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June 18, 2003

Division of Corporations Florida Department of State Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

RE: BETHEL EVANGELICAL MISSION, INC. A Florida Not For Profit Corporation

To Whom It May Concern:

Please file the enclosed Articles of Incorporation of the proposed corporation named above. Please also provide me a certified copy of the filed articles. To defray the fees related to filing, the registered agent designation and the certified copy, I have enclosed a check (#164) in the amount of \$78,75.

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Sincerely,

LANCE K. STALNAKER

Enclosures (2)

LKS/s

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF BETHEL EVANGELICAL MISSION, INC. A FLORIDA NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION

THE UNDERSIGNED, acting as incorporators of a corporation pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

ARTICLE I (Name)

The name of the corporation shall be BETHEL EVANGELICAL MISSION, INC.

ARTICLE II (Principal Office)

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be 10401 North Florida Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33612.

ARTICLE III (Purpose)

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is to serve its members, to spread the Kingdom of God by the preaching of the Word of God, by the administration of the Sacraments and by the Christian religious instruction of youth and adults, and to foster Christian fellowship and charity.

ARTICLE IV (Manner of Election of Directors)

The directors of the corporation shall be elected by the members of the corporation in accordance with the bylaws of the corporation.

ARTICLE V (Initial Directors)

The initial directors of the corporation shall be MARTHA HABTEMARIAM, whose address is 3701 Postwood Court, Apartment #103, Tampa, Florida 33614, FELEKE T. WOLDEYOHANNES, whose address is 3215 West Swann, Apartment 9, Tampa, Florida 33609 and MULUGETA T. WORKU, SR., whose address is 1605 East Maple Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33604.

ARTICLE VI (Basis Under Which Corporation Organized)

This corporation is organized under a non-stock basis. The corporation is a not for profit corporation as defined by the Not For Profit Corporation Act in Section 617.01401 of the Florida Statutes. As such, it is not organized for the pecuniary gain or profit of, and its net earnings nor any part thereof is distributable to, its members, directors, officers or other private persons except as specifically permitted under the provisions of the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act.

ARTICLE VII (Management of Corporate Affairs)

- A. <u>Board of Directors</u> The powers of the corporation shall be exercised, its properties controlled and its affairs conducted by a board of three directors. The number of directors provided for in these articles of incorporation may be changed by a bylaw adopted by the members entitled to vote.
- B. <u>Election of Directors</u> The method of electing directors shall be as set forth in the bylaws.
- C. Elective Officers The officers of the corporation shall be a president, a vice-president, a secretary and a treasurer. Other offices and officers may be established or appointed by the members of the corporation at any regular annual meeting or any special meeting of members called for such purpose. The qualifications, the time and manner of electing or appointing, the duties of, the terms of office and the manner of removing officers shall be as set forth in the bylaws.
- D. <u>Committees</u> The board of directors may appoint committees from time to time. Furthermore, committees, and the powers and duties of said committees, may be specified in the bylaws.

ARTICLE VIII
(Initial Registered Agent)

The initial registered agent of the corporation is MARTHA HABTEMARIAM whose Florida street address is 3701 Postwood Court, Apartment #103, Tampa, FL 33614.

ARTICLE IX (Incorporators)

The names and addresses of the incorporators of the corporation are MARTHA HABTEMARIAM, whose address is 3701 Postwood Court, Apartment #103, Tampa, Florida 33614, FELEKE T. WOLDEYOHANNES, whose address is 3215 West Swann, Apartment 9, Tampa, Florida 33609, and MULUGETA T. WORKU, SR., whose address is 1605 East Maple Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33604.

ARTICLE X (Income From Public Events)

If the corporation holds any events in which members of the general public are invited to participate for a fee, the net proceeds, if any, attributable to such participation by nonmembers will be paid over to an organization that is exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 on an annual basis, unless the corporation itself is a tax exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

ARTICLE XI (Bylaws)

Bylaws will be hereafter adopted at the first meeting of the board of directors. Such bylaws may be amended, repealed, in whole or in part, by the members of the corporation in the manner provided in the bylaws. Any amendments to the bylaws shall be binding on all members of the corporation.

ARTICLE XII (Amendment of Articles)

Amendments to these articles of incorporation may be proposed by a resolution adopted by the board of directors and presented to a quorum of the voting members for their vote. Amendments may be adopted by a vote of two-thirds of a quorum of the voting members of the corporation.

ARTICLE XIII
(Distribution on Dissolution)

In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the corporation will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in Sections 501(c)(3) or 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding sections of such code as subsequently amended, or to the federal, state or local government to be used exclusively for public purposes.

ARTICLE XIV (Effective Date)

These articles of incorporation shall be effective at noon on the date these articles are filed with the Department of State of the State of Florida.

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.

MARTHA HABTEMARIAM Registered Agent

INCORPORATORS:

MARTHA HABTEMARIAM

Incorporator

FELEKE T. WOLDEYOHANNES.

Incorporator

Incorporator