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SUBJECT: THE CHURCH ALIVE, Inc.
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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

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Katherine Harris
Secretary of State

April 23, 2002

NORMAN GARY COOK
P. O. BOX 3531
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SUBJECT: THE CHURCH ALIVE, INC.
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We have received your document for THE CHURCH ALIVE, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

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.

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**THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
THE CHURCH ALIVE INTERNATIONAL, INC.,**

A Corporation Not For Profit

We, the undersigned, being desirous of forming a corporation for charitable, literary, cultural, scientific, and educational purposes as set forth in Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code and under the provisions of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, do hereby agree to the following

**ARTICLE 1
NAME**

1.1) NAME: The name of the ministry is THE CHURCH ALIVE INTERNATIONAL, INC., A Corporation Not For Profit

**ARTICLE 2
PRINCIPLE OFFICE**

2.1) PRINCIPAL OFFICE: The principal office shall be 3444 Marinatown Lane, Suite 27, North Fort Myers, Florida, 33903. The mailing address shall be P.O.Box 3531, North Fort Myers, Florida, 33918

**ARTICLE 3
PURPOSES**

The purposes for which this corporation is formed are as follows:

- A. To disseminate the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the Word of God, to the end that people may be evangelized and believers may be conformed to the image of Jesus Christ.
- B. To regularly assemble for fellowship, counsel and instruction, to worship God in Spirit and in truth and to cooperate in the building up of the whole body of Christ.
- C. To provide pastoral and human relations counseling in appropriate locations to those who need and request such ministry.
- D. To involve every participant of this Ministry in its activities and in the ministry of the Holy Spirit.
- E. To seek to strengthen the family units of our members and also those of our neighbors in our communities, that they each might become healthy and fruitful by Biblical standards.

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F. To perform the Sacraments of the Church which include, but are not limited to the following: to baptize believers in water; to anoint the sick with oil; to conduct weddings and funerals; to dedicate infants; and to celebrate the Lord's Supper (Communion).

G. To act with charitable concern for, and to help, not only members of this ministry, but also all people in need of any help which this ministry can give, regardless of race, social position, or religious affiliation; to develop and carry out programs of social action for the poor, widowed, orphaned, afflicted, imprisoned, or aged persons, both within and without this ministry.

H. To pray for the needs of all people, for local and national leaders and governments and for all that are in authority as instructed in 1 Timothy 2:1-3.

I. To support and encourage communication and extension of the Christian life and witness by sound and comprehensive teaching of Biblical principles to all people, both within this ministry and elsewhere, not only by conventional modes, but also by all means which will accomplish such communication developed by modern technology.

These purposes should include to sponsor, participate in, conduct or engage in theatrical productions and drama groups, radio broadcasting, the printing or reproduction and publication of recordings, books and other materials, the establishment and operation of a school or schools, and the holding and conducting of seminars, study groups, workshops, and meetings, by either resident or traveling ministers; to receive offering for such purposes; and to grant aid and pay reasonable compensation to persons, firms and corporations for services actually rendered for such purposes; provided that none of the forgoing shall be done for private profit.

J. To establish and maintain a place of worship, study, recreation and social action, a center for teaching and counseling, a halfway house, a transitional living center, ministering to the whole family and to the whole person: spirit, soul and body.

K. To recognize, support and cooperate with the various ministries established by God to equip believers to fulfill their respective functions as members of the Body of Christ and to bring the whole Body of Christ to unity, maturity and completion.

L. To provide and maintain homes, places and buildings for housing of students, counselees, lecturers, teachers and ministers, as well as other related members of the Ministry; to furnish to such students, counselees, lecturers, teachers, educators and ministers suitable meals and lodging.

M. To license, commission and ordain ministers for the purpose of preaching, teaching, counseling and pastoring; to assist in the establishment and maintenance of other churches or ministries, and to send forth and maintain ministers, missionaries or other workers for the upbuilding of such churches or ministries, either domestic or foreign.

N. To acquire, either by deed, gift or purchase, any real estate or personal property to be held in trust for the benefit of the Corporation and its stated purposes.

O. To mortgage, sell or otherwise encumber any such property when such action is deemed to be in the best interest of the Corporation as defined in its stated purpose as a Christian organization.

P. No purpose listed herein shall conflict with or authorize the officers of the corporation to function in a manner inconsistent with the corporate Articles of incorporation and Bylaws. These purposes are subject to the corporation's purposes and powers, and any one paragraph may be invalid by the corporate documents, and may not be permitted within the purview of the corporation's defined purposes and powers.

Q. The corporation may transact any and all lawful business in the State of Florida pursuant to Florida Statutes, Chapter 617, The Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act.

ARTICLE 4

DIRECTORS AND THEIR ELECTION

5.1) **DIRECTORS:** The affairs and property of this ministry shall be managed and governed by a Board of Directors (Elders), composed of not less than three (3) persons.

5.2) **MANNER OF ELECTION:** The positions of the directors of this ministry shall be esteemed as both honorable and humble; being persons of the noble qualities set out in 1 Timothy 3, and Titus 1. The candidate will meet the above requirements and agree with the Ministry's Articles and Statement of Faith. Each director will be chosen and appointed by the existing Board, for the duration of one (1) year, at the end of which time a review will be made of both their qualifications and service. They will remain in this office for as long as their life and service prove satisfactory and they desire the position. At the recommendation of the Board, or at their own discretion, they will step down, and another person will be selected and appointed to this position by the unanimous recommendation of the remaining members of the Board.

5.3) **APPEALS:** An appeal may be heard by a tribunal consisting of three persons: one person appointed by the board, one chosen by the appellee, and the president. The decision of the tribunal will be final.

ARTICLE 5

MEMBERSHIP

The corporation shall have no members. The authority for all of the officers of the corporation shall be in a Board of Directors, who shall have and may exercise all of the powers of the corporation as permitted by Florida Statute, Chapter 617, The Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, and by these Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws of the corporation.

ARTICLE 6

DURATION AND DISSOLUTION

6.1) DURATION: This ministry shall be incorporated with the intention of a perpetual existence.

6.2) DISSOLUTION: In the event that this ministry should cease to exist as a not for profit corporation in the State of Florida, no part of the ministries assets shall inure to the benefit of any member, but shall be distributed to an organization which themselves are exempt as organizations described in Section 170(c)(2), and 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or corresponding Sections of any prior or future Internal Revenue Code, or to the Federal, State, or Local Government for exclusively public purposes.

ARTICLE 7

INITIAL DIRECTORS

7.1) NAMES AND ADDRESSES:

Dr. Norman G. Cook	President	P.O. Box 3531, N. Ft. Myers, FL. 33918
Alexander J. Cook	Vice President	1188 Old Bridge Rd., N. Ft. Myers, FL. 33917
Lorna G. Cook	Secretary/Treasurer	P.O. Box 3531, N. Ft. Myers, FL. 33918

ARTICLE 8

STATEMENT OF FAITH

- 1.) One God eternally existing in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit
- 2.) The infallibility of the Word of God, and it is our final authority in all matters of life and practice.
- 3.) The Virgin Birth, Death, Burial and Resurrection of Jesus Christ, and His glorious return and rapture of His Church
- 4.) The necessity of salvation as a free gift which is a life transforming new birth, attained by grace through faith in the finished work of Christ
- 5.) The ordinances of Baptism in water and the Lord's Table as signs of His work in the Church
- 6.) The Baptism in the Holy Spirit for effective ministry, and is evidenced by His gifts operating in the believer's life and ministry
- 7.) Being filled by the Holy Spirit for Godly living, evidenced by the fruit of the Holy Spirit operating in the believer's life and ministry
- 8.) The one Church universal, Consisting of all the redeemed, and that each believer is a minister of Christ, and is appointed to maturity
- 9.) The eternal reward of the righteous and the judgment of the wicked, Satan, and the fallen angels
- 10.) The authority that comes from ministry, delegated by God, appointed by leadership, bringing a consensus to the body for unity
- 11.) A proclamation Gospel, a Christian world view and the imperative to publicly preach, teach and counsel of all of man's sin and of God's loving remedy
- 12.) A Church responsible to God alone to educate its children and to train and credential its own workers in all matters of its ministry

ARTICLE 9

AMENDMENTS AND QUORUMS

9.1) AMENDMENTS: Amendments to these articles may be suggested at any regular or specifically called meeting of the Board. They will be considered but not passed until a further meeting of not less than seven (7) days later. They must then be considered and approved one final time at a further meeting of not less than seven (7) days later.

9.2) QUORUM: A majority affirmative vote of a quorum of the board is necessary for the passage of any business, both routine or amending. A quorum shall consist of any majority of the board, though not less than three members at any time except when it becomes impossible to gather the full number, (i.e. Death of members or resigned members who refuse to cooperate, etc.,)

ARTICLE 10

BYLAWS

Section 1. The Board of Directors of this corporation may provide such Bylaws for the conduct of its business and the carrying out of its purposes as they may deem necessary from time to time.

Section 2. Upon proper notice, the Bylaws may be amended, altered, or rescinded by a majority vote of those members of the Board of Directors present at any regular Board meeting or any special Board meeting called for that purpose.

ARTICLE 11

NOT FOR PROFIT STATUS

Section 1. This corporation shall not be conducted for profit.

Section 2. This corporation shall not exercise any power nor engage in any activity that would prevent it from obtaining exemption from Federal Income Taxation as a corporation described in Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or as a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or as a Not-For-Profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida.

Section 3. No part of any gift to or of the net earnings or assets of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, directors, officers, or any other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and making payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in these Articles of Incorporation.

Section 4. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be 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 any candidate for public office.

Section 5. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or by a not-for-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida.

Section 6. In the event of dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner as the Directors determine, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, literary, scientific, educational, or religious purposes as shall at the time be exempt or qualified for exemption under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law), as the Directors shall determine, provided that no such assets shall be distributed to any corporation, fund or foundation, any part of whose net earnings inure to the benefit of or is distributable to any individual or any corporation for profit. Nor shall any of the assets be distributed to any member, officer, or director of this corporation.

ARTICLE 12

POWERS AND LIMITATIONS

The corporation shall, unless specified otherwise in these Articles of Incorporation, have all powers as set forth for not-for-profit corporations under the Statutes of the State of Florida, provided, however, that the corporation may not:

- A. Issue any shares of stock;
- B. Distribute at any time or in any manner any part of the net income or assets of the corporation for a taxable year as to subject the corporation to Federal Income Tax under the provisions of Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, not engage in any act of self dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, nor make any investments in such manner as to subject the corporation to Federal Income Tax under the provisions of Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, nor make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended;
- C. Engage in any transaction prohibited under the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or any regulations, proclamations, rulings, or other statements made by the Internal Revenue Service, the engagement of which would be cause for the denial of a continuation of the corporation as an organization exempt from Federal Income Tax under the provisions of Section 501 (a) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or which conduct is not permitted by an organization exempt from taxation under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code and Regulations or by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code and Regulations, such Sections as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended;
- D. Contact, or urge the public to contact members of a legislative body for the purpose of proposing, supporting, influencing, or opposing legislation, or advocate the

which conduct is not permitted by an organization exempt from taxation under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code and Regulations or by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code and Regulations, such Sections as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended;

D. In the event of dissolution, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all the liabilities of the corporation, turn over the residual assets of the corporation to any person, corporation, or organization other than a type of organization described as exempt under the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) and Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or any corresponding Sections of any prior or future Internal Revenue

Code, or the Federal, State, or Local Government for exclusively public purposes.

E. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

ARTICLE 13 INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT

THE INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT IS:

Norman G. Cook

16900 Slater Rd., Lot 37

N. Ft. Myers, Fl. 33917

ARTICLE 14 INCORPORATORS

THE INCORPORATORS ARE:

Norman G. Cook

P.O.Box 3531, N. Ft. Myers, FL. 33918

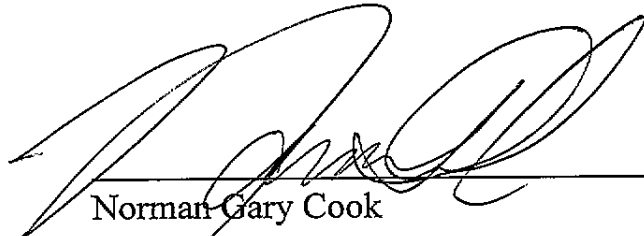
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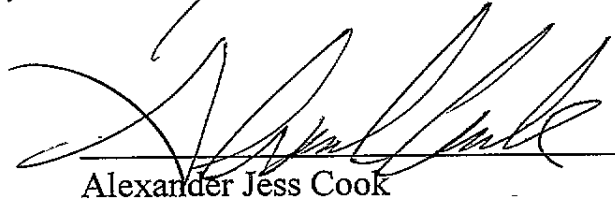
Lorna G. Cook

P.O.Box 3531, N. Ft. Myers, FL. 33918

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the undersigned subscribing Incorporators, have hereunto set our hands and seals this 4th day of April, 2002, for the purpose of forming this not-for-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.



(SEAL)
Norman Gary Cook



(SEAL)
Alexander Jess Cook



(SEAL)
Lorna Gail Cook

CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION
REGISTERED AGENT / REGISTERED OFFICE

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 607.0501, Florida Statutes, the undersigned corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following Statement in designating the Registered Office / Registered Agent, in the State of Florida:

1. The name of the corporation is:

THE CHURCH ALIVE INTERNATIONAL, INC.,
A Not For Profit Corporation

2. The name and address of the Registered Agent and Office of the corporation is:

Norman Gary Cook
16900 Slater Rd., Lot 37
North Fort Myers, Florida 33917



Signature of Corporate Officer

Alexander Jess Cook

Title: Vice President

Date: April 4th, 2002

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Having been named as Registered Agent and to accept Service of Process for the above-stated corporation at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as Registered Agent and agree to act in this capacity; I further agree to comply with the provisions of all Statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as Registered Agent.



Signature of Registered Agent

Norman Gary Cook

Date: April 4th, 2002