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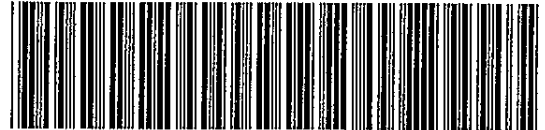
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Department of State
Division of Corporations
P. O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

Re: Bethlehem Baptist Church of Lake City, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed are an original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation and the Certificate of Registered Agent for the above referenced nonprofit corporation. I appreciate your filing the Articles on behalf of this non-profit corporation.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

Lowell O'Steen
P.O. Box 3325
Lake City, FL 32056

Enclosed is a check for the following amount:

<u> </u> \$70.00 Filing Fee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status	<u> </u> \$78.75 Filing Fee & Certified Copy	<u> </u> \$87.50 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status & Certified Copy
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Sincerely,

Lowell O'Steen

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH OF LAKE CITY, INC.

(A Florida Nonprofit Corporation)

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The undersigned, being of legal age and competent to contract, acting as incorporator of a corporation not for profit pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

- (1) The name of the corporation is BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH OF LAKE CITY, INC.
- (2) This corporation is a Non-Profit Corporation.
- (3) The period of duration of the corporation is perpetual.
- (4) The name of the Registered Agent and street address of the Registered Office in Florida is Lowell O'Steen, 2115 S.E. SR 100, Lake City, Florida 32025. The mailing address of the Registered Office is P.O. Box 3325, Lake City, Florida 32056.
- (5) The name and address of the incorporator is Lowell O'Steen, 2115 S.E. SR 100, Lake City, Florida 32025.
- (6) The corporation's principal office is located at 2115 S.E. SR 100, Lake City, Florida 32025. The corporation's principal office's mailing address is P.O. Box 3325, Lake City, Florida 32056.
- (7) The corporation shall have members. The right, duties, and qualifications of the members shall be in accordance with the corporation's bylaws.
- (8) Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for payment of all the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, religious, or educational purposes as shall at the time qualify as an organization or organizations exempt from Federal income taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Directors shall determine.
- (9) The corporation is organized as a church exclusively for religious, charitable, and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the

Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law), including, but not limited to, for such purposes, the establishing and maintaining of religious worship, the building and maintaining of churches, parsonages, schools, and such other religious, charitable, or educational institutions as may be appropriate in accordance with said tax exempt purposes, and further including bringing unsaved people to Jesus and membership in His family, developing them to Christ-like maturity, and equipping them for their ministry in the church and life mission in the world, to magnify God's name, and any other lawful purpose or purposes not for profit and not specifically prohibited to corporations under other laws of the State of Florida.

- (10) No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, directors, 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 purposes set forth in Article 8 hereof.
- (11) No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation.
- (12) 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.
- (13) The corporation shall have a racially nondiscriminatory policy and therefore shall not discriminate against any trustee, employee, student, or other individual on the basis of race, color, or national or ethnic origin. The corporation shall support or operate only schools that admit students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school and shall be racially nondiscriminatory in the administration of all of its policies and programs.
- (14) Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).
- (15) The effective date of this document is the date it is filed by the Secretary of State of Florida.
- (16) The directors shall be selected in accord with the bylaws of the corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation.

MAY 11, 2004
Date

Lowell O'Steen
Lowell O'Steen, Incorporator

**CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF
REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 617.0501, Florida Statutes, the undersigned corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered agent/registered office, in the State of Florida.

1. The name of the corporation is: **Bethlehem Baptist Church of Lake City, Inc.**
2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

Lowell O'Steen
2115 S.E. SR 100
Lake City, FL 32025

HAVING BEEN NAMED AS REGISTERED AGENT TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED CORPORATION AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN THIS CERTIFICATE, I AM FAMILIAR WITH AND ACCEPT THE APPOINTMENT AS REGISTERED AGENT AND AGREE TO ACT IN THIS CAPACITY.

Lowell O'Steen
Lowell O'Steen
MAY 11, 2004
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