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#### TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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

SUBJECT: NORTHWEST TAMPA CHURCH OF GOD, INC.

Enclosed is an original of the Amended Articles of Incorporation and a check for the filing fee.

Northwest Tampa Church of God, Inc. 5131 Gunn Highway Tampa, FL 33624

813-961-7278

January 17, 2020

NORTHWEST TAMPA CHURCH OF GOD, INC. 5131 GUNN HIGHWAY TAMPA, FL 33624

SUBJECT: NORTHWEST TAMPA CHURCH OF GOD, INC.

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We have received your document and check(s) totaling \$35.00. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned to you for the following reason(s):

If there are <u>MEMBERS ENTITLED TO VOTE</u> on a proposed amendment, the document must contain: (1) the date of adoption of the amendment by the members and (2) a statement that the number of votes cast for the amendment was sufficient for approval.

If there are <u>NO MEMBERS OR MEMBERS ENTITLED TO VOTE</u> on a proposed amendment, the document must contain: (1) a statement that there are no members or members entitled to vote on the amendment and (2) the date of adoption of the amendment by the board of directors.

The incorporator(s) cannot be amended or changed. Please correct your document accordingly.

The date of adoption of each amendment must be included in the document.

If the corporation is a **NOT FOR PROFIT** corporation it must be signed by the chairman or vice chairman of the board, president or other officer - if directors have not been selected, by an incorporator - if in the hands of a receiver, trustee, or other court appointed fiduciary, by that fiduciary.

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## AMENDMENT TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF 2000 12 Ph 4: 57 NORTHWEST TAMPA CHURCH OF GOD, INC.

We, the undersigned, hereby associate ourselves together for the purposes of becoming a corporation, not for profit, under Chapter 617, Laws of the State of Florida, providing for the formation, liability, rights, privileges and immunities of a corporation, not for profit.

#### ARTICLE I NAME OF CORPORATION

The name of this corporation shall be NORTHWEST TAMPA CHURCH OF GOD, Inc., and is hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation".

### ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal address of the Corporation:

Northwest Tampa Church of God, Inc. 5131 Gunn Highway Tampa, FL 33624

#### ARTICLE III POWERS

The Corporation shall have all the statutory powers of a corporation, not for profit, and all the powers and duties set forth in the By-laws. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the Florida Statutes, and By-laws, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from Federal Income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

#### ARTICLE IV GENERAL NATURE AND PURPOSE OF BUSINESS

The general nature and purpose of the affairs to be conducted by this Corporation shall be providing a place of worship for its members, who shall be members in good standing of the Church of God, Cleveland, Tennessee, and conducting the affairs of the congregation according to the rules and regulations of the Church of God, Cleveland, Tennessee and specifically the General Assembly Minutes of the Church of God, Cleveland, Tennessee; promoting the cause of Christianity in accord with the teachings, tenants, and custom of the Church of God, Cleveland, Tennessee; receiving, managing, and disbursing gifts, bequests, and other funds for the benefit of the congregation and the Church of God, Cleveland, Tennessee; owning and maintaining suitable buildings and facilities necessary for their acquisition, upkeep, maintenance and sale, all in accord with the General Assembly Minutes of the Church of God, Cleveland, Tennessee.

This Corporation shall also be empowered to further the scientific, educational, civic and charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) and Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and in this connection to solicit, collect, and otherwise raise money for charitable purposes; to expend, contribute, disburse and otherwise handle and dispose of the same for such purposes either directly or by contributions to other agencies, organizations, or institutions organized for the same or similar purposes; to assist in harmonizing and making more efficient the work of charitable organizations in the State of Florida and the Hillsborough County community, by cooperation with and assisting such organizations, and by receiving gifts, will or otherwise, money or other proper means and by distributing it as may be deemed best for the promotion of charity in such communities; and to invest and manage the property of the organization; especially to coordinate the efforts of conservation for needy people; and to do any and all other things necessary in connection with or incidental to any of the foregoing.

#### ARTICLE V MEMBERS

All members in good standing of Northwest Tampa Church of God, Inc., a congregation of the Church of God, Cleveland, Tennessee, shall constitute the membership of this Corporation.

#### ARTICLE VI VOTING RIGHTS

Each member in good standing of Northwest Tampa Church of God, Inc., at the time of a meeting of this Corporation shall be entitled to one vote at a corporate meeting.

#### ARTICLE VII EXISTENCE

This Corporation shall exist perpetually unless dissolved accordingly to law.

#### ARTICLE VIII REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

The registered office of the Corporation shall be at the principal place of business of Northwest Tampa Church of God, Inc. The current serving Pastor of Northwest Tampa Church of God, Inc., shall serve as the President as provided in the General Assembly Minutes of the Church of God, Cleveland, Tennessee and shall be the registered agent of the Corporation until such time as a new Pastor may be elected or named. The first registered office shall be, 5131 Gunn Highway, Tampa, Florida 33624.

## ARTICLE IX BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The business of the Corporation shall be conducted by the Board of Directors, which shall be composed of the Church and Pastor's Council of Northwest Tampa Church of God, Inc. They shall be elected in accordance to the General Assembly Minutes of the Church of God, Cleveland, Tennessee and shall serve in accordance to those rules.

#### ARTICLE X DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

The Pastor of Northwest Tampa Church of God, Inc., shall serve as the first president and director. Other officer and directors may be named in the General Assembly Minutes of the Church of God, Cleveland, Tennessee.

## ARTICLE XI INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS

All members and officers shall be indemnified by the Corporation against all expenses and liabilities including attorney's fees (including appellate proceedings) reasonably incured in connection with any proceedings or settlement thereof in which they may become involved by reason of holding such office in accordance

The Corporation may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of all officers and trustees against any liability asserted against them or incurred by them in their capacity as officers and trustees or arising out of their status as such.

#### ARTICLE XII BY-LAWS

The By-laws of the Corporation shall be in accordance with the General Assembly Minutes of the Church of God, Cleveland, Tennessee and shall be adopted by the Members of the Northwest Tampa Church of God, Inc. These By-laws may be altered, amended, or rescinded in the manner provided by the By-laws in accordance with the General Assembly Minutes of the Church of God, Cleveland, Tennessee. In the event of conflict or inconsistency between these Articles, By-laws or the General Assembly Minutes, the General Assembly Minutes shall control.

#### ARTICLE XIII AMENDMENTS

The Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation by sixty-six percent (66%) majority vote of those present. All voting rights of all members of the Corporation and all rights conferred upon the members herein are granted subject to this reservation.

## ARTICLE XIV REMISSION OF ASSETS

In the event this Corporation shall cease to exist, or depart from the polity of the Church of God, Cleveland, Tennessee, as expressed in the General Assembly Minutes of the Church of God, Cleveland, Tennessee, and otherwise, the assets of the Corporation shall revert to the State Trustees of the Church of God in the State of Florida, or to on or more organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding section of any prior or future law, or to the Federal, State or local government. Further, the proceeds/Assets from the disposition must go directly into real property purchases or improvements.

## ARTICLE XV NOT FOR PROFIT STATUS

No part of the net earning of this Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any individual or member of this Corporation. The President shall ascertain that the requirements for obtaining Federal, State and local tax exemption status are met both in terms of constituting documents and the management of the Corporation.

Not withstanding any other provision of these Articles, this Corporation will not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law nor activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or any other corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Code.

#### ARTICLE XVI INCORPORATORS

The name and address of the first President and subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation shall be Reverend Ernest R. Roberts. R. Roberts.807 Tannery Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33624.

### ARTICLE XVII REGISTERED AGENT ACCEPTANCE

Pursuant to Article VIII, I accept the appointment of Registered Agent for this Corporation.

Reverend Ernest R Roberts, President, Registered

Agent, Incorporator

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, the undersigned subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation, have set my hand and seal this g day of December 2019.

#### STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this  $\underline{\hspace{0.1cm}7\hspace{0.1cm}}$  day of December, 2019 before me, officers duly authorized, personally, appeared: to me well known and known to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and they acknowledged before me that they executed said instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the State and County aforesaid, this the day and year above written.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:

BETTY L. ADAMS
MY COMMISSION # GG 914379
EXPIRES: October 1, 2023
Bonded Thru Notary Public Underwriters

### ARTICLE XVIII VOTING ON AMENDMEND TO THE ARTICLES

There are no member or members entitled to vote on the proposed amendment by the Board of Directors. These Amended Articles of Incorporation are effective December 7<sup>th</sup> of 2019.

Reverend Ernest R Roberts, Chairman of the Board

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

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