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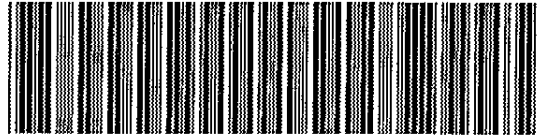
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A Florida Corporation
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Articles of Incorporation of the undersigned, a majority of who are citizens of the United States, desiring to form a Non-Profit Corporation under the Non-Profit Corporation Law of Florida, do hereby certify:

Article One

NAME

The name of the Corporation is "THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF THE CHURCHES OF THE LIVING GOD, INC."

Article Two

DURATION

The term of existence of the Corporation is perpetual; and the corporate existence will commence on November 22, 2002, and with the filing of these articles by the Department of State.

Article Three

DEFINITIONS

Listed below are the definitions used in this document.

Outreaches—Ministries whose main purpose is to reach out to others by going to where they are.

Missions—Ministries whose main purpose is to reach out to others from established places sponsored by a local church or this organization.

Ministries—Ministries whose main purpose is to tend to those within the church.

Presbytery—Elders/Deacons elected or appointed according to the corporation's bylaws to one of the boards established by the organization.

General Presbytery—These are the directors of the corporation.

Elders—Recognized leaders that tend to the spiritual needs of the organization.

Deacons—Recognized leaders that tend to the temporal/secular needs of the organization.

Corporation/organization—these terms are interchangeable and mean the same thing.

Parent/umbrella organization—Basic covering of another organization. Purpose includes, but may not be limited to, overseeing the overall mission/purpose/leadership direction and administration of another organization.

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Article Four

PURPOSE

Said corporation is organized exclusively for religious and educational purposes, 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 the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Said Corporation is organized in order to engage in any lawful purpose or purposes not for pecuniary profit as stated above as a separate identity and also as a parent or umbrella corporation of other non-profit corporations that it decides to form or encompass as part of its organization to meet the purposes as outlined below and in the Corporation's bylaws, which includes, but not limited to (quotations are from the NIV Bible):

1. **PURPOSE ONE.** The Lord Jesus Christ said to "go into all the world and preach the good news (the gospel) to all creation (every creature) (Mark 16:15)." This will be accomplished through,
 - a. Evangelistic outreach meetings to minister God's word and power to the world
 - i. Foreign Outreaches
 - ii. Home Outreaches
 1. Prison Outreaches
 2. Street Outreaches
 3. Outreaches to the poor, includes, but not limited to, establishing and maintaining outreaches for food and clothing distributions to its members and to the poor in the world, and other help as authorized by the local or general presbytery
 4. Youth Outreaches
 - b. Establishing and maintaining regular mission services to preach the gospel and serve the local community
 - i. Foreign Missions
 - ii. Home Missions
 1. Prison Missions
 2. Street Missions
 3. Missions to the poor, includes, but not limited to, establishing and maintaining outreaches for food and clothing distributions to its members and to the poor in the world, and other help as authorized by the local or general presbytery
 4. Youth Missions
 - c. Establishing and maintaining communication outlets and activities to fulfill the Corporation's purposes, including but not limited to,
 - i. Music Ministry
 1. Concerts
 2. Recording
 - ii. Radio Ministry
 - iii. Publishing
 1. Books
 - a. Fiction
 - b. Non-Fiction
 2. Ministry literature
 3. Other printing needs
 - iv. TV

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- d. Establishing and maintaining outreaches to select groups
 - i. Men's Outreaches
 - ii. Women's Outreaches
 - iii. Youth Outreaches
 - iv. Senior's Outreaches
 - v. Minister Outreaches
 - vi. Special Group Outreaches
2. **PURPOSE TWO.** "Jesus said, 'Feed My Lambs (John 21:15).'" This will be accomplished through,
- a. Establishing and maintaining discipleship programs for new converts
 - b. Establishing and maintaining youth outreaches/missions
 - c. Establishing and maintaining youth training centers
 - d. Establish and maintain private schools for preschool to 12th grade programs, this will be done by uniting all of the local area churches to work as one for one effort
 - e. Establishing and maintaining outreaches to select groups that would include bringing in those outside of the organization
 - i. Men's Outreaches
 - ii. Women's Outreaches
 - iii. Youth Outreaches
 - iv. Senior's Outreaches
 - v. Minister Outreaches
 - vi. Special Group Outreaches
3. **PURPOSE THREE.** "Jesus said, 'Take care of my sheep (John 21:16).'" The Lord Jesus Christ also prayed to God, our Father, "that the Church members may be one, just as You are in me and I am in You. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that You have sent me. I have given them the glory that You gave me, that they might be one as we are one: I in them and You in me. May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that You sent me and have loved them even as You have loved me (John 17:21-23)." This will be accomplished through,
- a. Accepting one another in the truth
 - b. Establishing a recognized Presbyteries of servant-hood leadership to serve the Body of Christ, according to Christian principles and the Corporation's bylaws, activities to include, but not limited to,
 - i. Overseeing the administration of supporting, encouraging, and disciplining of ministers
 - ii. Establishing a committee to be responsible for
 - 1. Holding ministers accountable for their conduct and actions
 - 2. Taking disciplinary action when called for
 - c. All discipline shall be handled with humility according to the Corporation's bylaws
 - d. Establishing and maintaining, according to the corporation's bylaws, membership requirements and activities, and ministerial credentials
 - e. Submitting disputes to the leadership of the church in order to bring about Win-Win solutions, if the dispute cannot be settled, or another level of leadership is needed, then the General Presbytery, or its representative, shall hear the dispute, as outlined by the Corporation's bylaws
 - f. Everything will be done with the spirit/attitude of loving each other, not thinking more highly than we ought, but considering others better than ourselves

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4. **PURPOSE FOUR.** "Jesus said, 'Feed my sheep (John21:17).'" The Lord Jesus Christ also said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age (Matthew 28:18-20)." This will be accomplished through,
 - a. Overseeing the establishing and maintaining of local churches, to care for and to counsel members and those seeking God and God's ways, acting as the parent/umbrella organization, as outlined by the corporation's bylaws
 - b. Establishing and maintaining ministries to select groups to bring the body together to the unity and maturity that is required by God through our Lord Jesus Christ
 - i. Men's Ministries
 - ii. Women's Ministries
 - iii. Youth Ministries
 - iv. Senior's Ministries
 - v. Minister Ministries
 - vi. Special Group Ministries
 - c. Establishing and maintaining Christian Education degrees of participation, as outlined by the corporation's bylaws, this will be accomplish by
 - i. Developing course study materials and/or requirements
 - ii. Conducting classes and seminars to teach and train disciples in the way
 - iii. Establishing and maintaining religious schools for training Christian workers and ministers
 - iv. Establishing and maintaining Sunday Schools within its churches
 - v. Establishing and maintaining home churches to teach and encourage disciples in the way
 - vi. Establishing and maintaining Correspondence Schools for participation through regular mail, website activities, or local churches
 - vii. Establishing and maintaining at the local church courses/classes that are outside of the Christian core values that will allow members to broaden their talents (for example, foreign language, computer, sign language, etc. classes)
 - d. Christian counseling by recognized ministers based upon the ways of God

Article Five

THE STRUCTURE OF THE GENERAL PRESBYTERY (DIRECTORS)

The directors of the Corporation shall be known as the General Presbytery. There shall be two General Presbyteries established for the overseeing of the Corporation's affairs: The General Executive Presbytery (oversees the corporation's spiritual and purpose/mission direction) and the General Financial Presbytery (oversees the corporation's physical accomplishments, leadership, and financial accountability).

1. The General Executive Presbytery (GEP) shall consist of, as they are established and elected, the following,
 - a. Established for the oversight of doctrine and items classified as spiritual matters.
 - i. Purpose is to serve the body in spiritual matters.
 - ii. Dedication to spiritual matters and training shall fall upon their shoulders.
 - iii. Shall submit to the financial restrains as established by the GFP.
 - b. The General Executive Presbytery shall set the corporation's direction and priorities
 - c. Members
 - i. Elected, as outlined below and according to the bylaws,
 1. General Overseer (acting chairman)
 2. Assistant General Overseer (acting vice-chairman)
 3. General Secretary
 - ii. Chosen by the elected General Presbytery (1a)
 1. General Treasurer
 - iii. Overseers of the different ministry divisions, including, but not limited to:
 1. Outreach Overseer
 2. Youth Ministry Overseer
 3. Communication Overseer
 4. Ministerial Overseer
 5. Women's Ministry Overseer
 6. Men's Ministry Overseer
 7. Education Overseer
 8. General Financial Overseer
2. The General Financial Presbytery (GFP) shall consist of, as they are established and elected, the following,
 - a. Established for the oversight of temporal (physical, financial, etc.) matters.
 - i. Shall submit to the purpose/mission direction as established by the GEP.
 - ii. Leadership of the body shall fall upon their shoulders.
 - b. The General Executive Presbytery shall set the financial needs priorities
 - c. Members
 - i. Elected, as outlined below and according to the bylaws,
 1. General Financial Overseer (acting chairman)
 2. Assistant General Financial Overseer (acting vice-chairman)
 3. General Financial Secretary
 - ii. Chosen by the elected General Financial Presbytery (2a)
 1. General Financial Treasurer
 - iii. Treasurers of the different ministry divisions, including, but not limited to:
 1. Outreach Treasurer
 2. Youth Ministry Treasurer
 3. Communication Treasurer
 4. Ministerial Treasurer
 5. Women's Ministry Treasurer
 6. Men's Ministry Treasurer
 7. Education Treasurer
 8. General Treasurer
3. There shall not be more than 30% difference between the real (actual take-home after taxes) financial compensation of the top paid fulltime person and the lowest paid fulltime person from the corporation.

Article Six

THE ELECTION OF THE GENERAL PRESBYTERY (DIRECTORS)

There shall be two General Presbyteries established for the overseeing of the Corporation's affairs: The General Executive Presbytery (oversees the corporation's spiritual and purpose/mission direction) and the General Financial Presbytery (oversees the corporation's financial accountability and physical assets). Qualifications for the Presbytery shall be outlined within the corporation's bylaws. There shall only be held one election for both Presbyteries (boards). The election of both Presbyteries (boards) shall be made in the following way.

1. The General Executive Presbytery is chosen from this organization's recognized Elders.
 - a. Elected Officers shall be the General Overseer, Vice General Overseer, and General Secretary.
 - i. All candidates for the offices of General Overseer, Vice General Overseer, and General Secretary shall be nominated by secret ballot.
 - ii. Candidates do not become official officers until their names and the results of the voting are read before the General Assembly as described by this corporation's bylaws.
 - iii. All other details of the election process are outlined by this corporation's bylaws.
 - b. Appointed Officer shall be the General Executive Treasurer.
 - i. The General Executive Treasurer shall be chosen by the above officers in Section I(a) of this Article and shall not only meet the qualifications of the organizations bylaws, but shall also be the best candidate to fulfill the duties required of the General Executive Treasurer.
 - ii. A letter representing the reasons why the candidate was chosen shall be read to the General Assembly at the time of appointment.
 - iii. The candidate does not become the General Executive Treasurer until the letter is read before the General Assembly as described by this corporation's bylaws.
 - iv. All other details of the appointment process are outlined by this corporation's bylaws.
 - c. All other board members shall be called General Presbyters.
 - i. They shall be the overseers of the sub-division presbyteries of the corporation.
 - ii. They shall be elected or appointed according to the sub-division's bylaws as submitted to and approved by the General Presbytery.
 - d. The initial General Presbytery shall consist of at least a General Overseer, a General Secretary, and a General Treasurer. This is acceptable until the corporation has 75 adult members, at that time a Vice General Overseer shall be elected.
 - e. The General Presbyters shall be added as the sub-divisions are formed and the sub-division's bylaws are submitted and approved by the General Presbytery.
2. The General Financial Presbytery is chosen from this organization's recognized Deacons.
 - a. General Financial Overseer, Vice General Financial Overseer, and General Financial Secretary.
 - i. All candidates for the offices of General Financial Overseer, Vice General Financial Overseer, and General Financial Secretary shall be nominated by secret ballot.
 - ii. Candidates do not become official officers until their names and the results of the voting are read before the General Assembly as described by this corporation's bylaws.
 - iii. All other details of the election process are outlined by this corporation's bylaws.

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- b. Appointed Officer shall be the General Financial Treasurer.
 - i. The General Financial Treasurer shall be chosen by the above officers in Section 2(a) of this Article and shall not only meet the qualifications of the organizations bylaws, but shall also be the best candidate to fulfill the duties required of the General Financial Treasurer.
 - ii. A letter representing the reasons why the candidate was chosen shall be read to the General Assembly at the time of appointment.
 - iii. The candidate does not become the General Financial Treasurer until the letter is read before the general assembly as described by this corporation's bylaws.
 - iv. All other details of the appointment process are outlined by this corporation's bylaws.
 - c. All other board members shall be called General Financial Presbyters.
 - i. They shall be the treasurers of the sub-division presbyteries of the corporation.
 - ii. They shall be elected or appointed according to the sub-division's bylaws as submitted to and approved by the General Presbytery.
 - d. The initial General Financial Presbytery shall consist of at least a General Financial Overseer, a General Financial Secretary, and the General Treasurer from the General Executive Presbytery.
 - i. The General Executive Treasurer shall be acting General Financial Treasurer.
 - ii. This is acceptable until the corporation has 250 adult members, at that time a Vice General Financial Overseer and a General Financial Treasurer shall be elected.
 - e. The General Treasurer shall be a permanent member of the General Financial Presbytery. After a General Financial Treasurer is chosen he shall become a General Financial Presbyter.
 - f. The General Financial Presbyters shall be added as the sub-divisions are formed and the sub-division's bylaws are submitted and approved by the General Executive Presbytery.
3. Term of Office
- a. Term of Office shall be two years. At that time a review/election shall be held and the decision to keep or replace the Presbyter officers shall be made.
 - b. General Presbyters and General Financial Presbyters shall continue according to their departments' bylaws; however, the bylaws must include a two-year review/election.

Article Seven

MEMBERS

Qualification for membership of the Corporation with the number, qualifications and voting rights are laid down in the corporation's by-laws.

Article Eight

PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The initial registered office and principal office of the Corporation shall be located at 5305 Oakway Dr., Lakeland, FL 33805. The initial registered agent of the Corporation at the address shall be Perry M. Reeves. Said initial registered agent agrees to be said agent and signing his name agreeing to this.

Article Nine

INCORPORATOR

The incorporator of the Corporation shall be Perry M. Reeves, 5305 Oakway Dr., Lakeland, FL 33805.

Article Ten

LIMITATIONS

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, officers, directors, or other private persons, except that the 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 Article Three hereof.

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 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 (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Article Eleven

DISSOLUTIONMENT

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code. Said exempt purposes for the distribution of the corporation's assets shall be selected by a majority of current directors and presented to the current active members (if there are no members, a majority of the current directors will decide), as outlined by the by-laws, for a majority vote of those present. All members must be notified by letter sent to the address on file with the corporation.

Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Articles of Incorporation of The General Council Of The Churches Of The Living God, Inc.

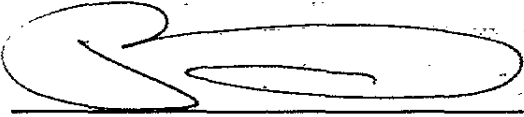
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I have subscribed my name this day of November 11, 2002.

 11/11/02

Perry M. Reeves, Incorporator

I, Perry M. Reeves, the undersigned, agrees to be recognized as the REGISTERED AGENT.

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Perry M. Reeves, Registered Agent

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