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June 18, 2004

## VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL -

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

RE:

Filing of Non-Profit Articles of Incorporation for:

Church of the Great Commission (1887-2)

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please find an original and two copies of the non-profit Articles of Incorporation of the **Church of the Great Commission, Inc.** Please file the original and one copy and please date stamp the second copy and return it to us in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope. A check in the amount of \$70 made payable to the "Florida Department of State" is also enclosed to cover the filing fee.

If additional information is necessary, please call the undersigned at 703-761-5000. Thank you and best regards.

Sincerely.

Stephen H. King Lisa D. Herbst

Enclosures: as stated

cc: Bishop David T. P. Perrin

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## CHURCH OF THE GREAT COMMISSION, INC.

I, the undersigned, acting as incorporator, submit the following Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation in compliance with Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes (Not for Profit), and hereby certify that:

ARTICLE 1: Name. The name of the corporation is Church of the Great Commission, Inc. hereinafter referred to as "the Corporation."

ARTICLE 2: Principal Office. The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation is: 12025 Lake Cypress Circle, Orlando, FL 32828.

ARTICLE 3: Duration. The period of its duration is perpetual.

ARTICLE 4: Purposes. The Corporation is a church, and is organized and shall be operated exclusively for religious, charitable and educational purposes pursuant to section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any successor statute of similar import (the "Code"). As a church, the Corporation's purposes include, but are not limited to:

- 1. worshiping and magnifying God in the earth;
- providing a place of fellowship and nurture for members of the Body of 2. Christ:
- educating, equipping and training members of the church in godliness; 3.
- sharing the love of God with people who have not heard of the saving 4. grace of God in Christ;
- seeking to minister, in word and deed, to the felt and real needs of the 5. members of our community;
- being good stewards of the resources, human, natural, spiritual or 6. material, that God has made available to us; and
- 7. serving as a moral conscience for our church, community, nation and world.

The Corporation may do any and all lawful acts which may be necessary or useful for the furtherance of its religious, charitable and educational purposes.

The Corporation may receive property by gift, devise or bequest, invest and reinvest the same, and apply the income and principal thereof, as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine, either directly or through contributions to any religious, charitable or educational organization or organizations, exclusively for religious, charitable or educational purposes.

ARTICLE 5: Membership. The Corporation shall have one class of members, the qualifications, rights and duties of which are set forth in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE 6: Tax Exempt Provisions. The property of this Corporation is irrevocably dedicated to religious, charitable and educational purposes, and 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 to or for the Corporation and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in these Articles. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. 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 any other provision of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code or by a corporation contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 of the Code.

Upon dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, all assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of the Corporation shall be distributed to Great Commission Global Ministries, a Maryland nonprofit corporation, if then in existence and in good standing as a tax-exempt organization under 501(c)(3) of the Code, or otherwise for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Code as determined by the Board of Directors. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of exclusively for such exempt purposes by a court of competent jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located.

ARTICLE 7: Board of Directors. The Board of Directors of the Corporation shall be the Board of Elders of the Church. The manner in which the Directors or Elders of the Corporation are to be appointed shall be as stated in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE 8: Initial Board of Directors. The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors shall be four (4). The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial Board of Directors until their successors shall be appointed and qualified are:

NAME ADDRESS

David T.P. Perrin 12025 Lake Cypress Circle, Apt. E-108; Orlando, FL 32828

12025 Lake Cypress Circle, Apt. E-108; Orlando, FL 32828 Allethia Y. Perrin

Reginald White

940 Brintell Street, Pittsburg, PA 15201

Carla Lee

3707 Elmcrest Lane, Bowie, MD 20716

ARTICLE 9: Limitation on Liability. To the fullest extent permitted by Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, as now in effect or as may hereafter be amended, no director or officer of the Corporation shall be personally liable for damages in any proceeding brought by or in the right of the Corporation, or in connection with any claim, action, suit or proceeding to which he or she may be or is made a party by reason of being or having been an officer or director of the Corporation, provided, however, that such relief from liability shall not apply in any instance where such relief is inconsistent with any provision applicable to corporations described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

ARTICLE 10: Initial Registered Agent and Address. The name and Florida street address of the initial registered agent is: David Perrin, 12025 Lake Cypress Circle, Apt. E-108, Orlando, FL 32828.

ARTICLE 11: Incorporator. The name and address of the incorporator is: Stephen H. King, Esc., 8280 Greensboro Drive, 7th Floor, McLean, VA 22102.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has set his hand this  $\stackrel{\sim}{\sim}$  1844 day of June 2004.

BY: Stephen H. King, Incorporator

Having been named as initial 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.

David T.P. Perrin

Date

SECRETARY OF STATE