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*New Bethel A.M.E.  
Church Community  
Outreach  
Foundation Inc.*

*White Springs,  
Florida*

**Articles of Incorporation**  
**New Bethel A.M.E. Church**  
**Community Outreach Foundation, Inc.**

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**Article I.**

The Name of the corporation shall be New Bethel A.M.E. Church Community Outreach Foundation, Inc. as designated and named by its President and Board of Directors. The principal place of business of this corporation shall be:

Post Office Box 770  
White Springs, Florida 32096

The mailing address of this corporation shall also be:

Post Office Box 770  
White Springs, Florida 32096

**Article II.**

The period of duration of this corporation is perpetual, unless dissolved according to law. Corporate existence shall commence upon date of incorporation.

**Article III.**

The overall purpose of the New Bethel A.M.E. Church Community Outreach Foundation, Inc. as a faith-based organization is to mobilize, assist and equip the local rural community to more effectively serve the spiritual and physical needs of those within the neighborhoods through outreach methods to include education, training, counseling, special programs and resources. The primary goal of the Foundation is to empower individuals and families to become self-sufficient and self-reliant. Specific programs and resources include, but are not limited to:

- A) Activities for youth that will assist them in achieving advanced learning skills and increased success on all standardized tests.
- B) Activities for adults to assist them in achieving their High School Diploma and/or GED.
- C) Family literacy activities that will teach parents how to be their child's first reading teacher, in addition to other parenting skills.
- D) On-going educational activities to include after-school, tutoring, mentoring, computer assistance, vocational and job employability skills programs.
- E) Information and counseling which aid in the enhancement of family and community structure, with emphasis on substance and drug abuse prevention,

sex and health education, budgeting and developing your own business programs.

- F) Assistance to ensure the well being of the elderly and/or persons with long-term health needs.
- G) Information, counseling and support to prisoners in a manner which will reduce the rate of recidivism once released from prison and as a form of comfort for those who will not be released.
- H) Recreational and athletic activities for adults and youths.
- I) Networking, information and referral/resource sharing capacity building and helping to promote a positive voice for the Church within the various public venues.
- J) To mortgage, lease, hypothecate, exchange, bequest and/or acquire by gift, annuity, lands and chattels.
- K) To acquire, buy, hold, own, sell, exchange, convey, lease, or otherwise dispose of goods, chattels and merchandise.

#### **Article IV.**

The Board of Directors is initially and henceforth appointed by the President of the Board. The manner in which the Board of Directors are appointed shall be determined by the President and that determination is set forth herein to include:

- A) Persons who believe in repentance towards God, and faith in JESUS CHRIST as their savior and LORD, and who are willing to confess Him publicly as LORD and follow Him in baptism and to observe the ordinance of CHRIST and to be governed by His laws and the Church Covenant, are qualified and eligible for membership in this Church Corporation.
- B) An appointment of no less than three and no more than five members to serve a term of one year on the New Bethel A.M.E. Church Community Outreach Foundation, Inc. committee.
- C) The appointment of members to the Board is to be based on the individual's ability to contribute in terms of providing suggestions, information and other qualifications as deemed necessary by the President.
- D) The understanding of each Board member is that their services are in an appointed capacity and that the President may terminate them at any time without written or verbal advance notification.
- E) The understanding of each Board member is that their position is in an advisory capacity for the promotion, maintenance and sustaining of the corporation.
- F) Decisions that are requested of the Board by the President will be made by a majority vote and provided to the President as a recommendation.
- G) The President will hold the ultimate decision upon forwarding of recommendations by the Board of Directors.

#### **Article V.**

The name and Florida street address of the initial registered agent is:

Reverend Ervin Omega Gilliam, Jr.

3332 Jim Lee Road

Tallahassee, Florida 32301

#### **Article VI.**

This corporation shall at all times be controlled by the majority vote of the members of the Board of Directors of the New Bethel A.M.E. Church Community Outreach Foundation, Inc. present at any regular or special meeting duly called. The Pastor of New Bethel A.M.E. Church will be deemed President of the New Bethel A. M.E. Church Community Outreach Foundation, Inc.

#### **VII.**

The officers of the corporation shall be a President, Treasurer and Financial Secretary. There are two additional members who will comprise the Board of Directors. The names of the officers and members are as follows:

**President**

Reverend Ervin Omega Gilliam, Jr.

3332 Jim Lee Road

Tallahassee, Florida 32301

**Treasurer**

Mary Berry

Post Office Box 108

White Springs, Florida 32096

**Financial Secretary**

Beverly Pope

144 South East Wilderness Drive

Lake City, Florida 32025

**Member**

Nicole Williams

Post Office Box 21

White Springs, Florida 32096

Member  
Jake Bradley  
Post Office Box 101  
White Springs, Florida 32096

**VIII.**

The By-Laws of this corporation and any change in amendments to the Articles of Incorporation are to be made, altered or rescinded by a two-thirds vote of the qualified members of the Board of Directors of the Foundation at a regular or special business meeting, providing a ten day written notice of the purpose has been sent to all known members by United States mail at the last known address.

**IX.**

This corporation is organized under a non-stock basis.

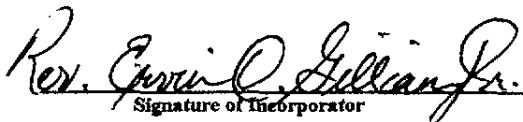
**X.**


In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the organization will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in Sections 501( c)3 and 170 ( c)2 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or corresponding sections of any prior or future law, or to the Federal, State or local government for exclusive public purpose.

**XI.**

The name and address of the Incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation is:

Reverend Ervin Omega Gilliam, Jr.  
3332 Jim Lee Road  
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

  
Signature of Incorporator

  
Date

I am familiar with and accept the duties as registered agent.