawful purpose.

- (b) No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services actually rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of its exempt purposes. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall consist of the carrying on of 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 or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (1) by a Corporation exempt from Federal income taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the corresponding section of any future United States Internal Revenue law, or (2) by a Corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the corresponding section of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

#### ARTICLE IV

This Corporation is empowered:

- (a) To buy, own, sell, assign, mortgage or lease any interest in real estate and personal property and to construct, maintain, and operate improvements thereon necessary or incident to the accomplishment of the purposes set forth in Article III hereof.
- (b) To borrow money and issue evidence of indebtedness in furtherance of any or all of the objects of its business, and to secure the same by mortgage, pledge, bonds, or other lien on the Corporation's property.
- (c) To do and perform all lawful acts reasonably necessary to accomplish the purposes of the Corporation.
- (d) Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, all of the remaining assets of the Corporation shall be distributed only to one or more organizations created and operated for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Article III hereof, other than for religious purposes, all of the foregoing within the meaning of Section 501 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Any Assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction of the city/county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization(s), as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

**ARTICLE V**

(a) The initial number of Directors of the Corporation shall be three (3). Initially the President shall serve three years, the Treasurer shall serve two years and the Secretary shall serve one year. After the first year, the Directors shall serve for three year terms, and the corporation shall have the option to increase the number of Directors, but never to a level less than three (3). The original Directors and term for which each will serve, are set forth below:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>TERM</u>
1. Bryce Smink	President	3081 Jody Street Port Charlotte, FL. 33948	3 years
2. Mike Duncan	Treasurer	25210 Campos Drive Punta Gorda, FL 33983	2 years
3. Paul Szafranski	Secretary	20078 Lorenzo Avenue Port Charlotte, FL 33952	1 year

(b) The Officers of the Corporation, as provided by the Bylaws of the Corporation, shall be elected by the Directors of the Corporation, in the manner therein set out, and shall serve until their successors are elected and have qualified. The initial Officers are listed below. The Directors shall elect the regular Officers of the Corporation at the annual meeting for the term of one (1) year.

## **ARTICLE VI**

The initial Officers of the Corporation are listed as follows:

President: Bryce W. Smink

Treasurer: Mike Duncan

Secretary: Paul Szafranski

## **ARTICLE VII**

The Bylaws of the Corporation may be adopted by the Directors at any regular meeting or any special meeting called for that purpose, so long as they are not inconsistent with the provisions of these Articles.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

The Articles of Incorporation may be amended upon a two-third's (2/3) vote of the Board of Directors, with the exception of amending the purpose, which requires One Hundred (100%) percent of the Board of Directors.

## **ARTICLE IX**

Any unresolved disputes on the Board of Directors or the Officers shall be resolved in the following manner: the unresolved disputes, shall be submitted to mediation within 14 days and shall be mediated by another Christian, certified mediator. If the Directors or the Officers cannot agree on the selection of a mediator, then each Director or Officer shall select a Christian, certified mediator, and those individuals shall jointly select a Christian certified mediator to act as mediator. From those chosen the certified mediators shall be narrowed down to two whom shall co-mediate the dispute. The agreement

reached shall have the force of a contract and be enforced in the same fashion as a decision made in any court having competent jurisdiction. The cost of mediation and all expenses associated therewith shall be assessed equally against the Directors and Officers.

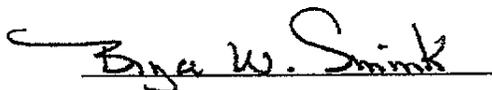
#### ARTICLE X

No person, firm or corporation shall ever receive any dividend or share in the income from the undertaking of this not-for-profit corporation and upon dissolution of this corporation all assets remaining after payment of the costs and expenses of such dissolution shall be distributed in a manner not inconsistent with and shall be in a manner which qualifies for exemption under Section 501(c)(3) and 170 (c ) of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States of America, for a public purpose, and none of the assets shall be distributed to any member, officer or director of this corporation.

#### ARTICLE XI

These Articles of Incorporation shall be effective upon filing.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Incorporator and the Initial Board of Directors, by their signatures below, do hereby adopt and authorize the filing of these Articles of Incorporation, this 31<sup>th</sup> day of DECEMBER, 2001, for the purpose of establishing this not-for-profit corporation, under the laws of the State of Florida.



Bryce W. Smink

3081 Jody Street

Port Charlotte, FL 33948

STATE OF FLORIDA

CITY OF Pt. Charlotte, to wit:

I, Cheryl L. Adams, a Notary Public in and for the City and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Bryce W. Smink, President, whose name is signed to the foregoing writing, has acknowledged the same before me in my City and State aforesaid, this 31<sup>st</sup> Day of December, 2001.

Type of Identification Produced: Lic # D525-544-58-268-0  
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Cheryl L. Adams  
Notary



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Name of Notary Public

Michael Duncan

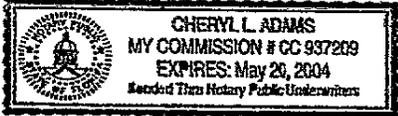
Mike Duncan  
25210 Campos Drive  
Punta Gorda, FL 33983

STATE OF FLORIDA

CITY OF Pt. Charlotte, to wit:

I, Cheryl L. Adams a Notary Public in and for the City and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Mike Duncan, Treasurer, whose name is signed to the foregoing writing, has acknowledged the same before me in my City and State aforesaid, this 31<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2001.

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Cheryl L. Adams  
Notary  


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Name of Notary Public

Paul Szafranski  
Paul Szafranski  
20078 Lorenzo Avenue  
Port Charlotte, FL 33952

STATE OF FLORIDA  
CITY OF Port Charlotte, to wit:

I, Cheryl L. Adams a Notary Public in and for the City and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Paul Szafranski, Secretary, whose name is signed to the foregoing writing, has acknowledged the same before me in my City and State aforesaid, this 31<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2001.

Type of Identification Produced: Lic# 5165-685-49-294-C

*Gheryl L Adams*  
Notary



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Name of Notary Public

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REGISTERED AGENT**

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF CHARLOTTE

*EMS*  
I, Bryce W. Smink, have agreed to act as Registered Agent for the New Hope  
Christian Fellowship, <sup>AND FAMILY CENTER,</sup> Inc., and realize that I am being designated as such in the records of  
the said corporation as well as with the Office of the Florida Department of State. The  
registered office for myself as Registered Agent shall be as follows:

Rev. Bryce W. Smink  
3081 Jody Street  
Port Charlotte, Florida 33948

I am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as Registered Agent for the New Hope Christian Fellowship, <sup>AND FAMILY CENTER,</sup> Inc. until such time as a new Registered Agent may be designated as provided by Florida law.

Dated the 31<sup>ST</sup> day of DECEMBER, 2001.

Bryce W. Smink  
Registered Agent

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF CHARLOTTE

BEFORE ME, a notary public authorized to take acknowledgements in the State and County set forth above, personally appeared, Bryce W. Smink, personally known to me (or who has produced his Florida Driver's License as identification) to be the person who is nominated to act as the Resident Agent and who acknowledged before me that he agreed to undertake said duty.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at Charlotte County, State of Florida, this 31<sup>ST</sup> day of December, 2001.

Cheryl L. Adams  
Signature



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