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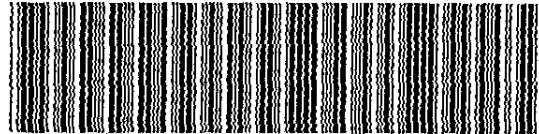
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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

SUBJECT: A Beautiful Celebration 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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ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Ralph E. Byrd
Name (Printed or typed)

30914 Osage Avenue
Address

Leesburg, FL 34748
City, State & Zip

352-728-6777 (home)
Daytime Telephone number

407-889-1625 (work)

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

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
A BEAUTIFUL CELEBRATION CHURCH, INC.
(A Corporation Not For Profit)**

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SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE FLORIDA

We, the undersigned, with other persons being desirous of forming a corporation for charitable and philanthropic purposes, in compliance with Chapter 617, Florida Statutes (Not for Profit), agree to the following:

**ARTICLE I
NAME**

The name of this corporation shall be
A BEAUTIFUL CELEBRATION CHURCH, INC.

**ARTICLE II
PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be 30914 Osage Avenue Leesburg, Florida 34748.

**ARTICLE III
PURPOSE**

The general nature of the objects and purposes of this Corporation shall be to operate and conduct a church for edification and fellowship ministry for Christians who are interested and involved in the propagation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and who share a common love and a desire to practice traditional family values and ethics and who desire to preserve the traditional monogamous institution of marriage between one man and one woman as a core value of American life. Furthermore, this church shall pay particular

concern and attention to the pastoral role of care and nurture of adult Christian singles, who have experienced divorce and whose desire is to meet and marry the right lifetime mate. To that end, all ministers serving in the pastoral role of this church shall be ordained by the board of directors of the church for the purpose of performing marriage ceremonies in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida and By-Laws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE IV ELECTION OF DIRECTORS AND QUALIFICATION OF MEMBERS

SECTION 1. Membership of the corporation shall be extended to applicants who give evidence of his/her faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and who subscribe to the objects and purposes of this Corporation and its Tenants of Faith and By-Laws.

SECTION 2. Voting privileges of members for the purpose of election of directors shall be extended to all members who are twenty-one years of age or older contingent upon regular attendance of church services, contribution of financial support to the church and passing of a course of biblical study designed by the board of directors to qualify the member for ordination as a pastoral minister of the gospel of Jesus Christ as outlined in the By-Laws.

SECTION 3. The election of the board of directors shall be held at the annual business meeting in January each year. Each member shall have one vote, for or against, each nominee for the office of director. Election shall be by secret ballot. The current directors shall serve as supervisors of the annual election of new directors. A simple majority wins an election. If more present vote for the nominee than against the nominee then the nominee is elected. If more present vote against the nominee than for the nominee then the

nominee is not elected. In case of a tie, a coin toss will determine the winner. When the coin is tossed in the air the nominee shall call it heads or tails. After the coin has fallen and settled flat on the floor the supervisors of the election shall note immediately out loud whether the coin has landed heads or tails. If the nominee's call was heads and the coin landed with heads up then the nominee shall be elected. If the nominee called it tails and the coin landed tails up then the nominee shall be elected. If the nominee's call did not land up then he/she shall not be elected.

SECTION 4. Preceding each election a role call shall be made by the secretary to identify members who qualify for voting privileges (as previously described in this article). The current directors shall nominate suitable candidates for the next term of office as a director. Current year directors may place themselves in nomination for re-election; however, after failure to receive a majority vote they shall be disqualified as a candidate and are required to nominate a new candidate for election. Directors may be re-elected as many times as it pleases the membership to do so year after year. Nominations for director shall not be accepted from the general membership. Albeit, qualified members are encouraged to provide suggested names and reasons for those suggested names for consideration by the current board of directors who may or may not nominate any particular person for election at the annual meeting.

SECTION 5. A director shall be a Christian and meet all the qualifications of membership including:

- professes to be a born-again believer accepting by faith alone that Jesus Christ is the only begotten Son of God, that he was born of the Virgin Mary, that he lived a sinless life on earth in the flesh, that he was crucified, buried, and rose from the dead on the third day to live forevermore as King of Kings and Lord of Lords

- serves as an example of Jesus in his/her own life in that he/she is a minister to others, a servant, a comforter, a friend, a laborer, and ultimately a sacrifice for others
- believes the five cardinal doctrines of the church as follows:
 - salvation
 - sanctification
 - baptism in the Holy Spirit
 - divine healing
 - second coming of Jesus Christ
- is respected in the community at large outside of the church as a law abiding citizen and a good neighbor
- exercises discretion in speech and modesty in personal appearance
- is faithful to his/her mate and if has children is a good parent
- is not involved in sexual immorality
- is not a drunkard or abuser of illegal substances
- is not part of a network marketing business that promises easy money for little effort and/or seeks recruitment of church members as a sales force
- is honest, trustworthy and recognized to be a hard worker who supports his/her own self and family

SECTION 6. The board of directors shall elect from among themselves a chairman of the board. The chairman of the board shall preside over all meetings of the board of directors. The chairman shall always vote serving in the role of tie-breaker when the board of directors votes on any issue concerning the church.

SECTION 7. After a period of 90 days without regular attendance and/or donation of financial support of the church a member's name (including that of a director or officer) shall be removed from the role of membership and forfeit all rights and privileges of membership

including voting in an election. In the case of a director or officer losing his/her membership and their position of leadership in the church, the remaining board of directors shall appoint a replacement for their vacated position for the remainder of their term.

SECTION 8. A Director may receive reasonable compensation for his/her actual work and/or expenses incurred performing his/her duties and responsibilities for the Corporation. The hours of work, compensation and reimbursement of expenses shall be at the discretion of the Board of Directors and in accordance with Federal, State and local laws regarding employment and labor.

ARTICLE V INITIAL DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

The names and residences of the initial directors are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>
Ralph E. Byrd	30914 Osage Avenue Leesburg, Florida 34748
Judy O. Byrd	30914 Osage Avenue Leesburg, Florida 34748
Paul B. Byrd	502 Bidwell Street Fruitland Park, Florida 34731

SECTION 1. The initial directors shall serve for the ensuing year or until the first annual meeting of the Corporation.

SECTION 2. The business and financial affairs and decisions of this Corporation shall be managed by the Board of Directors. This Corporation shall have three directors initially. The number of

Directors may be increased from time to time, according to the By-Laws, but shall never be less than three or more than twelve.

SECTION 3. The Board of Directors shall be members of the Corporation.

SECTION 4. The officers of the Corporation shall be appointed by the board of directors at their first meeting after election in January each year. The directors shall appoint a President, Vice President and Treasurer, and Secretary and such other officers as may be provided by the By-Laws.

SECTION 5. The names of the persons who are to serve as initial officers of the Corporation until the first meeting of the Board of Directors are:

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>
President	Ralph E. Byrd
Vice President & Treasurer	Judy O. Byrd
Secretary	Paul B. Byrd

SECTION 6. A current or former member of the board of directors may be appointed to serve as an officer of the corporation. Officers must meet all the qualifications of membership. At any point in time should an Officer fail to meet the qualifications of membership the board of directors shall dismiss that Officer and appoint a new Officer in his/her place.

SECTION 7. The Officers will be primarily responsible for the day to day operation of the Corporation in accordance with general guidelines established by the Directors of the Corporation. The

Officers shall establish and maintain a monthly calendar of events as times and locations for worship services to be held for the benefit of the membership. The calendar of events shall be published in advance and distributed to members on a regular monthly basis.

SECTION 8. An Officer may be dismissed from his/her position as an Officer by a majority vote of the board of directors for a perceived failure of his/her responsibilities as an Officer.

SECTION 9. An Officer may receive reasonable compensation for his/her actual work and/or expenses incurred performing his/her duties and responsibilities for the Corporation. The hours of work, compensation and reimbursement of expenses shall be at the discretion of the Board of Directors and in accordance with Federal, State and local laws regarding employment and labor.

ARTICLE VI

INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The address of the Registered Agent of this Corporation shall be Ralph E. Byrd whose address is 30914 Osage Avenue, in the city of Leesburg, County of Lake, State of Florida, ZIP 34748.

ARTICLE VII

BY-LAWS

SECTION 1. The Board of Directors of this Corporation may provide such By-Laws for the conduct of its business and the carrying out of its purposes as they may deem necessary from time to time.

SECTION 2. Upon proper notice the By-Laws may be amended, altered or rescinded by a majority vote of those members of the

Board of Directors present at any regular meeting or any special meeting called for that purpose.

ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1. These articles of incorporation may be amended at a special meeting of the membership called for that purpose by the Board of Directors by a majority vote of those present.

SECTION 2. Amendments may also be made at regular meetings of the membership upon notice given as provided by the By-Laws of intention to submit such amendments.

ARTICLE IX NON-PROFIT STATUS

SECTION 1. The Corporation shall have neither capital stock nor shareholders. Its affairs shall not be conducted for private pecuniary gain or profit and none of its gain, profit or property shall inure to any donor, member, trustee, director, officer or individual having a personal or private interest in the activities of the Corporation with the exception of reasonable compensation for services actually rendered. The Corporation's entire gain, profit, net earnings and property shall be devoted exclusively to the religious purposes herein set forth.

SECTION 2. The Corporation shall not engage in carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation nor shall it participate in or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

ARTICLE X

TERMS

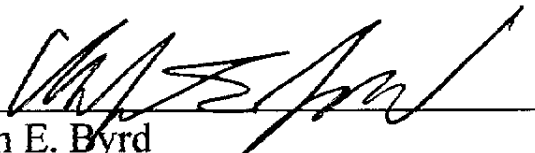
Notwithstanding any other provisions of these articles, this Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by a Corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under any provision of the United States Internal Revenue Law.

ARTICLE XI DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS FROM DISSOLUTION

Upon dissolution of this organization all of its assets remaining after payment of all costs and expenses of such dissolution shall be distributed to organizations which have qualified for exemption under the Internal Revenue Code, or to the Federal, State or local government for a public purpose, and none of the assets will be distributed to any member, officer or trustee of this Corporation except as reasonable compensation for services actually rendered.

ARTICLE XII INCORPORATOR(S)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we the undersigned subscribing incorporators, have hereunto set our hand and seals this 11 day of July, 2003, for the purpose of forming this Corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida.



Ralph E. Byrd
30914 Osage Avenue
Leesburg, Florida 34748

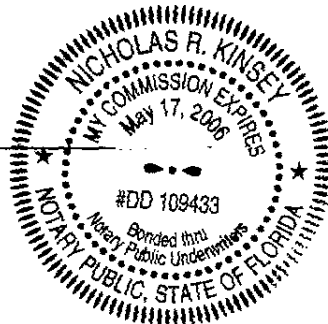
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Fruitland Park, Florida 34731

**STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF LAKE**


Before me, a Notary Public duly authorized in the State and County named above to take acknowledgments, personally appeared Ralph E. Byrd, who produced identification in the form of Florida Drivers License # B630-725-54-257-0, Judy O. Byrd, who produced identification in the form of Florida Drivers License # B630-434-50-825-0 and Paul B. Byrd, who produced identification in the form of Florida Drivers License # B630-682-78-171-0 and they did sign the foregoing Articles of Incorporation on the 11 day of July, 2003.

Nicholas R. Kinsey
Notary Public



**ACCEPTANCE OF DESIGNATION AS REGISTERED
AGENT**

I hereby certify that I am a permanent resident of 30914 Osage Avenue, City of Leesburg, County of Lake, and State of Florida 34748. I hereby accept the designation as Registered Agent for A BEAUTIFUL CELEBRATION CHURCH, INC., said designation having been made in the Articles of Incorporation dated this 11 day of July, 2003.



Ralph E. Byrd

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Before me, a Notary Public duly authorized in the State and County named above to take acknowledgments, personally appeared Ralph E. Byrd, who produced identification in the form of Florida Drivers License # B630-725-54-257-0, and he signed the foregoing Acceptance of Designation as Registered Agent on this 11 day of July, 2003.



Notary Public

