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### FLORIDA NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

ALTON CHURCH OF GOD, INC.

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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF ALTON CHURCH OF GOD, INC.

We, the undersigned hereby associate ourselves together for the purpose of becoming incorporated under the laws of the State of Florida applicable to corporations not for profit, and respectfully petition the Secretary of State for approval of such incorporation under the following proposed Articles of Incorporation.

#### ARTICLE I.

#### NAME

The name of this corporation shall be ALTON CHURCH OF GOD, INC., and its principal place of business and place of worship shall be at Route 2. Box 1491, Mayo, Florida 32066.

#### ARTICLE II

#### **PURPOSES**

The general purpose and objects of this corporation shall be to conduct religious worship and instruction, churches, schools, parsonages, and other institutions connected therewith of a religious, educational, charitable and benevolent character to the end that its own members and others may be generally instructed and guided concerning their faith, and to advance spiritual growth and enlightenment, moral and personal purity among its own membership and the people of the community in which it is located. And for the purpose of promoting the foregoing purposes, this corporation shall have the right to acquire, either by gift or purchase, and to hold, own, sell, mortgage, or encumber in any manner, lease and improve real estate and

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personal property for itself and others, either as Trustee or otherwise.

This corporation shall issue no stock. No part of the net carnings of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, directors, officers or other private persons except that this 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 this article. No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or other wise attempting, to influence legislation. This corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office, including the publishing or distribution of statements. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under \$501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or the corresponding provision of any future United State Internal Revenue Law, or by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under \$170(c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law. On the dissolution of this corporation the board of directors shall dispose of all of the assets of this corporation exclusively for the purposes of this corporation in the manner or so the organization or organizations that are organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational,

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religious or scientific purpose and that shall at the time qualify as exempt organizations under \$501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or the corresponding provision of any future Untied States Internal Revenue Law, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all liabilities of this corporation. Any assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of aby a court of competent jurisdiction in the county where the principal office of this corporation is then located exclusively for the purposes or to the organizations that the court determines are organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious or scientific purposes.

#### ARTICLE III.

#### HSE OF INCOME

All revenue, profit, income and money received from the conduct of such business or enterprise is to be used and employed in religious, educational, charitable, benevolent and missionary work and not for the benefit of the members of said corporation, either individually or collectively.

#### ARTICLE IV.

#### POWERS

Said corporation is to have the power to do any and all things necessary or expedient for carrying out the said objects and purposes of the corporation and in general to possess all rights, privileges and immunities, and enjoy all the herefits granted to corporations of similar character under the law of the State of Florida.

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#### ARTICLE V.

#### RESTRICTIONS

The activities of the Church shall be limited to charitable, educational, philanthropic, and other purposes that permit a corporation to qualify as a tax exempt organization under Section 501(c) (3), of the Internal Revenue Code as presently snacted, or might hereinafter be amended. Any activity in violation of such section of law is strictly prohibited.

#### ARTICLE VI.

#### QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Every person who believes in repentance toward God, and faith in Jesus Christ, as Savior and Lord, and who is willing to confess to Him publicly as Lord and King and follow Him in baptism by immersion, and to observe the ordinances of Christ and to be governed by His laws, is qualified and eligible for membership in this corporation.

#### ARTICLE VII

#### ADMISSION TO MEMBERSHIP

The manner of admission to mombership in said corporation shall be by pastoral counseling session, public confession before congregation and profession of taith as hereinabove provided in Article VI, and by general consent of the membership of said corporation present at any meeting of said Church. The present members of ALTON CHURCH OF GOD, not INCORPORATED OF LAFAVETTE COUNTY, FLORIDA, and those hereafter admitted to membership shall constitute the membership of this corporation.

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#### ARTICLE VIII

#### TERM OF EXISTENCE

The corporation shall have perpetual existence, and shall commence its corporate existence as of the date of the filing of these Articles.

#### ARTICLE IX.

#### INCORPORATORS

The name and address of the incorporator of this corporation is:

NAME

#### ADDRESS.

Charles E. Hodge, Jr. Route 2, Box 1491 Mayo, Florida 32066

#### ARTICLE X.

#### ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The election of Directors of the Corporation shall be stated in the By-Laws.

#### ARTICLE XI

#### REGISTERED OFFICE AND RESIDENT AGENT

The registered office of the corporation shall be Route 2 Box 1491, Mayo, Florida 32066, and the resident agent of the corporation is CHARLES E. HODGE, JR., whose physical address is Route 2, Box 1491, Mayo, Florida 32066 and whose mailing address is Route 2, Box 1491, Mayo, Florida 32066.

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#### ARTICLE XII.

#### HY-LAWS

The members of the Church shall have the right to make and adopt such Buy Laws as they shall deem proper and advisable and such By Laws shall be made, altered, or rescinded upon a majority vote of the members present and voting, at any regular or special business meeting of the Church called for that purpose.

#### ARTICLE XIII.

#### **OFFICERS**

The following shall be the initial officers of the corporation, to serve until their successors are duly elected and qualified:

NAME

#### <u>ADURESS</u>

OFFICE

Charles E. Hodge, Jr.

Route 2, Box 1491 President

Mayo, Florida 32066

M.A. Perry

Route 3, Box 193 Sccretary/Treasurer Mayo, Florida 32066

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said incorporator has hereunto set his hands and seals this 3/5 day of Agraphy A. D. 2003.

Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF LAFAYETTE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day before mc, an officer duly authorized in the State and County named above to take acknowledgments, personally appeared CHARLES E. HODGE, JR., before me known to be the persons described as the incorporator in, and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and acknowledged before me that he subscribed to these Articles of Incorporation.

WITNESS my hand official send in the County and State named above this 21 day of Thomas A. D. 2003

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OR PROCESS WITHIN FLORIDA, NAMING REGISTERED AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH FLA. STAT. 48.091, THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED:

ALTON CHURCH OF GOD, INC., TO ORGANIZE OR QUALIFY UNDER THE LAWS OF FLORIDA, WITH ITS PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS AT ROUTE 2, BOX 1491, MAYO, FLORIDA 32066, HAS NAMED CHARLES F. HODGE, JR., WHOSE PHYSICAL ADDRESS IS ROUTE 2, BOX 1491, MAYO, FLORIDA 32066, AND WHOSE MAILING ADDRESS IS ROUTE 2, BOX 1491, MAYO, FLORIDA 32066, AS ITS REGISTERED AGENT TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN FLORIDA.

CHARLES E. HODGE, JR.
INCORPORATOR AND PRESIDENT

Dated: 0/ 2/, 2003

HAVING BEEN NAMED REGISTERED AGENT TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED CORPORATION, AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN THIS CERTIFICATE, I HEREBY AGREE TO ACT IN THIS CAPACITY, AND I AM FAMILIAR WITH AND ACCEPT THE OBLIGATIONS OF THAT POSITION, AND I FURTHER AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ALL STATUTES RELATIVE TO THE PROPER AND COMPLETE PERFORMANCE OF MY DUTIES.

CHARLES E. HODGE, JR. Registered Agent

Dated: 0/ 2/, 2003

SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA