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

Re: International Bible Baptist Church of Homestead, Inc.

#### To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed please find two (2) originals of the Articles of Incorporation of the above-named non-profit corporation.

Please endorse your approval of these Articles of Incorporation on one copy, certify same and return to my office.

Our check in the amount of \$78.75 is enclosed to cover the following costs:

Filing Fee	\$ 35.00
Registered Agent	
Designation	35.00
Certified Copy	_8.75

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Teresa A. Perez

# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION INTERNATIONAL BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH OF HOMESTEAD, INC.

# SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

# ARTICLE I NAME OF CORPORATION

The name of the corporation is:

INTERNATIONAL BIBLE BAPTIST THURCH OF HOMESTEAD, INC.

#### ARTICLE II PURPOSES

The general nature of the objects and purposes of this corporation shall be:

- 1. To promote the worship of God by the preaching of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ at home and abroad, trusting that as a result sinners shall be saved and believers edified.
- 2. To operate and maintain the International Bible Baptist Church of Homestead, and to establish, operate and maintain other churches of like faith wherever the Lord shall lead.
- 3. To establish a Bible Institute for the training of those who feel called to serve the Lord.
- 4. To operate a youth program through weekly, monthly and annual meetings.
- 5. To conduct youth camps and seminars for the purpose of training today's youth in the teachings of Christ.
- 6. To organize and operate a missionary society for the help of those who feel called to preach the gospel outside of this local church.
- 7. To develop and carry out radio, television, internet and other innovative media ministries to propagate the message of Jesus Christ.
- 8. To buy, sell and hold properties or transportation vehicles which will be used to house administrative offices of the association and association personnel.
- 9. To acquire property by grant, gift, purchase, devise or bequest, and hold and dispose of such property as the corporation shall require for the benefit of the members and not for pecuniary profit.

- 10. To take, receive, own, hold, administer, distribute and dispose of property of all kinds, whether real, personal or mixed, acquired by gift, devise, bequest or otherwise, for the advancement, promotion, extension or maintenance of such causes and objects, or any of them; and, in addition to and not in limitation of the foregoing purposes and powers, the corporation may acquire, take, receive, hold, own, administer, distribute and dispose of, gifts or donations or property, real, personal or mixed, designated by the donors for causes or objects hereinabove mentioned, or any or either of them.
- 11. The purposes for which this corporation is formed are purely benevolent, charitable, religious, literary or educational and not for financial gain, and no financial gain shall ever accrue to any member of this corporation, nor any other person or institution in the conduct of same, but any receipts of this corporation in excess of the expenses of operating and maintaining same shall be applied by the directors to carry out the purpose of this corporation or any other non-profit tax-exempt charitable organization, as they, in their judgment may deem wise.
- 12. The foregoing purposes shall be construed as both objects and powers and the foregoing enumeration of specific purposes shall not be held to limit or restrict in any manner the powers of this corporation.

# ARTICLE III QUALIFICATION OF MEMBERS

The membership of this corporation shall consist of the directors of the corporation. The qualification for membership of the church shall be set forth in the bylaws.

#### ARTICLĒ IV TERM OF EXISTENÇE

This corporation shall have perpetual existence.

#### ARTICLĒ V SUBSCRIBĒRS

The names and addresses of the subscribers of these Articles are:

NAMES — ADDRESSES

Jorge Zamora 1304 Red Start Ct., Homestead, FL 33035

Russell Johnson 19511 Cypress Ct., Miami, FL 33015

Charles Potter 10211 Caribbean Blvd., Miami, FL 33189

#### ARTICLE VI OFFIČERS

- 1. The officers of the corporation shall consist of president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer, and such other officers as may be provided in the bylaws.
- 2. The names of the persons who are to serve as officers of the corporation until the first meeting of the Board of Directors are:

Jorge Zamora - President	1304 Red Start Ct., Homestead, FL 33035
Russell Johnson - Vice President	19511 Cypress Ct., Miami, FL 33015
Leonel Cervantes - Secretary	15515 Harrison Dr., Leisure City, FL 33033

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Charles Potter - Treasurer 10211 Caribbean Blvd., Miami, FL 33189

Ruth Zamora – Assistant Secretary 1304 Red Start Ct., Homestead, FL 33035

#### ARTICLES VII BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 1. The business affairs of this corporation shall be managed by the Board of Directors. This corporation shall have five (5) directors initially. The number of directors may be increased from time to time by the bylaws, but shall never be less than three.
- 2. Board of Directors shall be members of the corporation.

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- 3. Members of the Board of Directors shall be elected and hold office in accordance with the bylaws.
- 4. The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as directors for the ensuing year, or until the first annual meeting of the corporation, are:

## NAMES ADDRESSES

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Russell Johnson 19511 Cypress Ct., Miami, FL 33015

Leonel Cervantes 15515 Harrison Dr., Leisure City, FL 33033

Charles Potter 10211 Caribbean Blvd., Miami, FL 33189

Ruth Zamora 1304 Red Start Ct., Homestead, FL 33035

#### ARTICLE VIII BYLAWS

- 1. The Board of Directors of this corporation may provide such bylaws for the conduct of its business and the carrying out of its purposes as they may deem necessary from time to time.
- 2. Upon proper notice, the bylaws may be made, altered, or rescinded upon a majority vote of the directors present at any regularly scheduled meeting of the corporation.

# ARTICLE IX AMENDMENTS

- 1. These Articles of Incorporation may be amended at a special meeting of the membership called for that purpose, by a 2/3<sup>rds</sup> vote of those present.
- 2. Amendments may also be made at regular meetings of the membership upon notice given, as provided in the bylaws, of intention to submit such amendments.

# ARTICLE X REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

The initial post office address of the office of this corporation in the State of Florida is P.O. Box 901571, Homestead, FL 33090. The Registered Agent is CHARLES O. MORGAN, JR., 1300 N.W. 167<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 3, Miami, Florida 33169.

# ARTICLE XI RESTRICTED ACTIVITIES

- 1. No part of the net earnings, gains or assets of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its directors, officers, other private individuals, or organizations organized and operated for a profit (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 as hereinabove stated).
- 2. 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 [or organization] shall be empowered to make the election authorized under §501(h) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. The corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

- 3. Notwithstanding any other provision herein, the corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on:
- (a) by an organization exempt from federal income taxation under §501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as an organization described in §501(c)(3) of such Code, or
- (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under  $\S170(c)(2)$ , 2055(a)(2), or 2522(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
- 4. References herein to sections of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 are to provisions of such Code as those provisions are now enacted or to corresponding provisions of any future United States revenue law.

# ARTICLE XII POWERS

To the end that the forgoing purposes and any other related charitable purposes and objects may be carried out, performed and accomplished, and to obtain funds or income for said charitable purposes, this corporation shall have the power to:

- 1. Acquire, either by gift, grant, purchase, devise or bequest, and to hold, own, manage, sell, grant, convey, mortgage, pledge, or otherwise encumber, lease, improve and dispose of real, personal or mixed property, wheresoever situated; to operate said properties, or any part thereof, or any business it may acquire in any location, in the name of the corporation or in any other manner, and for its benefit and in its behalf, through such persons or agent as it may determine or select from time to time by majority action of the directors; to receive donations, gifts, and endowments, and to administer the same; all such real, personal and mixed property so acquired or received by gift, grant, devise, bequest or donation shall be used and employed, however, for educational, charitable, social and benevolent purposes and not for pecuniary profit of the members.
- 2. Formulate and adopt bylaws and to alter and rescind the same, provided, however, that said bylaws shall be agreeable to, within and not beyond or contrary to the powers herein granted, or to any laws of the United States or State of Florida.
- 3. And in general, to possess and exercise all the rights, privileges, immunities and prerequisites now or hereafter authorized by or under the provisions of the laws of the State of Florida.
- 4. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the powers of this corporation are expressly limited to those of any organization described in Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

# ARTICLE XIII MEETINGS

- 1. The annual meeting for the election of members of the Board of Directors shall be held as may be provided in the bylaws.
- 2. The corporation may provide in its bylaws for the holding of additional regular meetings and any special meetings, and shall provide notice of such meetings.
- 3. The percentage of the members necessary to constitute a quorum for the holding of any meetings shall be determined in the bylaws.

# ARTICLE XIV DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION

- 1. No person, firm or corporation shall ever receive any dividends or profits from the undertaking of this corporation.
- 2. The corporation is organized and operated exclusively for religious, benevolent, charitable, literary, or educational purposes within the meaning of §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
- 3. In the event of dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, the board of directors shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all the lawful debts and liabilities of the corporation, distribute all the assets of the corporation to one or more of the following categories of recipients as the board of directors of the corporation shall determine:
- (a) a nonprofit organization or organization which may have been created to succeed the corporation, as long as such organization or each of such organizations shall then qualify as a governmental unit under §170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or as an organization exempt from federal income taxation under §501(a) of such Code as an organization described in §501(c)(3) of such Code; and / or
- (b) a nonprofit organization or organizations having similar aims and objects as the corporation and which may be selected as an appropriate recipient of such assets, as long as such organization or each of such organizations shall then qualify as a governmental unit under §170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or as an organization exempt from federal income taxation under §501(a) of such Code as an organization described in §501(c)(3) of such Code.

#### ARTICLE XV SELF-DEALING

Any other provision hereof to the contrary notwithstanding:

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- 1. The corporate income for each taxable year must be distributed at such time and in such manner as not to subject the corporation to tax under Internal Revenue Code §4942 as it now exists or as it may hereafter be amended.
- 2. The corporation is prohibited from engaging in any act of self-dealing (as defined in said Internal Revenue Code §4941(d)), from retaining any excess business holdings (as defined in said Internal Revenue Code §4941(c)), from making any investments in such manner as to subject the corporation to tax under said Internal Revenue Code §4944, and from making any taxable expenditures (as defined in said Internal Revenue Code §4945 (d)).

#### ARTICLE XVI DEDICATION OF ASSETS

The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to religious, charitable, literary and educational purposes and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any trustee, officer or member thereof or to the benefit of any private individual, except for reasonable compensation for services actually rendered.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the undersigned, being the incorporators hereinbefore named, for the purpose of forming a corporation to do business both within and without the State of Florida, under the laws of Florida, make and file these Articles of Incorporation, hereby declaring and certifying that the facts herein stated are true, and hereinto set our hands and seals this \_\_\_\_\_ day of July 2003.

Jorge Zamora, Preside

Russell Johnson Vice-President

COUNTY OF Miceria Dade )

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day before me, a Notary Public duly authorized in the State and County above named to take acknowledgments, personally appeared Jorge Zamora and Russell Johnson to me well known to be the persons described in as incorporators and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and acknowledged before me that they subscribed to these Articles of Incorporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and official seals the day and year aforesaid.

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Print Name: Johnson Expires:

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

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

That INTERNATIONAL BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH OF HOMESTEAD, INC., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation at Miami, Florida, has named CHARLES O. MORGAN, JR, located at 1300 Northwest, 167<sup>th</sup> Street, Miami, Florida 33169, of Miami-Dade County, State of Florida, as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT:**

Having been named to accept service of process for the above signed 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. I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as registered agent for said corporation.

Resident Agent