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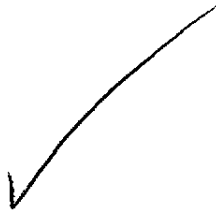
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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
P. O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: HOUSE OF GOD OUTREACH CHURCH, 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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Filing Fee &  
Certificate of  
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ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Patrick E. Sutton, Senior Pastor  
Name (Printed or typed)

P.O. Box 10327  
Address

St. Pete, FL 33733-0327  
City, State & Zip

727-434-0404  
Daytime Telephone number

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

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF RELIGIOUS CORPORATION

HOUSE OF GOD OUTREACH CHURCH, *Inc.*  
(Florida Non-Profit Corporation)

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THE UNDERSIGNED, each with the capacity to contract, hereby executes and acknowledges these Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Florida.

THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY ADOPTS THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION.

**ARTICLE 1. NAME AND ADDRESS**

The name of this corporation shall be HOUSE OF GOD OUTREACH CHURCH, INC.

The physical address of this corporation is 5671 70<sup>th</sup> Ave. No., Pinellas Park, FL 33781.

**ARTICLE 2. PURPOSE**

The specific purpose for which the corporation is initially organized is to make a difference in the community and help those that are less fortunate by showing the love of God and spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ in our local community, surrounding cities and where so ever God may lead us – (Luke 4:18 The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, KJV), and to also engage in activities which are necessary, suitable or convenient for the accomplishment of that purpose, or which are incidental thereto or connected therewith which are consistent with Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. This corporation is organized and operated exclusively for religious purposes with the meaning of Section 501(c)(3), Internal Revenue Code.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this corporation will not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by (a) a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law, or (b) a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or any other corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law. The purposes for which this corporation is organized are exclusively charitable, scientific, literary and educational 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.

### **ARTICLE 3. QUALIFICATION OF MEMBERS AND MANNER OF ADMISSION**

The members of the corporation shall consist of any adult accepted by the Board of Directors expressing a desire to help further the purposes for which the corporation was organized, and who displays a willingness to regularly contribute time and service in this regard. A mature person who, of noble character and good reputation within the community, is willing to contribute time and money for this purpose may, upon request, be admitted to membership by vote of a majority of the Board of Directors.

Each member shall be entitled to at least one vote as a member of the corporation. The exact number of votes to be cast by the members and the manner of exercising voting rights shall be determined by the Bylaws of the corporation.

### **ARTICLE 4. TERM**

The date of commencement of corporate existence shall be when these Articles have been filed with the Department of State and approved by it and the respective filing fee has been paid; the term for which the corporation is to exist shall be perpetual. This corporation is organized and operated exclusively for religious purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3), Internal Revenue Code. In the event of dissolution of the corporation, no part of the corporation's earnings or assets shall inure to the benefit of any of its members; the residual assets of the corporation shall be distributed to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in Sections 501(c)(3) and 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provisions of any future law, or to the federal, state or local government for exclusive public purpose.

### **ARTICLE 5. NON PROFIT ORGANIZATION**

No part of the net earning of the corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, officers, 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 2. 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 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 of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law or: (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue laws.

### **ARTICLE 6. INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT**

The name of the Initial agent of the corporation is Patrick E. Sutton, Senior Pastor, and the street address of the Initial Registered Office of this corporation is 4340 14<sup>th</sup> Ave. So, St. Petersburg, FL 33711

#### **ARTICLE 7. INCORPORATORS**

The names and residence addresses of the subscribers to these Articles are as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Melissa M. Sutton	4340 14 <sup>th</sup> Ave. So. St. Petersburg, FL 33711

#### **ARTICLE 8. OFFICERS**

The officers whose positions and duties are set forth in the Bylaws will manage the affairs of this corporation. The Board of Directors shall elect the officers at its first meeting. If a vacancy occurs in any office it shall be filled by the Board of Directors. The names of the officers who are to serve until the first such election are as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>OFFICE</u>
Patrick E. Sutton, Senior Pastor	President/Treasurer
Melissa M. Sutton, Co Pastor	Exec. Vice President/Secretary

#### **ARTICLE 9. DIRECTORS**

The Board of Directors of the corporation shall consist of no less than three (3) directors as determined by the Bylaws. Directors shall be elected at the annual meeting of the members in the manner set forth in the Bylaws.

The Directors named in these Articles shall serve as Directors for the ensuing year, or until the first annual meeting of the corporation, and any vacancies before then shall be filled in the manner set forth in the Bylaws.

The Board of Directors shall have the authority to make provision for reasonable compensation to its member for their services as Directors and to fix the basis and conditions upon which this compensation shall be paid. Any Director may also serve the corporation in any other capacity and receive compensation therefrom in any form.

The names and addresses of the first Board of Directors are as follow:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Patrick E. Sutton, Senior Pastor	4340 14 <sup>th</sup> Ave. So., St. Pete, FL 33711
Melissa M. Sutton, Co Pastor	4340 14 <sup>th</sup> Ave. So., St. Pete, FL 33711
Billie D. Black, Deacon	12130 74 <sup>th</sup> Street North, Largo, FL 33773

#### **ARTICLE 10. BYLAWS**

The first Bylaws of the corporation shall be adopted by the Board of Directors and may be amended, altered or rescinded by the Board of Directors in the manner provided by such Bylaws.

**ARTICLE 11. AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

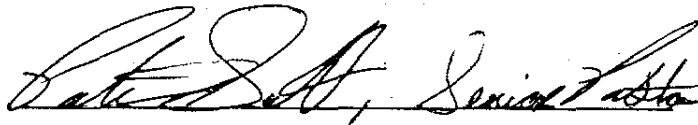
These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by statute or in the following manner:

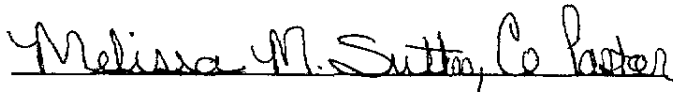
Every amendment shall be approved by the Board of Directors, proposed by them to the members and approved at a membership meeting for which due notice of the proposed amendment was given, by affirmative vote of a quorum of the members present.

Provided, however, that no amendment shall make any changes in the qualifications for membership nor voting rights of members without approval in writing by all members.

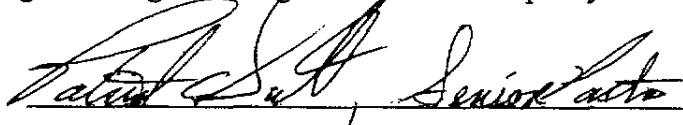
WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, for the purposes of becoming a corporation not for profit under the provisions of the laws of Florida, do make and affix our signatures to acknowledge and file in the office of the Secretary of State these Articles of Incorporation.

WITNESS our respective hands and seals on the dates and places indicated below.

  
Robert D. A. Senior

  
Melissa M. Sutton, Co Partner

Having been named as Registered Agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as Registered Agent and agree to act in this capacity.

  
Robert D. A. Senior

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