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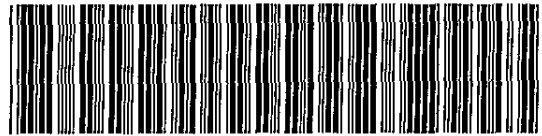
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**SUBJECT:** Mount Sinai Missionary Baptist Church of Deliverance, Inc.  
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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
MOUNT SINAI MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH OF DELIVERANCE, INC.**

THE UNDERSIGNED, as Incorporator and behalf of a not-for-profit non-stock corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

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**PREAMBLE**

Whereas, we, a body of Christian evangelical believers in Jesus Christ, organized for the purpose of fellowship and propagation of the gospel of our Lord as recorded in the Holy Scripture, deem it wise that we have certain laws to serve as a criterion to work by; and help preserve the purpose and function of the local church; therefore be it resolved: that beginning with its legal adoption thereof we shall be governed by the following Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws.

**ARTICLE I - NAME**

The name of this organization, a non-profit religious corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida is the Mount Sinai Missionary Baptist Church of Deliverance, Inc.

**ARTICLE II - PURPOSE**

The purpose of this church shall be as follows:

1. To accept and to participate the Great Commission of our Lord, Jesus Christ. (Matt 28:19-20; Mark 16:15)
2. To build, in Christ, a church of Love where believers by working together for the unity, edification, discipline, and encouragement of believers that they might grow into our Lord, Jesus Christ image; (Acts 2:42; Romans 12; Colossians 3:12-15; Ephesians 4:11-16)
3. To mainly minister, but not limit to, Television and radio evangelism, prison outreach ministry, magazine publications, worldwide evangelism, crusades, street evangelism and food kitchen ministry.

**ARTICLE III - STATEMENT OF FAITH**

We Believe:

1. The Scriptures, both Old and New Testaments, to be the verbally inspired Word of God, without error in the original writings, the complete revelation of His will for the salvation of men, and the

- Divine and final authority for all Christian faith and life. II Timothy 3:16-17; II Peter 1:19-21.
2. In one God, Creator of all things, infinitely perfect and eternally existing in three persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. John 17:3; Revelation 4:11.
  3. That Jesus Christ is the son of God and was made flesh, having been conceived of the Holy Ghost and born of the Virgin Mary. He died on the cross a sacrifice for our sins according to the Scriptures. Further, he arose bodily from the dead, ascended into heaven, where at the right hand of the Majesty on High, He now is our High Priest and Advocate. John 1:1; Hebrews 1:8; I Corinthians 15:3-4; Matthew 1:18; Hebrews 1:3; Hebrews 9:24.
  4. That the ministry of the Holy Spirit is to glorify the Lord Jesus Christ, and during this age to convict men, regenerate the believing sinner, indwell, guide, instruct and empower the believers for Godly living and service. John 14:26; John 14:17; John 16:7-11.
  5. That man was created in the image of God, but fell into sin and is therefore lost and only through regeneration by the Holy Spirit can salvation and spiritual life be obtained. Genesis 1:26; Romans 5:12; Titus 3:3-7.
  6. That the shed blood of Jesus Christ and His resurrection provide the only ground for justification and salvation for all who believe, and only such as receive Jesus Christ are born of the Holy Spirit and thus become children of God. Acts 4:12; Colossians 1:20; Romans 6:5-6; Titus 3:5-7.
  7. That water baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances to be observed by the church during the present age. They are, however, not to be regarded as means of salvation. Matthew 28:19; Acts 8:36-39; Acts 16:31-33; I Corinthians 11:23-25; Acts 22:16.
  8. That the true Church is composed of all such persons who through saving faith in Jesus Christ have been regenerated by the Holy Spirit and are united together in the body of Christ of which He is the Head. Ephesians 1:22; Colossians 1:18.
  9. That only those who are thus members of the true Church Universal shall be eligible for membership in the local church. Acts 2.
  10. That Jesus Christ is the Lord and Head of the Church and that every local church has the right under Christ to decide and govern its own affairs. Ephesians 1:22; Colossians 1:18.
  11. In the personal and pre-millennial and imminent coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and that this "Blessed Hope" has a vital bearing on the personal life and service of the believer. Acts 1:11; I Corinthians 15:51-52; I Thessalonians 4:16-18; Titus 2:13-14.
  12. In the bodily resurrection of the dead; of the believer to everlasting blessedness and joy with the Lord; of the unbeliever to judgment and everlasting conscious punishment. I Corinthians 15; Revelation 20:6; John 5:28-29.

#### **ARTICLE IV – MEMBERSHIP**

1. Requirements: This church shall receive as members only those who have by faith accepted and baptized into Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior, and who are willing to live in harmony following peace with all mentalities of Faith, and who are willing to regularly and faithfully attend services and support the ministry of this church.
2. Membership categories:
  - 2.1. Active Members: Members who are 18 or older. Pastor and his/her spouse becomes active member immediately after accepting the calling from Church. The right and responsibility of Active Membership are as follows:
    - 2.1.1. Active members shall have the right to vote in Church Meetings.

- 2.1.2. Active members, who have 50% or more attendance of church Sunday services in the 6-month period prior to election, can be nominated as candidates for elections of church offices unless otherwise specified in the qualification of positions
- 2.1.3. Active members shall participate and support ministries, services, and meetings of this church.
- 2.1.4. Active members have the responsibility to grow in spirit according to Bible's teaching and build a family of God in unity.
- 2.2. Junior Members: Members are under age of 18. When a junior member reaches the age of 18, he/she shall follow process to become an active member during a 6-month transition period. After the transition period, the junior membership terminates automatically. The right and responsibility of Junior members are as follows:
  - 2.2.1. Junior members have right to attend activities sponsored by church.
  - 2.2.2. Junior members do not have right to vote nor can be considered as candidates for church offices unless otherwise specified.
- 2.3. Inactive members: Members who have not maintained contact with the church and have not responded to within three months of the latest church's inquiry. Inactive members have no voting right.
3. Admission: Any person who qualifies per above, has been regularly attending Sunday Services and desires membership, can become a candidate for membership of this church. The admission process are listed as follows:
  - 3.1. Admission by Baptism: Any person professing faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, giving evidence of a change of heart; and willing to be ruled and governed by the Word of God and constitution of this church.
  - 3.2. Admission by Letter: A member from other Baptist Church or other denomination or non-denominational church, holding like faith with a letter of suitable credentials.
  - 3.3. Admission by Experience or Restoration: All candidates or applicants for membership other than by baptism or by letter that is by Christian experience or by statement, if previously baptized, or by restoration shall be received into the church in the same way as those by baptism, except that this ordinance shall not be administered. If they have not been properly baptized, this ordinance shall be required.
  - 3.4. New Members: All persons uniting with this church, in any of the above ways shall undergo a three-week orientation class being made acquainted with the church covenant, rules and regulations according to scripture and immediately be given opportunity to fulfill their stewardship obligations as to worship, service and giving.
4. Transfer of membership:
  - 4.1. Members from churches with similar faith of this church can apply for the transfer of membership to church.
    - 4.1.1. Applicants shall request ones previous church to send the proof of membership or a letter of recommendation to this church. This church shall interview applicants and ensure the faith statement of the other church is compatible with this church's. This church has the authority to accept the transfer of membership.
  - 4.2. Members of this church can apply for transfer of membership to other churches with similar faith. Senior Pastor, or the chairman in absence of Senior Pastor, shall prepare a letter of recommendation or other document requested by the other church. This church shall review and approve documents before sending to the church a member is transferring to.

5. Termination of membership: Membership can be terminated in one of the three ways listed as follows:

- 5.1. Voluntary Termination: Members can request in writing to terminate their membership. The termination takes effect immediately upon the reception of request by this church.
- 5.2. Automatic Termination: Membership of deceased terminates immediately. Memberships of Inactive members shall terminate automatically at the end of three months in inactive status.
- 5.3. Disciplinary Termination: If any member of the church who attends this church is found serious offense of living or teaching contrary to the Word of God and the Statement of Faith of this church, he/she shall be counseled in love by Pastor of this church or by the Board of Deacons or representatives selected by this church in absence of the BoD. If efforts to bring repentance and restoration fail, then the BoD, or representatives of this church in the absence of the BoD shall follow the procedures to terminate the membership outlined in the following passages of Scripture: Matthew 18:15-18; I Corinthians 5; II Corinthians 2:5-11; Galatians 6:1-2.
  - 5.3.1. No accusation will be considered by the church against any member unless supported by at least two witness. I Timothy 5:19
  - 5.3.2. The final termination requires a two-thirds majority vote in a properly called Church Business Meeting.

## **ARTICLE V - GOVERNMENT**

### **Section 1 - Statement of Government**

The Church Government under the teaching of Jesus Christ, the Head of the Church shall be as follows: Pastor, Ministers (Prophets, Evangelists), Deacons, Mothers, Deaconess and Teachers. Members shall prayerfully annually approve biblically qualified members to form the Board of Deacons (BoD) and Ministers to lead the ministry of this church. The church shall set up other officers and committees as it deems necessary for the advance of ministry according to this document.

### **Section 2 – Church Offices**

#### **I. Pastor**

##### **1.1. Qualifications:**

- 1.1.1. Characters: Trustworthy, good witness, patience, self-control, loving, kindness, meekness, and above reproach.
- 1.1.2. Godliness: Obedience to God, holiness, pure, firm foundation in belief of Jesus Christ, spiritual wisdom and understanding.
- 1.1.3. Family: If married, a pastor shall have one spouse, who is an exemplary Christian, and obedient children, if any.
- 1.1.4. Believe: completely recognize, accept and firmly believe in the Bible and the Faith Statement of this church.

##### **1.2. Calling Procedures:**

- 1.2.1. Members shall select a Pulpit Committee, which shall consist at least one-half of its members from BoD and Ministerial Staff.
- 1.2.2. Pulpit Committee shall search and recommend candidates to members of this

church. A candidate shall have opportunity to preach at one or more church services and be interviewed by BoD, and Ministerial Staff. The Ministerial Staff shall arrange meetings for members to interact with the candidate as part of the interview process.

1.2.3. Congregation shall vote on one candidate at a time. A two-thirds majority in a properly called Church Business Meeting approves the calling of the candidate for a pastor position. If a candidate is not approved, members shall vote on the next recommended candidate.

1.2.4. Once members approve the calling, the Pulpit Committee and the candidate shall negotiate and agree upon a term, which at minimal states the compensation, benefits and the responsibility, in writing, before calling is issued. The calling document must be signed by Chairman of Deacons and President of Ministerial Staff. The agreement must be signed by the candidate and the Chairman of Deacons before the candidate accepts the calling. This agreement can be changed with the consent of the called pastor at a later date.

1.3. Pastor's responsibility and rights:

1.3.1. Senior Pastor: Shall ensure the success of duties by personal contribution and/or by delegation.

1.3.1.1. Equip members in spiritual growth and in preaching of Gospel.

1.3.1.2. Lead and work with Ministers to define goals, strategies and plans for the ministries of the coming year before each November.

1.3.1.3. Oversee and co-ordinate the ministries and various church offices of this church to achieve the purpose of this church.

1.3.1.4. Report to BoD and Official Staff the progress of ministry and future strategies and plans of ministry in each December. The report shall specify in details, as deemed necessary by Official Staff, of the progress and specific plans for the next year. In order to serve together as body of Christ, all plans of ministry shall be approved by BoD and Official Staff before the end of December.

1.3.1.5. Be the ex-officio member of the Deacons, trustees and committees. He shall act as moderator of all business meetings of the church when present.

1.3.2. All Pastors' responsibility and rights: Shall carry out the responsibility by personal contribution or delegation.

1.3.2.1. Carry out the duties listed in the calling of agreements (or their revisions) and other tasks agreed by BoD and the Ministers or Pastor themselves.

1.3.2.2. Shall serve an unlimited term of service unless other arrangements are made at the time the call is accepted.

1.3.2.3. Shall have right to take Leave, up to two months, after serving seven full-time years and every six full-time years after. It is Pastor's responsibility to work out coverage of his duties during the Leave.

1.3.2.4. Receive compensation and benefits determined by BoD and Church members, with Pastor's approval.

1.3.2.5. Has right to attend all Church Meetings, except meetings that determine a pastor's own compensation and benefits. Shall have right for one month of vacation per year unless otherwise approved by Church members. The vacation of part time or non-full year pastors shall be prorated according to actual on-duty service days in a year. Pastor is encouraged to use up the



vacation time each year. A pastor can accumulate up to two months of vacation.

1.3.2.6. Receive feedback from BoD and Official Staff annually.

1.3.2.7. Preach and teach God's truth.

1.3.2.8. Be a member of Ministerial and Official Staff.

1.4. Termination:

1.4.1. A pastor can resign his position by the giving of a three-month notice to BoD, or by mutual consent.

1.4.2. By death.

1.4.3. By letter.

2. Assistant Pastor and Ministers

2.1. Qualification:

2.1.1. Characters: According to Acts 20:20-31; 1 Peter 5:1,2; 1 Timothy 3:2-7; 3:5, 5:7; 2 Timothy 2:24; Titus 1:6-9; James 5:14;

2.1.2. Willing to serve as an Assistant Pastor or Minister.

2.2. Responsibility:

2.2.1. With a heart of servant to lead the church in spiritual matters.

2.2.2. Equip members with sound doctrines

2.2.3. Protect the Congregation from false teachings.

2.2.4. Protect church from disturbance from ungodliness.

2.2.5. Equip spiritual leaders of this church.

2.2.6. Oversee and support church ministries.

2.2.7. Encourage the understanding and unity of Church.

2.2.8. Be a member of this Church.

2.2.9. Be a member of Ministerial and Official Staff.

2.2.10. Election procedures:

2.2.10.1. An Assistant Pastor candidate can be recommended by Pastor and a two-third majority of Church members.

2.2.10.2. Candidates must be informed in advance and agree to be listed as Assistant Pastor candidates.

2.2.10.3. The BoD shall announce the candidates to the Congregation. A two-week waiting period shall be given to the Congregation for consideration. All comments shall be given to Pastor and BoD.

2.2.10.4. After the waiting period, Pastor shall make the recommendation to Congregation for vote.

2.2.10.5. A two-third majority of vote in a properly called Church Business Meeting elects an Assistant Pastor.

2.2.11. If there is no proper candidate, Assistant Pastor position shall remain unfilled.

2.3. Termination:

2.3.1. An Assistant Pastor can resign from the office by submitting a written statement to Pastor or BoD. The resigning Assistant Pastor shall present in a Church Business Meeting and provide reasons. The resignation takes effect two weeks after the submission of resignation statement.

2.3.2. If a Minister is found unfit for the office of Assistant Pastor, BoD shall propose the removal of the office of the offending Minister to the Congregation. The office is terminated by a two-third majority vote in a properly called Church Business Meeting. No accusation to an Assistant Pastor will be considered without two

witnesses and a signed statement.

3. Deacons:

3.1. Qualifications:

3.1.1. According to Acts 6:2-3; 1 Timothy 3:8-13.

3.1.2. Shall be an active member during the past three years before the election.

Exception can be made by a two-third majority of the Church. The three year rule is waived for the first term Deacons of this church.

3.1.3. Willing to serve as a deacon.

3.2. Responsibility:

3.2.1. To lead, guide and serve in various ministries determined by Pastor.

3.2.2. To plan, execute and oversee for church activities in the assigned ministries.

3.2.3. Teach and encourage members to devote to serve God.

3.2.4. Be a member of Official Staff.

3.2.5. Call and conduct church meetings.

3.2.6. Attend Deacon's meetings.

3.3. Terms and election:

3.3.1. There will be one deacon per 25 active members in this church with one exception – when the number of active members is less than 100, members can elect up to four deacons.

3.3.2. There is no limit to term for deacons.

3.3.3. Deacons can be re-elected.

3.3.4. Election Procedures:

3.3.4.1. Pastor and/or members can recommend candidates three weeks before the election.

3.3.4.2. Recommended candidates shall be informed and must agree to serve before becoming a formal candidate.

3.3.4.3. Pastor shall announce name of candidates two weeks before election. Congregation shall prayerfully consider candidates.

3.3.4.4. A simple majority in a properly called Church Business Meeting elects deacons.

3.4. Termination:

3.4.1. A deacon can resign from the office by submitting a written statement to Pastor. The resigning deacon shall present in an official board meeting and provide reasons. The resignation takes effect two weeks after the submission of resignation statement.

3.4.2. If a deacon is found to have behaviors unfit for the office of Deacons, Pastor shall propose the removal of the office of the offending Deacon. The office is terminated by simple majority vote in a properly called Church Business Meeting. No accusation to a deacon will be considered without two witnesses and a signed statement.

4. Treasurer and Co-Treasurer

4.1. Qualification:

4.1.1. A treasurer must be a deacon.

4.1.2. Character: Honest, pure.

4.1.3. Willing to serve God.

4.2. Responsibility:

4.2.1. Collect offerings and tides. Offerings must be retrieved together by two persons

who are a treasurer, co-treasurers, Deacons. The retrieval shall not be done by two persons from the same family. A record, states clears the amount and forms of offerings, shall be maintained and signed by persons who retrieve offerings at the time of retrieval. All funds collected shall be deposited into church accounts in financial institutions used by this church. All checks or other forms of funds, except cash, transferred to this church shall be stamped "FOR DEPOSIT ONLY" at the time of collection.

4.2.2. Shall provide annually receipts for members who make offerings to church before the end of each January.

4.2.3. Disperse expense and bookkeeping.

4.2.3.1. Any expense should be accompanied by receipts except where receipts are not available, a written statement from the person received reimbursement must be provided if the expense is over \$30. If the recipient of a reimbursement is a family member of the issuer, the Treasurer or a Co-Treasurer should be informed before reimbursement is made.

4.2.3.2. All disperse of fund in terms of check, or any other methods to transfer funds out of church accounts in any financial institution shall have signatures from at least two authorized persons, including at least one member from Church Board or a person assigned by Church Board in writing. Regular disperse of funds within the approved budget (e.g., pastor's salary, reimbursement under \$50) can be made with only one signature if such items are approved by Finance Committee in advance. The total number of authorized persons shall be no more than four. No two signatures of any fund transfer document can be from the same family.

4.2.4. Oversee the budget and actual expense. The expense must be within the budget approves by the church. In emergency, over budget expense within 5% and within \$200, can be approved by both Finance Committee and the senior pastor verbally. Any other expense that is not within this guideline shall be approved by majority vote in a properly called Church Business Meeting.

4.2.5. Maintain all church accounts in financial institutions and all documents. No major asset can be transferred without the approval of simple majority vote at a properly called church meeting.

4.2.6. Shall prepare brief financial status to church monthly, report to Congregation financial status every quarter – first Sunday of January, April, July, and October.

4.3. Term and election:

4.3.1. There shall be one Treasurer and a number of Co-Treasurers determined by BoD, but no more than three Co-Treasurers.

4.3.2. A Treasurer shall have a one-year term. A Treasurer can be re-elected.

4.3.3. Election:

4.3.3.1. Treasurer and Co-Treasurers are nominated by BoD.

4.3.3.2. A simple majority in a properly called Church Business Meeting elects a Treasurer and co-treasurers.

4.4. Termination:

4.4.1. Treasurer or Co-Treasurers can resign from the office. In the absence of Treasurer, a deacon shall be assigned by BoD to work with a Co-Treasurer to assume the responsibility until a new Treasurer is elected.

- 4:4.2. If a Treasurer or Co-Treasurer is found unfit for the office, the BoD can terminate the office by a two-third majority in a properly called church business meeting. Congregation has right to override BoD's decision by a simple majority vote in a properly called Church Business Meeting. No accusation to a Co-Worker will be considered without two witnesses and a signed statement.

### **Section 3 – Organization**

1. Pastor and Ministers: Ministers of this church form the Ministerial Staff to carry out the responsibility stated in this document. The Assistant Pastor if there is one elected should serve as Chairman of Ministerial Staff under direction of the Pastor.
2. Board of Deacons: Deacons form the board to carry out the responsibility stated in this document. A Chairman should be elected from the elected Deacons of the board. The Chairman has the responsibility to call and conduct Church Business meetings. The chairman shall have right to delegate this responsibility.
3. Church Clerk: Clerk of this church form the group to carry out the responsibility stated in this document. Clerk shall maintain all church records.
4. Church Secretary: Secretary of this church shall record all minutes in church business meetings and assist Pastor in his documentations.
5. Committees: Various committees are formed to carry out the ministries of this church. Each committee shall elect a chairman from its members. Each chairman shall report to the pastor and chairman deacon.
  - 5.1. Permanent Ministries and Committees:
    - 5.1.1. Worship and Music Ministry: To provide deep worship services and music ministry. There shall be at least three members, including a deacon or minister.
    - 5.1.2. Mission Ministry: To include: Home visits, Hospital, Prison, Video and Tape, CD, DVD, Magazine, Radio and TV. To reach out and preach the Gospel. There shall be at least three members, including a deacon and or minister.
    - 5.1.3. Membership Ministry: To handle membership of this church. There shall be at least three members, including a deacon.
    - 5.1.4. Administration Ministry: To handle administrative affairs of this church. There shall be at least three members, including a deacon and church clerk.
  - 5.2. Special Committees: Will be as follows: Courtesy (Hospitality) Committee, Pastor Aide Committee, Building Fund Committee and Food Committee. There shall be at least three members, including a deacon. Pastor can, based on needs set up committees to handle other events.
6. Board of Trustees: A board to represent church in legal matters. The board members are elected or re-elected from ministers and deacons annually by Pastor and members.
  - 6.1. Board of Trustees shall have a President, elected by Board of Trustees members.
  - 6.2. Board of Trustees upon the approval of the Pastor has the authority to manage accounts in various financial institutions, including open or close accounts and set up rules of accessing rules of accounts depends on the needs of this church. Treasurer and Co-Treasurers managing accounting of accounts.
  - 6.3. Board of Trustees President shall have right to review all financial accounting materials with Treasurer or Co-Treasurers.
  - 6.4. No contract shall be signed without Board of Trustees written authorization, which shall state clearly the scope and limitation of the authorization.
  - 6.5. Board of Trustees has the right to determine and enforce insurance policy of this church and paid employees.

## **ARTICLE VI – MEETINGS**

### **Provisions Pertaining to Meetings**

1. **Voting Right:** Only active adult members have a voting right in any church meeting unless otherwise stated in each functional area. Voting rights are also subject to membership the Official Staff, other counsels, committees, and any other restrictions provided by the Articles and Bylaws. All members have right to attend church meetings. Inactive members or non-members may make comments or address the meeting participants only with the prior permission from person conducting the meeting. Voting rights within the Official Staff are obtained and lost as prescribed by section 2.1.2.
2. **Exercising the Right to Vote:** A voting right may only be excised in person, voting by proxy or otherwise is not allowed.
3. **Procedure:** Robert's Rules of Order shall be used as a general guideline, however, any annual or special meeting shall be governed by the rules adopted by that body. The Official Staff shall have authority to pass its own general rules of procedure in areas not provided for or already governed by the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws.
4. **Quorum Required:** A quorum is required for any vote at any meeting, unless these Articles or the Bylaws specifically state otherwise. The term quorum shall mean that at least forty percent (40%) of all active, voting members with rights to attend the type of meeting called are present in order to constitute a quorum. For example, a Church business meeting requires at least forty percent (40%) of the active church member, and a Official Staff meeting requires 40% of the Official Staff members with voting rights. Any meeting not having a quorum when it is required cannot make a valid vote.
5. **Majority Required:** unless specifically provided otherwise in these Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws, a simple majority shall decide all questions or issues submitted to a vote. A simple majority, majority, or similar terminology, shall consist of more than fifty percent (50%).
6. **Minutes and Records:** The person conducting any meeting shall maintain or arrange to maintain meeting records and shall submit a copy to the Official Staff or Chairman Deacon within two weeks after the meeting.
7. **Notice, a "Properly Called" Church Meeting:** Unless otherwise provided herein, any church meeting is properly called, meaning proper notice has been provided, when: 1) the planned meeting has been publicly announced during the Church service on two consecutive Sundays and printed in the Sunday bulletin at least one of the two Sundays prior to the meeting, or 2) notice of the meeting has been mailed with proper U.S. postage prepaid to the last known address of the persons with a voting right at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the meeting. Notice given more than two weeks prior to the meeting does not meet the notice requirements for a properly called church meeting. Telephonic notice or email notice may not be used for any church meeting.
8. **Notice, a "Properly Called" Official Staff Meeting:** Unless otherwise provided herein, an Official Staff meeting is properly called, meaning proper notice has been provided, when the planned Official Staff meeting is: 1) publicly announced during the Church service or appears in the Sunday bulletin on one Sunday prior to the meeting or 2) the Official Staff members are given Telephonic notice or e-mail notice five days prior to the meeting, using the last known home telephone number at reasonable hours or the last known email address of the member.

9. Telephonic Meetings: The Official Staff may hold meetings by telephone so long as all the Official Staff members that wish to participate can hear each other, but other rules of notice, quorum and majority still apply.
10. Informal Meetings: The Church members or Official Staff may call an informal meeting to discuss or have fellowship, but no items of church business may be called to a vote.
11. Scheduled Regular Church Business Meetings: The congregation as a whole shall have at least one scheduled business meeting or (Conference) annually. Regular Church Business Meetings will be held during the 4<sup>th</sup> week of Month on a date set by the Official Staff.
12. Special Church Business Meetings may be called at any time by Pastor, BoD, Official Staff, or a written request by ten or more active members presented to the Official Staff.
13. Other organization meetings: Each sub-organization of this church, such as committees, can hold and call meetings to conduct church business. The chairman or delegates of such organizations shall call and conduct meetings. The organization may adapt its own reasonable rules of procedure.

### Miscellaneous

1. The fiscal year shall begin on January 1<sup>st</sup> and end the following December 31.
2. The Official Staff has the right to interpret this document; however, the majority quorum has the final authority for interpretation of this document in a properly called Church Business Meeting or a Special Business Meeting.
3. In the event of church splits, the name and property completely belong to the members who agree and follow the faith statement and this document. The First Macedonia Missionary Baptist Association, Inc. has the right to determine which side agree and follow the faith statement and this document.
4. In the event this church ceases to exist, the property shall be used for future church planting ministries.
5. This document can be revised by the procedures follows:
  - 5.1. Five active members request in writing to the Official Staff.
  - 5.2. The Official Staff has considered prayerfully. A two-third-majority in an Official Staff to initiate the revision of this document.
  - 5.3. A proposal of revision shall be submitted to Official Staff. Then, Official Staff shall announce the date and time of the meeting and the agenda verbally two consecutive Sundays at the Service and print such information in at least one Sunday Services Bulletins. Congregation shall have one month to consider the proposal of revision.
  - 5.4. The revision of this document shall be approved by two-third majority in a properly called Church Business Meeting.
  - 5.5. The Official Staff shall approve the revision of the Statement of Faith in the document before taking effect.

## **ARTICLE VII** **DIRECTORS AND TRUSTEES**

Section 7.1. The affairs of the organization shall be governed by a Board of Directors and or Trustees (hereinafter referred to as the "Board"), subject to the restriction that, except as specifically set forth to the contrary in the Bylaws and Church Constitution, the exercise

of any powers or actions of the Board shall require the approval thereof by a majority vote of the Board present at a meeting at which a quorum of no less than (3) Directors are present. The affirmative vote of at (3) Directors shall be necessary for all corporate action requiring a vote of the Board.

Section 7.2. The Initial Board of Directors and Trustees shall consist of the following members elected in accordance with this Section 7.2 and the Bylaws:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
<u>Gary B. McCleod, Founder &amp; Pastor</u>	<u>2420 NW 6 Street</u> <u>Pompano Beach, Fl. 33069</u>
<u>Karen Watkins, Clerk</u>	<u>210 NW 20<sup>th</sup> Street</u> <u>Pompano Beach, Fl 33060</u>
<u>Isaac Watkins, Chairman Director</u>	<u>210 NW 20<sup>th</sup> Street</u> <u>Pompano Beach, Fl 33060</u>
<u>Loretta Bryant, Secretary</u>	<u>2649 NW 6<sup>th</sup> Court</u> <u>Pompano Beach, Fl 33069</u>
<u>Kenneth Bynum, Director</u>	<u>2413 NW 6<sup>th</sup> Street</u> <u>Pompano Beach, Fl 33069</u>
<u>Rufus McCleod, Director</u>	<u>2420 NW 6 St, Pompano Beach, Fl 33069</u>

Section 7.3. The term of office of an elected Director shall be one (1) year and shall expire, regardless of whether or not a successor shall have been duly elected and qualified. The terms of elected Directors shall be staggered so that no elected Director's term expires less than four (4) months before the expiration of the next elected Director

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### **ADDRESS**

Section 8.1. The street address of the principal office of this corporation in the State of Florida is

2420 NW 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
Pompano Beach, Fl 33069

The Board may, from time to time, move its principal office In the State of Florida to another place in this state.

**ARTICLE IX**  
**REGISTERED AGENT AND REGISTERED OFFICE**

Section 9.1. The registered agent and registered office of the Corporation shall be:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
<u>Karen Watkins</u>	<u>210 NW 20<sup>th</sup> Street</u>
	<u>Pompano Beach, FL 33060</u>

**ARTICLE X**  
**AMENDMENT**

Section 10.1 These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner and with the vote provided by law.

**ARTICLE XI**  
**BYLAWS**

Section 11.1 The Board of Directors of this Corporation shall adopt Bylaws for the government of the Corporation which shall be subordinate only to the Articles of Incorporation and the laws of the United States and the State of Florida. The bylaws may be amended from time to time by the Board of Directors and Official Staff.

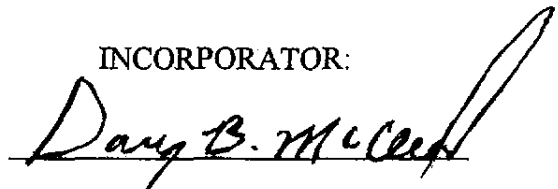
**ARTICLE XII**  
**INCORPORATOR**

Section 12.1 The name and address of the incorporator of this Corporation are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
<u>Gary B. McCleod</u>	<u>2420 NW 6<sup>th</sup> Street</u>
	<u>Pompano Beach, FL 33069</u>

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of incorporation this 18 th day of February, 2003

INCORPORATOR:





**CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR  
DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS  
STATE,  
NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED**

In pursuance of Section 48.091 and Section 607.0501(3), Florida Statutes,  
the following is submitted in compliance With said  
Sections:

Mount Sinai Missionary Baptist Church of Deliverance., desiring to organize  
under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office as  
indicated in the Certificate of Incorporation, at the City of Pompano  
Beach, County of Broward, State of Florida, has named

Karen Watkins, located at Pompano Beach

County of Broward, State of Florida, as its agent to accept service of  
process within this State.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT:**

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-  
named corporation, at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby  
accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of  
said Sections relating to keeping open Said office.

Date: February 18, 2003

REGISTERED AGENT.

Karen Watkins

SECRETARY OF STATE  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

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