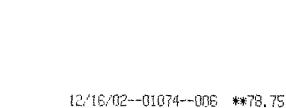
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Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for:

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321-508-3671 Daytime Telephone number

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



## FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Jim Smith Secretary of State

December 17, 2002

NEW RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH P.O. BOX 360815 MELBOURNE, FL 32936

SUBJECT: NEW RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH OF BREVARD COUNTY, INC.

Ref. Number: W02000035240

We have received your document for NEW RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH OF BREVARD COUNTY, 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):

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.

The registered agent must have a Florida street address. A post office box, personal mail box (PMB), or mail drop-box address is not acceptable.

The registered agent and street address must be consistent wherever it appears in your document.

The document must contain written acceptance by the registered agent, (i.e. "I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as Registered Agent.)

The registered agent must sign accepting the designation.

An effective date <u>may</u> be added to the Articles of Incorporation <u>if a 2003 date is needed</u>, otherwise the date of receipt will be the file date. <u>A separate article must be added to the Articles of Incorporation for the effective date.</u>

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.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6067.

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#### Articles of Incorporation

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SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

## New River Baptist Church of Brevard County, Inc.

(A State Corporation)

WHEREAS, it is deemed to be desirable and in the best interests of this Church and its members that it be incorporated pursuant to the State Non-Profit Corporation Act, Chapter 617 F.S.: now, therefore, be it:

RESOLVED, that the undersigned acting as incorporators of a State corporation under the State Non-Profit Corporation Act, Chapter 617, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation.

## Article I New River Baptist Church of Brevard County, Inc.

The name of this corporation shall be New River Baptist Church of Brevard County, Inc. The street address of the principal location of this corporation shall be: 3950 Dairy Rd., West Melbourne, Florida 32904 The mailing address of this corporation shall be: P.O. Box 360815, Melbourne, Florida 32936.

## Article II <u>Duration</u>

The corporation shall have perpetual existence and will commence on the filing of these articles by the Department of State.

#### Article III Purpose

The purpose of New River Baptist Church is

TO	Magnify	We celebrate God's presence in worship.
ТО	Mission	We communicate God's Word through evangelism.
TO	Membership	We incorporate God's family into our fellowship.
ТО	Maturity	We educate God's people through discipleship.

This congregation is organized as a church exclusively for religious, charitable, and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law) including, but not limited to, for such purposes, the establishing and maintaining of religious worship, the building, maintaining and operating of churches, parsonages, schools, colleges, chapels, radio stations, television stations, rescue missions, missionary auxiliaries, print shops, day care centers, camps, nursing and retirement homes, cemeteries, and any other ministries that the staff, elected leaders, and/or church body may be led of God, all of which are established for the benefit of the members of New River Baptist Church by providing opportunities for spiritual, physical, intellectual, social and cultural development.

#### Article IV Initial Board of Directors

The names and addresses of the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation who will serve until the first election following incorporation are as follows:

President: Ronald L. Smith
Secretary: Benjamin F. Quinn
Treasurer: Joyce A. Searles

3420 Willowwood Dr. Melbourne, FL 32904
1973 Cedarwood Dr., Melbourne, FL 32935
2144 Misty Way, Melbourne, FL 32935

### Article V Initial Registered Office and Agent

The street address of the initial principal registered office of the corporation is: 3420 Willowwood Dr. West Melbourne, FL 32904. The name of the initial registered agent of the corporation at that address is: Ronald Smith.

#### Article VI Incorporators

The names and residence addresses of the subscribers of these Articles of Incorporation are the same as those in Article IV above.

#### Article VII Tax-Exemption Provisions

No part of the net earnings of the Church shall inure to the benefit of or be distributed to its members, elders, officers, staff, or other private persons, except that the Church shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for the services rendered and to

make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the Church's Constitution.

No substantial part of the activities of the Church shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. The Church shall not participate in, nor intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

#### Article VIII Conduct of Corporate Affairs

The conduct of the affairs of the Corporation will be to open accounts at financial institutions including but not limited to checking and savings accounts and as outlined in the Constitution and Bylaws of the Corporation. The powers of the Corporation are to be regulated as outlined in the Constitution and Bylaws of the Corporation. The manner in which directors are elected or appointed will be as provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

#### Article IX <u>Dissolution of Corporate Affairs</u>

If this Church should ever be dissolved, all of its assets remaining after payment of all outstanding debts and obligations, costs, and expenses of such dissolution shall be distributed to such nonprofit organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for religious purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501 (c) (3) or the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or any regulations succeeding said Section. Assets may be distributed only to organizations, which agree with the Church's doctrinal statement as defined in the Church Constitution.

Members of said Church, defined in Bylaws, who are members in good standing at the time of the dissolution of the said Church, shall, in a called meeting, designate the religious organization(s) to receive said assets of the Church after dissolution. None of the assets of said Church shall be distributed to any member, elder, officer, or staff of this Church, or any individual.

#### Article X Amendments to Articles of Incorporation

The Articles of Incorporation may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those members present and voting when the members of the Corporation are meeting in conference as provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

#### Article XI Election of Directors

The qualifications for membership in the Corporation and to serve as a director of the Corporation are stated in the Bylaws of the Corporation. Directors shall be elected or appointed in accordance with the Bylaws of the Corporation.

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I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as Registered Agent.

Ronald L. Smith, Registered Agent

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF BREVARD

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, authorized to take acknowledgements in the state and county set forth above, personally appeared:

RONALD L. SMITH, BENJAMIN F. QUINN, AND JOYCE A. SEARLES, known to me and by me to be the persons who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and they acknowledged before me that they executed these Articles of Incorporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and affixed my official seal in the state and county aforesaid, this 12 to day of January, 2002. 2003

Notary Public Signature

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Printed Name

