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## FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Division of Corporations

May 8, 2020

PENTECOSTAL FULL GOSPEL WORSHIP CENTER INC 5105 NORTH US HIGHWAY 441 OCALA, FL 34475

SUBJECT: PENTECOSTAL FULL GOSPEL WORSHIP CENTER, INC.

Ref. Number: N04402

We have received your document for PENTECOSTAL FULL GOSPEL WORSHIP CENTER, INC., however, upon receipt of your document no check was enclosed. Please return your **document** along with a **check** or **money order** made payable to the Department of State for \$35.00.

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The name must contain a word that will clearly indicate that it is a corporation. This word may be: CORPORATION, CORP., INCORPORATED, or INC. Sections 617.0401(1)(a) and 617.1506(1), Florida Statutes, prohibits the use of the word COMPANY or CO. in the name of a non-profit corporation.

A certificate must accompany the Restated Articles of Incorporation setting forth one of the following statements: (1) The restatement was adopted by the board of directors and does not contain any amendments requiring member approval; OR (2) If the restatement contains an amendment requiring member approval, the date of adoption of the amendment by the members and a statement that the number of votes cast for the amendment was sufficient for approval.

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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#### AMENDED AND RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

## PENTECOSTAL FULL GOSPEL WORSHIP CENTER, INC. 2020 JULY -6 PH 3: 21

We, the undersigned incorporators, a majority of whom are citizens of the United States, hereby incorporate ourselves together to form and establish a corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE 1 - Name

The name of this corporation shall be <u>CHANGED</u> from PENTECOSTAL FULL GOSPEL WORSHIP CENTER, Inc. to <u>IMMERSE CHURCH</u>, Inc.

#### **ARTICLE 11 – Not For Profit**

The corporation is a corporation not for profit as defined in Section 617.01, Florida Statutes (1981). The corporation is not formed for pecuniary profit. No part of the income of assets of the corporation is distributable to or for the benefit of its members, directors, trustees or officers, except the extent permissible under law.

#### <u>ARTICLE III – Principal Office</u>

The principal office of the corporation is 5105 North U.S. Highway 441, Ocala, FL 34475

#### <u>ARTICLE 1V – Purpose</u>

The purpose of this corporation shall be for religious purposes within the meaning of the Internal Revenue Code Sec. 501(c) 3, including spreading and promoting the Gospel of Jesus Christ to as any people as God will send us; and religious worship and carrying on of such other church functions as the congregation may deem necessary and proper; acquiring, mortgaging and selling property or properties in connection with its functions as a religious corporation; all of the above in accordance with the complete Apostle doctrine.

#### <u>ARTICLE V – Membership</u>

The ministers shall state rules and beliefs of the organization such as repentance, meaning being sorry for one's sins, water baptism in Jesus' name for remission of sins and receiving of the Holy Ghost, giving of tithes and offerings, foot washing (optional), and communion with wine (grape juice) and bread. Every person who believes in repentance toward God, and believeth in Jesus Christ, as Savior and Lord, and who is willing to confess Him publicly as Lord and King and follow Him in baptism, and to observe the ordinances of Christ, and to be governed by His laws, is

qualified and eligible for membership in this corporation. The manner of admission to membership in said corporation shall be as provided for in the By-laws. The said By-laws of the corporation shall also provide for the manner in which a member may resign, or be suspended or expelled from membership.

The members in tithes, free-will offerings, fund raising events, contributions, and donations will solely support this organization. The contributions of non-members, businesses and other agencies are also accepted. This organization also applies for appropriate grant funding (private, governmental, other organizations) that will suffice the mission of the vision.

#### **ARTICLE VI – Limitations**

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, directors, or officers, but the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in the furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article IV (purposed) hereof.

#### **ARTICLE VII - Term of Existence**

This corporation shall have perpetual existence.

#### **ARTICLE VIII – Subscribers**

The name and residence of the subscriber is: Lillie Tuggerson, 5971 NE 57<sup>th</sup> Loop, Silver Springs, FL 34488

#### **ARTICLE IX- Officers of the Corporation**

The officers of the corporation shall be a president, vice president, a secretary and treasurer and any such other officers as may from time to time be prescribed by the By-laws of the corporation. All officers shall be elected annually and shall hold office for one (1) year or until their successors are duly elected or appointed. In the event an office becomes vacant for any reason whatsoever, the Governance Board of Directors shall fill the vacancy forthwith or as shall be prescribed by the By-laws of IMMERSE CHURCH, Inc.

#### **ARTICLE X - SUCCESSION:**

The office of the Chairman of the Goverance Board shall at all times be held by the same single person as the President (Apostle/Dr. Lillie Tuggerson). Any successor to the President (Pastor/Chairman of the Governance Board) shall only come into existence at the appointment of the existing President (Pastor/Chairman of the Governance Board) who may appoint his/her successor to take office in accordance with the written instructions of the then existing President (Pastor/Chairman of the Governance Board). In the event that the existing President (Pastor/Chairman of the Governance Board), should become unable for any reason to continue in

the office of the Chairman of the Governance Board and be unable to appoint a successor (President/Pastor/Chairman of the Governance Board), whether during his lifetime or by his/her Last Will and Testament, then and in that event, a successor President (Pastor/Chairman of the Governance Board) shall be selected by use of the procedure set forth in Article IX of these Bylaws of IMMERSE CHURCH, Inc.

#### ARTICLE XI – GOVERANCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This corporation shall have a Governance Board of Directors consisting of (13) directors initially. The number of directors shall be prescribed in the By-Laws from time to time. The names and addresses of the directors who shall serve are as follows:

President Apostle Dr. Lillie Tuggerson

5971 NE 57<sup>th</sup> Loop Silver Springs, FL 34488

Vice President Executive Pastor Bernard Tuggerson, Jr.

5539 SW 83<sup>rd</sup> Lane Ocala, FL 34476

Treasurer Elder Verna Tillman

5740 NW 65<sup>th</sup> Place Ocala, FL 34482

Secretary Michael Beard

8209 SW 1<sup>st</sup> Place Gainesville, FL 32607

Board Member Prophetess Gladys McCray

1100 NE 145<sup>th</sup> St. Ft. McCoy, FL 32134

Board Member Deacon Roosevelt Beard

1894 NE 28<sup>th</sup> St. Ocala, FL 34470

Board Member Elder Charles Perry

7110 SW 130th Lane Rd

Ocala, FL 34473

Board Member Minister Benjamin Snowden

1330 NE 37<sup>th</sup> Lane Ocala, FL 34479

Board Member Marva Walcott

Board Member

Elder Otis Oliver

4827 SE 11th Place Ocala, FL 34471

Board Member

Michael Johnson

6062 NW 61<sup>ST</sup> Street

Ocala, FL 34482

Board Member

VACANT

#### ARTICLE XII - By-Laws

The By-Laws of the corporation may be adopted, altered, or rescinded by the majority vote of the active members present and voting at any regular meeting of the corporation.

#### **ARTICLE XIII - Amendments**

The articles of Incorporation and/or these By-Laws of the corporation may be altered, amended, or repealed, and new by-laws may be adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Board of Directors of the Church at any regular or special combined meeting of the Board of Directors; provided, however, that only a majority of the Board of Directors of this corporation shall be eligible to vote on such amendments, and a two-thirds majority vote of the membership present at said meeting shall be necessary to amend these Articles of incorporation. At lease fourteen (14) days written advance notice of a meeting called for purpose of altering, amending or repealing the Church's By-Laws or Articles of Incorporation shall be given each member of the Board of Directors.

Adoption of Amendment(s)

 $\checkmark$  There are no members entitled to vote on the amendment(s). The amendment(s) were adopted by the board of directors.

20 Authorized Signature: Mchael Beard.

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Printed Name

#### **ARTICLE XIV - Nonstock Basis**

The corporation is organized and shall be operated on a nonstock basis within the meaning of the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, and shall not have the power to issue shares of any type or class of stock or other certificates or writings evidencing an ownership or proprietary interest in the corporation.

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#### **ARTICLE XV - Marriage Policy**

We believe that because God our Creator established marriage as a sacred institution between one man and one woman, the idea that marriage is a covenant only between one man and one woman has been the traditional definition of marriage for all of human history ("Traditional Definition of Marriage"). Because of the longstanding importance of the Traditional Definition of Marriage to humans and their relationships and communities, and, most importantly, the fact that God has ordained that marriage between one man and one woman, as clearly conveyed in God's inerrant Scriptures, including for example in *Matthew 19:4-5* where the speaking about marriage Jesus referred to the fact that "he which made them as the beginning made them male and female," "Immerse Church, Inc., hereby created this policy, which shall be known as the "Marriage Policy."

Under the Immerse Church, Inc. Policy, the Traditional Definition of Marriage is the only definition of marriage that will be recognized or accepted. No director, officer, employee, servant, agent, or any person, corporation, organization, or entity under the direction or control of Immerse Church, Inc. shall commit any act or omission, or make any decision whatsoever, that would be inconsistent with, or that could be perceived by any person to be inconsistent with, full support of Immerse Church, Inc. Marriage Policy and strict adherence to the Traditional Definition of Marriage rather then any alternative to the Traditional Definition or Marriage.

Immerse Church, Inc. Policy specifically prohibits acts or omissions including but not limited to permitting any Immerse Church, Inc., assets or property, whether real property, personal property, intangible property, or any property or asset of any kind that is subject to the direction or control of Immerse Church, Inc., to be used in any manner that would be or could be perceived by any person to be inconsistent with Immerse Church, Inc., Marriage Policy or the Traditional Definition of Marriage, including but not limited to permitting any church facilities to be used by any person, organization, corporation, or group that would or might use such facilities to convey, intentionally or by implication, that might be perceived as a favorable impression about any definition of marriage

We believe Immerse Church, Inc. Marriage Policy is based upon God's will for human life as conveyed to us through the Holy Scriptures, upon which this Immerse Church, Inc. has been founded and anchored, and this Marriage Policy shall not be subject to change through popular vote; referendum; prevailing opinion of members or the general public; influence of or

by any government authority, agency, or official action; or legal developments or the local, state, or federal level.

#### ARTICLE XVI - Registered Agent

The registered agent for this corporation is Lillie Tuggerson and my address is 5971 NE 57<sup>th</sup> Loop, Silver Springs, FL 34488. I am familiar with and accept the responsibilities of the Registered Agent position.

DATED this \_\_4th\_\_\_\_ day of August 2020\_

Lillie Tuggerson, Subscriber

## STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF MARION

BEFORE ME, a notary public, authorized to take acknowledgements in the state and county set forth above, personally appeared Lillie Tuggerson, known to me and known by me to be the person who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, I and who acknowledged before me that she executed these Articles of Incorporation.





