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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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

**SUBJECT:** FIRST NEW ZION MISSIONARY BAPTIST 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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**FROM:** Dr. James B. Sampson  
Name (Printed or typed)

4835 Soutel Dr.  
Address

Jacksonville, Florida 32208  
City, State & Zip

(904) 765-3111  
Daytime Telephone number

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

## ARTICLE OF INCORPORATION

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The undersigned incorporation, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Florida  
Not for Profit Corporation Act, hereby adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation;

SECRETARY OF STATE  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

### ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this corporation shall be FIRST NEW ZION MISSIONARY BAPTIST  
CHURCH, INC.

### ARTICLE II PRINCIPLE OFFICE

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be located in  
Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida. The present mailing address is 4835 Soutel Dr.  
Jacksonville, Florida 32208

### ARTICLE III PURPOSE(S)

The corporation shall have for its object and purpose: the preaching and teaching  
of the gospel of Jesus Christ, and to make disciples out of men and women; to evangelize  
the community and to spread the gospel of the kingdom to all man-kind; to feed the  
hungry, cloth the naked, care for the sick, widow and orphans (Matthew 28:19-20). We  
seek the improvement of the welfare and conduct of our community; the regulation and  
adjustment of matters pertaining to and affecting our community; the promotion of  
efficiency in community services in Jacksonville, and Adjacent Counties; the promotion  
of confidence, cooperation, harmony, friendship and social relations among the members,

as well as the general public and all public officials. To engage in activity or business permitted under the Laws of the United States and the State of Florida.

To manufacture, purchase, or otherwise acquire, and to own, mortgage, pledge, sell, assign, transfer or otherwise dispose of, and to invest in, trade in, deal in and with goods, wares, merchandise, real and personal property, and services of every class, kind and description; except that it is not to conduct a banking, safe deposit, trust, insurance, surety, express, railroad, canal, telegraph, telephone or cemetery company, a building and loan association, mutual fire insurance association, cooperative association, fraternal benefit society, state fair or exposition.

To conduct business in, have one or more offices in and buy, hold, mortgage, sell, convey, lease, or otherwise dispose of real and personal property, including franchises, patents, copyrights, or other instruments to secure the payment of corporate indebtedness as required;

To purchase the corporate assets of any other corporation and engage in the same or other character of business;

To endorse, purchase, hold, sell, transfer, mortgage, pledge or otherwise acquire or dispose of the shares of the capital stock of, or any bonds, securities, or other evidences of indebtedness created by any other corporation of the State of Florida or any other State or government, and while owner of such stock to exercise all rights, powers and privileges of ownership, including the right to vote such stock;

To become guarantor or surety for any other person, firm or corporation for any purpose of transaction whatsoever;

To make gifts of its property or cash, either to charitable organizations or otherwise, when deemed in the interest of the corporation;

To adopt such pension, profit sharing, stock option and deferred compensation plans for officers, employees and directors, and to grant such stock options to officers employees and directors and others as the Board of Directors may deem to be in the interest of the corporation;

To have and exercise all of the powers now or hereafter conferred upon corporation by the statutes and Laws of the State of Florida.

All of the foregoing in this article shall be construed as both objects and powers. The enumeration of specific powers and purposes is not intended to restrict or limit in any way the powers or purposes of this corporation.

#### **ARTICLE IV    MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

The business of this corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors of seven (7) persons as follows.

President, Vice President, Treasure, Recording Secretary, and three (3) members

All Board of Directors Members shall be elected by secret ballot during the month of September of each election year and shall hold office for two (2) years. They shall be installed as members of the Board of Directors during the last meeting of the election year of this corporation.

#### **ARTICLE V**

The Pastor of the Church shall serve as President and Chairman of the Board.

#### **ARTICLE VI INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS**

The name and Florida Street address of the initial registered agent is:

Dr. James B. Sampson  
4835 Soutel Drive  
Jacksonville, Florida 32208

#### **ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR**

The name and address of the Incorporation to these Articles of Incorporation are:

Dr. James B. Sampson  
4835 Soutel Drive  
Jacksonville, Florida 32208

Dr. James B. Sampson 7-9-2003  
Signature/Incorporator Date

(An additional article must be added if an effective date is requested.)

*Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I, further agree to comply with the provision of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position a registered agent.*

Dr. James B. Sampson 7-9-2003  
Signature/Registered Agent Date

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

*Dr. James B. Sampson, President*

*Donald Rogers, Vice President*

*Cynell McQueen, Treasurer*

*Samuel Bennefield*

*Samuel Hamilton*

*Kathy Wilbert*

*Sharon Riely*

*Willie Henry*

*Johnnie Wilcox*

*Lee Young*

*Debra Edwards*

*Tommy Mitchell*

*Hallie Bye Williams*

*JAMES J. Sampson*

*ANNETTE LATOUR*