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May 6, 2002

DEAN & PAMELA MELTON 13550 NE 65 LANE WILLISTON, FL 32696

SUBJECT: VICTORY MINISTRIES CORPORATION

Ref. Number: W02000012858

We have received your document for VICTORY MINISTRIES CORPORATION and your check(s) totaling \$87.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

We regret that we were unable to contact you by phone. Please return the corrected document with a letter providing us with an address and telephone number where you can be reached during working hours.

The name designated in your document is unavailable since it is the same as, or it is not distinguishable from the name of an existing entity.

Please select a new name and make the correction in all appropriate places. One or more major words may be added to make the name distinguishable from the one presently on file.

# Adding "of Florida" or "Florida" to the end of a name is not acceptable.

Section 617.0202(d), Florida Statutes, requires the manner in which directors are elected or appointed be contained in the articles of incorporation or a statement that the method of election of directors is as stated in the bylaws.

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.

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**OF** 

## LIVING IN VICTORY INCORPORATED

#### A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

The undersigned incorporator(s), in order to form a non-profit corporation under the laws of the state of Florida, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

ONE: The name of this corporation is LIVING IN VICTORY INCORPORATED

Principal address: 13550 NE 65 Lane, Williston, FL 32696

TWO: The name and address of the registered agent of this corporation are:

Marvin D. Melton

(352)-528-9598

13550 NE 65th Lane

Williston, Florida 32696

THREE: The purpose of the corporation is as follows:

- A. This Corporation is a not-for-profit corporation organized under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. It is not organized for the private gain of any person. The specific purposes of this corporation are to provide services that lead to the spiritual, physical and emotional healing of those individuals whom, for whatever reason suffer from life controlling problems. Problems such as addictions of all kinds as identified by the American Psychiatric Association and other secular and as religious entities.
- B. To exercise all rights and powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida upon nonprofit corporations.
- C. Provided however, that the corporation shall not engage in any action, which is not permitted to be carried on by nonprofit corporations under the Internal Revenue Code. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, directors, or officers. <u>LIVING IN VICTORY INCORPORATED</u> shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation to these people for services rendered, and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of its stated purposes.

This corporation is organized exclusively for one or more of the purposes as specified in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 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.

FOUR: the President/Founder of the corporation appointed the initial directors of LIVING IN VICTORY INCORPORATED. The number of initial directors of this corporation is four their names and address are as follows:

Name

Address

Marvin D. Melton13550 NE 65th Lane Williston Florida, 32696Lonzell BlantonP.O. Box 1336 Bronson, Florida 32621James Mark Ulmer3611 SW 34th Street #127 Gainesville, Florida 32608Marty Brooks6190 NE 185th Terrace Williston, Florida, 32696

In the event of either dismissal, resignation or for any other reason future directors will be appointed by the President/Founder of the corporation.

FIVE: The names and address of the incorporators of this corporation are:

Marvin D. Melton

(352)-528-9598

13550 NE 65th Lane

Williston, Florida 32696

Pamela D. Melton

(352)-528-9598

13550 NE 65th Lane

Williston, Florida 32696

SIX: The period of duration of this corporation is perpetual.

SEVEN: The classes, rights, privilege, qualifications, and obligations of members of this corporation are as follows:

This corporation shall have one class of membership. Any person shall be qualified to become a member upon payment of the initial dues, if any, fixed by the board of directors and shall continue as a member upon paying the annual dues, if any, fixed by the board of directors. The method and time of payment of dues shall be determined, and may be changed, from time to time, by the board of directors. Additional provisions specifying the rights and obligations of members shall be contained in the Bylaws of this corporation pursuant to, and in accordance with, the laws of this state.

EIGHT: Any additional provisions for the operation of the corporation are as follows:

Upon the dissolution of this corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of this corporation shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.

No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation (except as otherwise provided by Section 501(h) of the Internal Revenue Code),

and this 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.

No part of the net earnings of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, directors, officers, or other private persons, except that this corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in these Articles.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (1) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or (2) by a corporation contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

In any taxable year in which this corporation is a private foundation as described in Section 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, the corporation 1) shall distribute its income for said period at such time and manner as not to subject it to tax under Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code; 2) shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code; 3) shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code; 4) shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject the corporation to tax under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code; and 5) shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of processes for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

The undersigned incorporators hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the statements made in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation are true.

Registered Agent

Incorporator

Dated: <u>5/10/02</u>

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