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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FOR LOVE BAPTIST CHURCH THE ARC MOTIVATIONAL RECOVERY PROGRAM, INC.

The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a Not For Profit Corporation under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, Florida Statutes Chapter 617, hereby makes and adopts the following Articles of Incorporation.

#### **ARTICLE I - NAME**

The name of the Corporation shall be: <u>LOVE BAPTIST CHURCH</u> THE ARC MOTIVATIONAL RECOVERY PROGRAM, INC.

#### ARTICLE II - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business and mailing address of the Corporation shall be:

C/O Anthony W. Jerrido 18130 N. W. 49<sup>th</sup> Avenue Miami, Florida 33055

#### **ARTICLE III - PURPOSES**

The purposes for which the Corporation is organizes are:

- Said Corporation 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 of 1986, as amended, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code. More particularly, the purposes of this Corporation are:
  - (a) To spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the worship of God among its members and attendants, and practice the Christian virtues inculcated in the Holy Scriptures.
  - (b) To employ and discharge ordained ministers of the Gospel, and others, to conduct and carry on divine services at the place of worship of the members of the Corporation, and elsewhere, and to collect and disburse any and all necessary funds for the maintenance of said Corporation and the accomplishment of its purposes.
  - (c) To conduct, accomplish and carry on its objectives, functions and purposes or any part thereof set forth in the Constitution, if any, of the Corporation as amended from time to time, within or without the State of Florida.

#### Further and additionally:

- (d) To increase the community's knowledge as to how they can assist addicts in overcoming their addictions.
- (e) To encourage recovery persons to utilize positive support systems to assist them in their recovery efforts.
- (f) To employ, discharge and cooperate with counselors, social workers, clergy, family members of addicts, and workers in human resources field for the furtherance and accomplishment of the purposes of this Corporation.
- 2. This Corporation is also organized to promote, encourage, and foster any other similar religious, charitable and educational activities; to accept, hold, invest, reinvest and administer any gifts, legacies, bequests, devises, funds and property of any sort or nature, and to use, expend, or donate the income or principal thereof for, and to devote the same to, the foregoing purposes of the Corporation; and to do any and all lawful acts and things which may be necessary, useful, suitable, or proper for the furtherance of accomplishment of the purposes of this Corporation. Provided however, no act may be performed which would violate Section 501( c )(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

#### ARTICLE IV - MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed is set forth in the Constitution of the Corporation.

#### ARTICLE V - INITIAL DIRECTORS

The number of Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors shall be three. The number of Directors may be increased or decreased from time to time in accordance with the Constitution but shall never be less than three.

#### ARTICLE VI - MEMBERSHIP

Matters relating to members and membership in the Corporation are set forth in the Constitution of the Corporation.

#### ARTICLE VII - INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The name and Florida street address of the initial Registered Agent of the Corporation are:

Eugene Fitz-Ritson, Esq. Bank of America Building 18350 NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Suite 400 Miami, Florida 33169

#### **ARTICLE VIII - REVENUE**

No part of the earnings, property or assets 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 in the purpose clause hereof. 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. Notwithstanding the aforesaid, the Corporation 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, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

On the dissolution or winding up of this corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of the corporation, shall be distributed to a not for profit fund, foundation, or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for religious, educational and/or charitable purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding section of any future federal tax laws.

#### **ARTICLE IX - INCORPORATOR**

The name and street address of the Incorporator are as follows:
Eugene Fitz-Ritson, Esq.
Bank of America Building
18350 NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Suite 400
Miami, Florida 33169

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has signed these Articles of Incorporation on this /2 h day of September, 2003

Evgene Fitz-Ritson Esa

### CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

Pursuant to the provisions of section 617.0501, Florida Statutes, the Corporation named herein, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered office / registered agent, in the State of Florida:

- 1. The name of the Corporation is: <u>LOVE BAPTIST CHURCH</u>
  THE ARC MOTIVATIONAL RECOVERY PROGRAM, INC.
- The name and address of the registered agent and office are: Eugene Fitz-Ritson, Esq.
   Bank of America Building 18350 NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Suite 400
   Miami, Florida 33169

I, the undersigned person, having been named as Registered Agent and to accept service of process for the above-stated Corporation at the place designated in this statement, hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions 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 as registered agent.

Eugene Fitz-Ritson, Esq. / Date: September \_\_/2\_\_, 2003.

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