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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF FOR I AM FREE MINISTRIES, INC. A FLORIDA NON-PROFIT CORPORATION



ARTICLE 1-NAME

The corporation's name is **I AM FREE MINISTRIES**, **INC.**, a Florida Non-profit corporation, hereafter referred to as the Corporation.

ARTICLE II-POWERS AND PURPOSES

This is a non-profit corporation organized solely for Religious, Literary and Educational purposes pursuant to the Florida Corporations Not-for-Profit Law set forth in Part 1 of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statues. The specific purpose of the Corporation is to provide temporary housing to abused women and women being released from incarceration in a effort to facilitate a successful re-entry into society by responding effectively to the unmet needs of abused women and ex-offenders:

- A. To assist in the reduction of recidivism and transient life styles.
- B. To offer solutions to unique problems at ex-offenders and abused women in the Central Florida area.
- C. To provide a path for women who desire to make the transformation from a monitored environment to and independent productive lifestyle.
- **D.** To provide housing, clothing, food, mentoring, and employment referrals.
- E. To provide spiritual, emotional and psychological counseling
- F. To develop a wholesome responsibility toward the principles of God word.
- G. To train Christians to become mature and effective ministers of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
- H. To expand, conduct, and carry out its ministries in the principal office or any place in the state, the United States or in any foreign country, and to have and maintain facilities necessary to its purpose.
- I. To evangelize the network of the individual freedom in Christ.

The general purpose for which this corporation is formed is to operate exclusively for such religious, charitable literary and educational purposes as will qualify it as and exempt organization under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of the 1954 or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations which qualify as tax-exempt organizations under that code.

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(1) To raise the spiritual, moral, economic, educational and social levels of the targeted group, including members of moderate, low, and very low income community, who are substantially unemployed, underemployed, or whose income is below federal poverty guidelines, to foster and promote community-wide interest and concern for the problems of said group to the end that (a) educational and economic opportunities may be expanded; (b) sickness, poverty, crime, and environmental degradation may be lessened; and (c) racial tensions, prejudice, and discrimination, economic and otherwise, may be eliminated; and (d) expound the need for establishing and fostering the **Brotherhood of Mankind**

(2) It is this purpose of the Corporation thereby to relieve the poor, distressed, underprivileged and indigent by enabling them to secure the basic spiritual and human needs and to lessen the burdens of government and promote their social welfare.

(3) To expand opportunities available to said families and individuals to interact with other Families and Individuals who are sincere about their **Spiritual Development** and the welfare and benefit of others taking the same **Journey**.

(4) To aid, support and assist through fellowship, gifts, contributions, and with other groups operated exclusively for moral, charitable, or educational purposes. No part of the net earnings of which endures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, and no substantial part of the activities of which is for carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation.

(5) To do any and all lawful activities which may be necessary, useful or desirable for the furtherance, accomplishment, fostering, or attaining of the foregoing purposes, either directly or indirectly, and either alone or in conjunction or cooperation with others, whether such others be persons or organization of any kind or nature, such as corporations, firms associations, trusts, institutions, foundations, or governmental bureaus, departments or agencies.

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In furtherance, but not in limitation, of the foregoing moral, charitable, and educational purposes, the Corporation shall have the following powers:

(1) To solicit, collect and receive money and other assets, and to administer funds and contributions received by grant, gift, deed, bequest or devise, and otherwise to acquire money, securities, property, rights and services of every kind and description, and to hold, invest, expend, contribute, use, sell or otherwise dispose of any money, securities, property, rights or services so acquired for the purpose above mentioned.

(2) To borrow money, and to make, accept, endorse, execute and issue bonds, debentures, promissory notes, and other corporate obligations for monies borrowed, or in payment for property acquired, services rendered or for any other purposes of the Corporation, and to secure payment of any such obligation by mortgage, pledge, deed indenture agreement or other instrument or trust, or by other lien upon, assignment of or agreement in regard to all or any part of the property, rights or privileges of the Corporation.

(3) To invest and reinvest its funds in such mortgages, bonds, notes, debentures, shares and any other securities of any kind whatsoever, including property, real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible, all as the Corporation's Board of Directors shall deem advisable and as may be permitted by law.

(4) To engage in activity of operation business ventures for the purposes of providing job training, employment services, and managerial development opportunities to said families and individuals for the charitable purpose of furthering the development of **Brotherhood** in the community.

(5) To hire and fire employees and to contract for outside services at the will of the Corporation.

(6) To engage in any and all activities which will directly or indirectly improve the **Spiritual** welfare and **Mental** conditions of said families and individuals.

(7) To exercise all rights and powers conferred upon corporations formed under the General Nonprofit Corporation Law of the state of Florida provided, however, that the Corporation shall not engage in any activities or exercise any powers, including those specifically mentioned herein, that are not in furtherance of the specific and primarily moral, charitable and educational purposes of the Corporation.

(8) The operation of said Corporation shall also include the following concerns:

- A. **Soup Kitchen-** a community kitchen that will provide a free meal to needed residents. Delivering also to home bound persons.
- B. Prayer Line- an open telephone line that will take prayer request.
- C. Love Thrift Shop- with vouchers available for emergencies.
- D. Family Counseling- New Beginnings; Divorce Recovery; Ex-Con Program. All counseling will be Biblically based.
- E. Family Resource Center- provides a warm spirit-filled environment with books, movies, etc. for sitting enjoyment.
- F. Child Abuse Summits/Youth Talent Search and Self Expression to work jointly with the Youth Council Committee.
- G. Day Care Facility
- H. Adult Day Care or Congregate Living Facility

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ARTICLE III-REGISTERED AGENT/PRINCIPLE OFFICE

The name and address of the Registered Agent of the Association and the Principal office address are:

Ginger Rogersydury 14681 SW 39th Court Road Ocala, FL. 34473-2632

The principal office of the Corporation shall be in Duval County, Florida; but the Corporation may maintain offices and transact business in any other county in the State of Florida, as may from time to time be designated by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IV-EXISTENCE

This corporation shall have a perpetual existence.

ARTICLE V-OFFICERS and MEMBERS

- A. Officers and Directors as Membership The sole class of member of this corporation shall be duly elected or appointed officers and directors, unless the directors authorize different classes of membership as provided in the by-laws.
- B. Rights and Liabilities of Members- The members of this corporation shall have no right, title, or interest whatsoever in its income, property, or assets, except for salaries or other compensation for expenses as provided in the by-laws.

ARTICLE VI-BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A. Board of Directors – The powers of this corporation shall be exercised, Properties controlled, and its affair conducted by a Board of Directors. The names and Addresses of the members of the Board of Directors are as follows:

PRESIDENT Jourg Ginger Rogers 14681 SW 39th Court Road Ocala, FL. 34473-2632

VICE-PRESIDENT

Alonzo Young - 14681 SW 39th Court Road Ocala, Fl. 34473-2632

SECRETARY-TREASURE Cindy Green- 2914 S.W. 16TH Street, Ocala, Florida 34474

BOARD MEMBER Winnie Hamilton- 14115 Castalia, Cleveland, Ohio 441

BOARD MEMBER Patricia Miles-14115 Castalia, Cleveland, Ohio 441

ARTICLE VII-LIMITATIONS

Subject to limitations contained in the By-laws, and any limitations set forth in the Corporations Not-for-Profit law of Florida, concerning corporate action that must be authorized or approved by the members of the corporation, by-laws of this corporation may be made, altered rescinded, added to, or new by-laws may be adopted, either by any other procedure set forth in the by-laws.

ARTICLE VIII-PROPERTY

The property of this corporation is exclusively dedicated to religious and educational purpose and no part of the net income assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer, or member thereof, or to the benefit of any private individual.

ARTICLE VIII – INCORPORATOR

The name and mailing address of the incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation

Alonzo Young 14681 SW 39th Court Road Ocala, Fl. 34473-2632

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF MARION

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day before me Alonzo Young, a Notary Public duly authorized in the state and county named above to take acknowledgements, personally appeared to me known to be the person described as Incorporator in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and he acknowledged before me that he executed and subscribed to these Articles of Incorporation.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the state and county named above this 19 day of August 2004

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ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENTS

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by a majority vote at the annual meeting or at a special meeting called for that purpose.

ARTICLE X

Upon the dissolution of and winding up of this organization, after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations of the organization, the remaining assets shall be distributed to a nonprofit fund, foundation or corporation which are organized and operated exclusively for the purposes specified in section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code and has established its tax-exempt status, or shall be distributed to the Federal Government, or to a state or local government for a public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for the purposes specified in section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

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CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE. NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED.

In pursuance of Chapter 48.091, Florida Statues, the following is submitted, in compliance with said Act:

First, That AM FREE MINISTRIES, INC. desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation, in the City of Ocala, County of Marion, and State of Florida, has named **Ginger Rogers** as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of said Act relative to keeping upon said office.

State of Florida County of Marion **Ginger Rogers** The foregoing instruma dedged before me Registered Agent this 8-19.04 Ginger I. Dill ALA: Rogers who is ANNI Gayle Mohl AFLOC personally line s 6400.289.65.683 not) take an o $\boldsymbol{\wp}$



