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June 24, 2003

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RE: Filing of Corporate Documents- Whisper Mountain Ministries, Inc.

Enclosed please find the Articles of Incorporation for the non-profit corporation named above along with a check in the amount of \$78.75. Please file the original articles and date stamp the copy that is enclosed and return it back to me.

If you have any questions or any further action is required on my part, please contact me at 239-

332-4717.

Sincerely

Richard W. Pringle

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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

**OF** 

# WHISPER MOUNTAIN MINISTRIES, INC.

#### A NONPROFIT CORPORATION

We, the undersigned, with other persons being desirous of forming a nonprofit corporation, under the provisions of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, do agree to the following:

### ARTICLE I.

# NAME AND ADDRESS

The name of the corporation shall be:

#### WHISPER MOUNTAIN MINISTRIES, INC.

The address of the principal office of this corporation shall be 2136 Treehaven Circle, Fort Myers, Florida, 33907, and the mailing address of the corporation shall be the same.

#### ARTICLE II.

# **PURPOSE**

Said corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, education, literary and scientific 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, and, within said limitations, to do any and all things permitted by law to be done by a corporation not-for-profit under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes. Within the above stated limitations, but in no way limiting the general powers of the corporation afforded by Florida law, this corporation is organized and shall be operated primarily to provide a refuge removed from the routines of life for

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individuals who can be exposed to God's love and gift of creation. They will be allowed to experience the quiet whisper of the Holy Spirit and be enriched spiritually, mentally and physically. In particular, within the authority described above and in no way limiting any general legal powers of the corporation prescribed by law, the corporation: may acquire and receive property of every kind by any legal means whether by purchase, conveyance, lease, gift, grant, bequest, legacy, devise or otherwise, and whether in trust or otherwise; may own, hold, manage, expend, and make gifts, grants, and contributions of, and convey, transfer, and dispose of any property and the income thereof to further any of the purposes of this corporation; and may lease, mortgage, and encumber any such property.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation will not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization 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.

#### ARTICLE III.

#### **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

The manner in which the directors are to be elected or appointed will be as stated in the bylaws.

#### ARTICLE IV.

#### INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator of these Articles of Incorporation is:

Martin Paul 2136 Treehaven Circle Fort Myers, Fl 33907

# ARTICLE V.

# **DURATION**

This corporation is to exist perpetually.

# ARTICLE VI.

# **DIRECTORS**

All corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and the business affairs of the corporation shall be managed under the direction of, its Board of Directors, subject to any limitation set forth in these Articles of Incorporation. This corporation shall have eight members of the Board of Directors initially. The names and addresses of the initial members of the Board of Directors are:

Martin Paul	2136 Treehaven Circle
Director	Fort Myers, Fl 33907

Steve Chesnut	6701 Idlewild Street
Director/Board Vice Chairman	Fort Myers, Fl 33912

Jason Dellinger	2222 Ashley Road
Director	Charlotte, NC 28208

Charles Eland	5428 Harbour Castle Drive
Director	Fort Myers, FI 33907

Travis Joliff	9148 Caloosa Road
Director/Board Chairman	Fort Myers, Fl 33912

David Kreller	515 SE 18" Ave
Director/Board Secretary	Cape Coral, Fl 33990

Mitchell Lee	15606 Light Blue Circle
Director	Fort Myers, Fl 33907

Kevin McMichael	6862 Magnolia Lane
Director	Fort Myers, Fl 33912

# ARTICLE VII.

#### **OFFICERS**

The name and addresses of the initial officers of the corporation who shall hold office for the first year of the corporation, or until their successors are elected or appointed are:

Martin Paul President 2136 Treehaven Circle Fort Myers, FI 33907

Nicholas Paul Vice President

2136 Treehaven Circle Fort Myers, Fl 33907

Cassaundra Werner Secretary/Treasurer

2006 Coatsdale Lane Matthews, NC 28104

# ARTICLE VIII.

# REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation shall be 13720-1 Ben C Pratt/Six Mile Cypress Pkwy, Fort Myers, Fl 33912, and the name of the initial registered agent of the corporation at that address is Charles Eland.

#### ARTICLE IX.

#### PROHIBITION AGAINST CERTAIN ACTIVITES

No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, directors, trustees, officers or other private persons, except that the organization 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 the purpose clause hereof and otherwise allowed by law. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization 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 organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on: (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization the contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

# ARTICLE X.

#### DISSOLUTION

This corporation may be dissolved in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. In the event of dissolution, all liabilities and obligations of this corporation and all costs and expenses incurred by this corporation in connection with it's dissolution shall be paid and the residual assets of the organization will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in Sections 501(c)(3) and 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding sections of any prior or future Internal Revenue Code, or to the Federal, State, or local government for exclusively public purposes, all in such proportions as shall be determined: (a) by the Board of Directors of this corporation if the dissolution of this corporation is not required by the laws of the State of Florida to be conducted under court supervision, or (b) by a court of competent jurisdiction if the dissolution is required by the laws of the State of Florida to be conducted under court supervision. Notwithstanding anything apparently or expressly to the contrary contained in this article, if any assets are then held by this corporation in trust or upon condition or subject to any executory or special limitations, and if the conditional limitation occurs by reason of the dissolution of this corporation,

such assets shall revert, or be returned, transferred, or conveyed in accordance with the terms and provisions of such trust, conditions, or limitations, provided that such assets shall not be distributed to the corporation's members, directors or officers.

Dated this 13 of Jane 2003.

Martin Paul, Incorporator

# ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT DESIGNATED IN ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Charles Eland, an individual residing in the State of Florida, having been designated as the Registered Agent in the above and foregoing Articles, is familiar with and accepts the obligations of the position of Registered Agent under Section 607.0505, Florida Statutes.

By:

Charles Eland, Registered Agent