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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Department of State
Division of Corporations
P. O. Box 6327
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SUBJECT: First Baptist Church of Blountstown Florida, 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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☐ \$78.75
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ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Frank Guilford Jr.
Name (Printed or typed)

16693 SE Pear Street
Address

Blountstown Florida 32424
City, State & Zip

(850) 674-5923
Daytime Telephone number

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF BLOUNTSTOWN FLORIDA, INC.
A CORPORATION NOT FOR PROFIT**

SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

We, the undersigned subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation, each a natural person competent to contract, hereby associate ourselves together to form a corporation, not for profit, under the laws of Florida pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the Corporation is: First Baptist Church of Blountstown Florida, Inc. A corporation not for profit. The principal place of business and mailing address of the corporation shall be 16693 SE Pear Street, Blountstown, Florida 32424.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE OF THE CORPORATION

The general nature and object of said corporation shall be as follows:

The study of the Word of God, through preaching, and teaching thereof and all ways and manners and common use and practice among Missionary Baptists in the Southern Baptist Convention; to save the lost in the community and elsewhere; to train its members for more effective and efficient services among moral and spiritual development of its members and others; to do all things which will advance the cause and Kingdom of Christ in the community and which will be in keeping of the Great Commission of the Lord Jesus Christ to his people everywhere. To spread the Christian religion in every manner whatsoever. To receive funds for the spreading of the gospel of Jesus Christ and to expend such funds received for such purposes.

To buy, sell or otherwise acquire, hold, own, use, manage, improve, maintain, develop, sell, rent, mortgage, transfer or exchange both real and personal property; to trade in and deal with real and personal property, improved or unimproved, in the State of Florida and elsewhere. To contract debts and borrow money, issue and sell or pledge bonds, debentures, notes and other evidences of indebtedness, and execute such mortgages, transfers, corporate property, or other instruments to secure the payment of corporate indebtedness as required.

To borrow money for any worthwhile Christian purpose.

Upon dissolution of this organization, all of its assets remaining after payment of all costs and expenses of such dissolution shall be distributed to organizations which have qualified for exemption under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or to the Federal government, or to a State or local government, for a public purpose, and none of the assets will be distributed to any member, officer, or trustee of this organization.

This Corporation shall be authorized to exercise the powers permitted non-profit corporations under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes; provided however, that this corporation, in exercising any one or more of such powers shall do so in furtherance of the exempt purpose for which it has been organized and described in Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Any person may offer himself as a candidate for membership in this church. All such candidates shall be presented to the church at any regular worship service for membership, in any of the following ways:

1. By profession of faith and for baptism.

2. By profession of faith and prior baptism by a church of another denomination, provided the individual's concepts of baptism are the same as found in our Constitution.
3. By promise of a letter from another Southern Baptist Church.
4. By restoration upon a statement of prior conversion experience and baptism in a Southern Baptist Church when no letter is obtainable.

Should there be any dissent as to any candidate, such dissent shall be referred to the pastor and deacons for investigation and the making of a recommendation to the church within thirty (30) days. A three-fourths vote of those members present and voting shall be required to elect such candidates to membership.

ARTICLE IV - DURATION

The corporation, not for profit, shall exist perpetually, unless otherwise dissolved by law.

ARTICLE V - INCORPORATORS

The names and residences of the subscribers of the corporation not for profit are:

Michael Devuyst – 20309 NE Hentz Avenue, Blountstown, Florida 32424
 Frank Guilford, Jr. – 21012 NE Wendy Lane, Blountstown, Florida 32424
 Harry Rogers – Hwy 69 N, Blountstown, Florida 32424
 Todd Johnson – 22447 NE Quail Run Road, Blountstown, Florida 32424
 Eddie “Joe” King – 14185 Hwy 20 W, Altha, Florida 32421
 Jerry Hatcher – 20949 NE John Redd Road, Blountstown, Florida 32424
 Milo Smith – 16558 S Pear Street, Blountstown, Florida 32424
 Dwight Van Lierop – 12997 SW CR 275, Blountstown, Florida 32424
 Gary Wayne Purvis – 15023 SW Boll Weevil Lane, Blountstown, Florida 32424
 Mark Collier – 19588 SW Seminole Lane, Blountstown, Florida 32424
 Chuck Bozeman – 22241 NE Quail Run Road, Blountstown, Florida 32424
 Gerald Frye – 20703 NE John G. Bryant Road, Blountstown, Florida 32424

ARTICLE VI – INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The affairs of the corporation are to be managed by the Board of Directors. The names and addresses of the first Board of Directors who are subject to the privileges of this certificate of incorporation, by the by-laws, and laws of the State of Florida, which hold office for the first year of the corporation's existence or until their successors are elected and have qualified are as follows:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Address</u> | <u>Office</u> |
|---------------------|--|---------------|
| Michael Devuyst | 20309 NE Hentz Avenue, Blountstown, Florida 32424 | Director |
| Frank Guilford, Jr. | 21012 NE Wendy Lane, Blountstown, Florida 32424 | Director |
| Harry Rogers | 24737 NE SR 69 North, Blountstown, Florida 32424 | Director |
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ARTICLE VII - DIRECTORS AND AMEDEMEMENTS

The number of directors of the corporation, not for profit, shall be twelve (12). The active deacons shall be the Directors of the corporation. The number of directors of this corporation, not for profit, may be increased to a maximum of fifteen (15) or diminished from time to time by by-laws adopted by the Board of Directors but shall never have less than three (3) directors. The by-laws of the corporation shall be approved by the Board of Directors and may be amended. Every amendment shall be approved by the Board of Directors, proposed by them to the entire membership and approved at the general membership meeting by a majority of the members entitled to vote thereon, or at a special general membership meeting called by a 2/3 majority of the Board of Directors.


ARTICLE VIII - ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the members of said corporation shall be held at the office of said corporation in Calhoun County, Florida, at 16693 SE Pear Street on the first Wednesday after the first Friday of September of each year; provided that the date for holding the annual meeting may be changed by majority vote of the members at any regular meeting of the corporation. At the first annual meeting of the members of said corporation, not for profit, said members shall by majority vote, adopt by-laws.

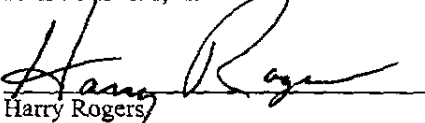
ARTICLE IX - INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

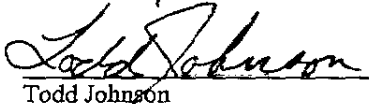
The initial registered office shall be at 16693 SE Pear Street, Blountstown, Florida 32424, and the initial registered agent shall be Frank Guilford, Jr.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have made and subscribed these Articles of Incorporation not for profit, at Blountstown, Florida for the uses and purposes aforesaid on the 2nd day of December, 2002.

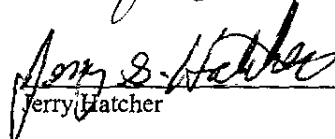

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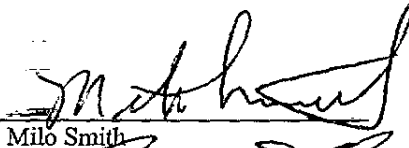

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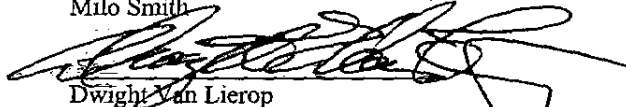

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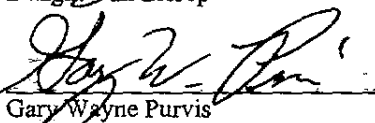

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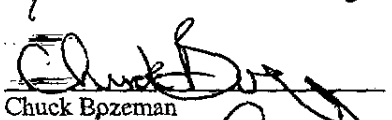

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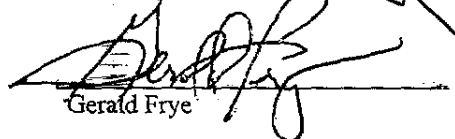

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ACCEPTANCE OF DESIGNATION BY REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named as Registered Agent and to accept service of process for the First Baptist Church of Blountstown, Florida, Inc. at the place designated in the articles of incorporation, I hereby accept appointment as Registered Agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all 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.

Frank D. Sullivan, Jr.
Registered Agent

12/8/2002
Date

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