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

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

□ \$70.00 Filing Fee Filing Fee & Certificate of Status

Filing Fee & Certified Copy \$87.50

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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF HOLY PRESENCE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST INC.

The undersigned by these Articles associate themselves together and make, subscribe, acknowledge and file these Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of becoming incorporated as a corporation not for profit under the laws of the state of Florida.

#### ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of the corporation shall be Holy Presence Church of God in Christ Incorporated and shall be located at 2900 Coronet Lane Suite 608, Jacksonville Florida, Duval County, Florida.

### ARTICLE II PURPOSE

Believing in the Bible as the inspired work of God and as the sole authority for faith and practice, and acknowledging adherence to teachings of Jesus Christ, the purpose for which this corporation is organized are as follows: To maintain regular services; to proclaim earnestly the gospel message and urge its acceptance; to cooperate heartily by prayer, gift and service in the effort to establish the Kingdom of Christ throughout the world; to promote systematic Bible study and training for Christian services and to encourage in every possible way life enlistment in Christianity; to conduct for religious worship and instruction churchs, schools, pastoriums and other institutions connected therewith of a religious, educational, charitable and benevolent character to the end that it's own members and the people of the community in which it is located can advance in spiritual growth and enlightenment. To establish human and development ministries, programs, and schools to promote personal empowerment through spiritual development. To conduct any and all other lawful business as prescribed by the laws of Florida.

#### ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

Any person who believes in the Christian experience and is willing to embrace it in its fullness, who accepts the worship of the Almighty God according to the doctrines of Holy Presence Church of God in Christ, or who is a member of a sister church and is accompanied by a letter or other pastoral commendation, and who is willing to abide by the rules, regulations, bylaws, policies and advocacies of the Holy Presence Church of God in Christ, Inc. is eligible for membership in the corporation. Such persons who at any regular services of the church openly express their desire for membership in this body may be adjoined through congregational acceptance (simple majority vote of the members present) and pastoral approval (right hand of fellowship is extended by the pastor)

The present membership of the Holy Presence Church of God in Christ, and those hereafter admitted to membership in this corporation is hereinabove set forth, shall constitute the membership of this corporation

ARTICLE IV TERM

This corporation shall have perpetual existence.

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ARTICLE V

The spiritual affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a senior pastor. There shall be a board of directors to assist the pastor in handling the business affairs of the corporation. There shall be at least five and not more than 20 members of the board of directors, one of whom shall be the senior pastor, who shall also be the president of the board. All persons shall be appointed to the board by the pastor.

One of these persons shall serve as secretary to the board, and the other will serve as treasure to the board. These officers shall serve until replaced by subsequent pastoral appointment. All of the remaining members of the board shall be appointed by the pastor annually. All legal instruments of the corporation shall be signed by the chairman or vice president of the board, and attested by the secretary; or in such manner as may be authorized by law.

The term of the founding/senior pastor shall be indefinite.

## ARTICLE VI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The following named persons shall constitute the officer and board of directors of this corporation:

PRESIDENT/SENIOR PASTOR

Reverend M. L. Bryson

ARTICLE VII: BYLAWS

The bylaws of this corporation shall be made altered rescinded through proposal by the board of directors, approval by the general membership via simple majority vote at annual meeting of the corporation, or special meeting of the corporation called for that purpose, provided that notice of at least six days is given in writing or from the pulpit.

ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENTS

This corporation shall amend these Articles by resolution proposed by the board of directors, passed by the general membership of the church, via simple majority vote at any annual meeting of the corporation, or special meeting of corporation called for that purpose, and sanctioned by the pastor. The Articles of Incorporation shall be amended and the amendment or amendments incorporated herein shall be effective only when the amendments or amendment has or have been filed with the Secretary of State, of the State of Florida and approved by him, and all fees paid.

# ARTICLE IX REGISTERED AGENT

Reverend M.L. Bryson 2900 Coronet Ln Ste 608 Jacksonville, Florida 32207

Having been named as registered agent and accepted 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 comply in performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligation of my position as

registered agent.

Signature

8/3/02 Date

ARTICLE X SIGNATURE OF INCORPORATORS

Reverend M.L. Bryson

2900 Coronet Lane, Suite 608 Jacksonville,FL

Date

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