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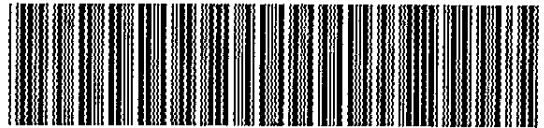
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Secretary of State  
Registration Section  
Division of Corporation  
409 East Gaines Street  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Re: FREEDOM IN CHRIST MINISTRIES, INC.


Gentlemen:

I am enclosing herewith the original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation, together with the Certificate of Designation of Registered Agent/Registered Office Form for the above limited liability corporation..

Also enclosed is my check in the amount of \$87.50 to cover filing fees, certified copy and certificate.

Please forward all documents to this office at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

  
Michael A. Johnson

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Enclosure

## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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

**SUBJECT:** FREEDOM IN CHRIST MINISTRIES, INC.  
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for :

☐ \$70.00  
Filing Fee

☐ \$78.75  
Filing Fee &  
Certificate of  
Status

☐ \$78.75  
Filing Fee  
& Certified Copy

☒ \$87.50  
Filing Fee,  
Certified Copy  
& Certificate

**ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED**

**FROM:** Michael A. Johnson, Attorney at Law  
Name (Printed or typed)

P.O. Box 1397  
Address

Lakeland, FL 33802-1397  
City, State & Zip

(863) 688-0741  
Daytime Telephone number

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

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF**

**FREEDOM IN CHRIST CHURCH MINISTRIES, INC.**

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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

WE, the undersigned, do hereby make, subscribe, acknowledge, and file with the Secretary of State of the State of Florida, these Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, as amended from time to time by the legislature of the State of Florida.

**ARTICLE I  
NAME**

The name of this corporation shall be , **FREEDOM IN CHRIST CHURCH MINISTRIES, INC.**, and its principal place of business shall be in the City of Lakeland, County of Polk, State of Florida, but it shall have the power and authority to establish branch offices at such place or places as may be designated by the Board of Directors.

**ARTICLE II  
DURATION**

The term of existence of the corporation is perpetual unless dissolved in a manner provided by law; and the corporate existence will commence on the filing of these Articles by the Department of State.

**ARTICLE III  
PURPOSE**

**FREEDOM IN CHRIST CHURCH MINISTRIES, INC.**

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is to establish a church.

Nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed as authorizing or permitting, or purporting to authorize or permit the corporation to carry on any business, exercise any power, or do any act which a corporation may not, under the laws of the State of Florida, lawfully carry on, exercise, or do.

**ARTICLE IV**  
**CORPORATE POWERS**

All corporate powers shall not be limited.

**ARTICLE V**  
**DIRECTORS**

The number of Directors of the corporation shall be not less than three (3) nor more than five (5), and shall be elected according to the provisions in the by-laws.

**ARTICLE VI**  
**INITIAL DIRECTORS**

The names and addresses of each of the Directors, subject to the By-Laws, who shall hold office until their successors are elected and have qualified, are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Napoleon Spencer	1218 Buena Dr. Lakeland, FL 33805
Robert Good	5818 Buckrun Dr. Lakeland, FL 33801
Larry Mitchell	4320 Old Colony Rd. Mulberry, FL 33860
Ralph Sharp	635 Candyce Ave. Lakeland, FL 33805
Horace King	1411 W. 9 <sup>th</sup> St. Lakeland, FL 33815

**ARTICLE VII**  
**INDEMNIFICATION**

Every director and every officer of the corporation shall be indemnified by the corporation against all expenses and liabilities, including counsel fees, reasonably incurred by or imposed upon him/her in connection with any proceeding or settlement of any proceeding to which he or she may be a party or in which he or she may become involved by reason of his/her being or having been a director or officer at the time such expenses are incurred, except when the directors or officers are adjudged guilty of willful misfeasance or malfeasance in the performance of his/her duties; provided that in the event of a settlement, the indemnification shall apply only when the Board of Directors approves such settlement and reimbursement as being for the best interest of the corporation. The foregoing right of indemnification shall be in addition to and not exclusive of all other rights to which such directors or officers may be entitled.

**ARTICLE VIII**  
**PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS**

The principal office of this corporation shall be located in the City of Lakeland, County of Polk, State of Florida, and the mailing address of said principal office of the corporation shall be P.O. Box 923, Lakeland, Florida 33802.

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

The street address of the initial registered office is Post Office Box 1397, 225 North Florida Avenue, Lakeland, Florida 33802-1397 and the name of the initial registered agent at that office is Michael A. Johnson.

**ARTICLE X**  
**INCORPORATORS**

The name and post office address of the person signing these Articles of Incorporation is:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Jesse McNeal, Jr.	1415 N. Carver Avenue Lakeland, FL 33805

## **ARTICLE XI**

### **OFFICERS**

The officers of the corporation shall be elected at the organizational meeting of the incorporators and directors.

## **ARTICLE XII**

### **CONDUCT OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS**

The corporation shall qualify for and become a corporation qualifying as a 501(c)(3) corporation and all activities and conduct of the corporation shall be consistent therewith.

- A. The organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding sanction of any future federal tax code.
- B. Notwithstanding any of the provision herein, the purposes of this organization are limited to such purposes as are permitted under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- C. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, 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 above. 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.
- D. Upon dissolution, remaining assets of the organization shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c)(3) of the Code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for public purposes.

I, the undersigned, being the original subscriber and incorporator of the foregoing corporation, do hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes the proposed Articles of Incorporation of . **FREEDOM IN CHRIST CHURCH MINISTRIES, INC.**

WITNESS my hand and seal this 7th day of July, 2003.

Jesse McNeal, Jr.  
Jesse McNeal, Jr.

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF POLK

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 7th day of July, 2003, before me personally came Jesse McNeal, Jr., who produced Fla. Driver's License as identification, to me known to be the individual described in and who executed the within and foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and he acknowledged before me that he executed the same for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal at Lakeland, Florida, the day and year last above written.

[Seal]



Michael Alan Johnson  
MY COMMISSION # CC880014 EXPIRES  
November 15, 2003  
BONDED THRU TROY FAIR INSURANCE, INC.

Michael Alan Johnson  
NOTARY PUBLIC



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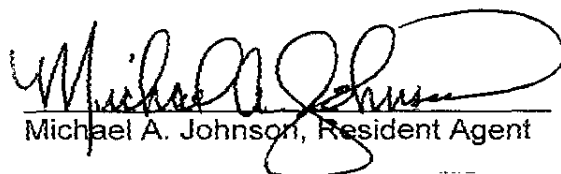
**CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE  
FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE,  
NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED**

In pursuance of Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted, in compliance with said Act:

First -- That **FREEDOM IN CHRIST CHURCH MINISTRIES, INC.**, desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation at City of Lakeland, County of Polk, State of Florida, has named Michael A. Johnson located at Post Office Box 1397, 225 N. Florida Avenue, Lakeland, Florida 33802-1397, as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT:**

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of said Act relative to keeping open said office.

  
Michael A. Johnson, Resident Agent