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**TO:** Amendment Section  
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**NAME OF CORPORATION:** Gateway of Deliverance Tabernacle, Inc.

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The enclosed *Articles of Amendment* and fee are submitted for filing.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

Karen D. Muse

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Gateway of Deliverance Tabernacle, Inc.

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P.O. Box 58053

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Articles of Amendment  
to  
Articles of Incorporation  
of

Gateway of Deliverance Tabernacle, Inc.

(Name of corporation as currently filed with the Florida Dept. of State)

N05000000498

(Document number of corporation (if known))

Pursuant to the provisions of section 617.1006, Florida Statutes, this **Florida Not For Profit Corporation** adopts the following amendment(s) to its Articles of Incorporation:

**NEW CORPORATE NAME (if changing):**

(must contain the word "corporation," "incorporated," or the abbreviation "corp." or "inc." or words of like import in language; "Company" or "Co." may not be used in the name of a not for profit corporation)

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED- (OTHER THAN NAME CHANGE)** Indicate Article Number(s) and/or Article Title(s) being amended, added or deleted: **(BE SPECIFIC)**

Preamble - Amended

Article 2 - Purpose of the Corporation - Amended

Article 9 - Powers of Corporation - Amended

Article 10 - Management of Corporate Affairs - Amended

Article 11 - Term of Existence - Amended

Article 12 - Dissolution - Amended

Article 13 - Registered Office & Registered Agent - Amended

(wording only)

Article 14 - By-laws - Amended

Article 18 - Membership - Added

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The date of adoption of the amendment(s) was: October 15, 2005

Effective date if applicable: Immediately upon approval of the Secretary of State  
(no more than 90 days after amendment file date)

Adoption of Amendment(s) **(CHECK ONE)**

- ☒ The amendment(s) was (were) adopted by the members and the number of votes cast for the amendment was sufficient for approval.
- ☐ There are no members or members entitled to vote on the amendment. The amendment(s) was (were) adopted by the board of directors.

Signature

Karen D. Muse

(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.)

Karen D. Muse

(Typed or printed name of person signing)

Director

(Title of person signing)

**FILING FEE: \$35**

**RESTATEMENT  
OF  
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
GATEWAY OF DELIVERANCE, INC.**

Gateway of Deliverance, Inc was incorporated in the State of Florida on January 15, 2005. The Corporation, for the purpose of amending and restating its Certificate of Incorporation pursuant to the provisions of section 617, Florida Statutes.

We, the undersigned incorporation of the GATEWAY OF DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE, INC., mindful of our sacred purpose in the Gospel, in order that this body may be governed in an orderly manner, consistent with the principles of a self-governing body, inherent rights of the Articles of Incorporation, do declare and establish this constitution. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned incorporators are U.S. Citizens of full age having voluntarily associated themselves for the purpose of forming a not-for-profit corporation without capital stock in accordance under he laws of the State of Florida under the provision of chapter 617, providing for the formation, liability, rights, privileges, and immunities of a not-for-profit corporation. This corporation shall exist exclusively for religious, education, and charitable purposes as defined in the Section 501c3 of the Internal Revenue Code.

**ARTICLE 1 – NAME**

This corporation shall be known as GATEWAY OF DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE, INC., (hereinafter, "Corporation".)

**ARTICLE 2 – PURPOSE OF THE CORPORATION**

GATEWAY OF DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE, INC. is a Christ-centered church in our community. Our mission is to minister the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to minister biblical principles for practical living. The purpose of GATEWAY OF DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE, INC. is to:

1. Serves as an outreach ministry, working throughout the community to strengthen and unify the community spiritually, economically, and physically through means of teaching the Word of God.

2. Advance the teaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior, and to institute and maintain and Evangelistic and missionary work at home and abroad.
3. Establish a place of worship for those of like faith and provide training to the Disciples of Christ.
4. Provide weekly, monthly, quarterly, annual gatherings wherein members come together for the strengthening, exhortation, and encouragement of the local Body of Christ.
5. Develop outreach ministries to reach the world.
6. Conduct a local church under the direction of the Lord Jesus Christ and under the guidance of the Holy Spirit as set forth in the Holy Scriptures, the irrevocable Word of God. Pursuant thereto, the following activities and guidelines shall be established:
  - a. A recognized Creed, Code of Doctrine, discipline and form of worship shall be established
  - b. An ecclesiastical form of government shall be established.
  - c. A membership based upon acceptance of a recognized creed and beliefs.
  - d. Various religious services pursuant to a recognized creed (a form of worship code.)
  - e. Spread the Word of God by ministering to all through seminars, radio, television, and other forms of mass media.
  - f. To conduct a local ministry in various communities, cities, and states.
  - g. To conduct any type of school for the religious training of ministries. To license, ordain and qualify its members for ministerial duties.
7. Acquire and hold such property, either real or personal for the Corporation's purposes, as may be necessary for its membership and the worship of God

### **ARTICLE 3 – CORPORARATE STOCK**

This corporation shall be without capital stock.

### **ARTICLE 4 – PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The address of the principal office of this Corporation is 7029 Commonwealth Avenue, Suite 2, Jacksonville, FL 32220 and the mailing address is Post Office Box 58053, Jacksonville, FL 32241.

### **ARTICLE 5 – INCORPORATOR**

The name and street address of the incorporator of this Corporation is

Bridget Carter  
4800 Ortega Farms Blvd., #204  
Jacksonville, FL 32210

### **ARTICLE 6 – OFFICERS**

The officers of the Corporation shall be:

Director: Karen D. Muse  
Secretary: Karen D. Muse  
Treasurer: Karen D. Muse

whose addresses shall be the same as the principal office of the Corporation.

### **ARTICLE 7 – INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The names of the persons who are the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation are as follows:

Karen D. Muse  
Aron C. Muse  
Jessie L. Nightingale, Jr.

whose addresses shall be the same as the principal office of the Corporation.

### **ARTICLE 8 – MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Corporation shall have no membership dues and shall be governed exclusively by its Board of Directors. The manner in which the Directors of the Corporation shall be elected or appointed shall be governed by the provision of the Bylaws of the Corporation.

### **ARTICLE 9 – POWERS OF CORPORATION**

The Corporation shall have the same powers as an individual to do all things necessary or convenient to carry out its business and affairs, subject to any limitations or restrictions imposed by applicable law or these Articles of Incorporation.

In accordance with and in addition to the powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida, but subject to the limitations of Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3), and the applicable regulations there under and interpretations thereof, the Corporation shall have the following powers.

1. To receive and accepts gifts of money and property and to hold the same for any of the purposes of the Corporation and it work.
2. To raise and assist in raising funds for the purposes herein set forth, including the issuance of bonds or other instruments of credit.
3. To acquire, own, lease, mortgage and dispose of property, both real and personal.
4. To accept property and donations in trust for religious or charitable purposes.
5. To acquire, hold, won, sell, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, or otherwise dispose of the share of capital stock, bonds, obligations or other securities of other corporations, domestic, or foreign, as investments or otherwise, in carrying out any other purposes of the Corporation and, while the owner thereof, to exercise all rights, powers, and privileges of ownership, including the power to vote thereon.

#### **ARTICLE 10 – MANAGEMENT OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS**

The powers of the Corporation shall be exercised by or under the authority of and the business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed under the direction of the Board of Directors which shall have three (3) Directors initially. The initial Board of Directors need not be members of this church, but shall act in accordance with its Bylaws and Doctrines. The number of Directors may increase or decrease from time to time by a majority of the Directors but at no time shall there be fewer than three (3) Directors of the Corporation.

The Directors identified herein shall constitute the current Board of Directors and they shall hold their offices until other or further election. In the event of the inability of any Director to act, or in the event of death of any Director, the remaining Directors shall elect another Director or Directors, to fill the vacancy or vacancies, thus created. A Director need not be a resident of the State of Florida. A new Director shall be elected by a majority vote of the total Directors.

1. The Directors in their collective capacity shall be known as the Board of Directors and under that name shall constitute the governing body, and shall conduct and transact all business of the Corporation.
2. The Directors shall have power and authority to hold an annual meeting of the Board of Directors and may likewise hold special meetings as may be determined by the Board of Directors. The annual meeting shall be held at the offices or the Corporation, or at such place and time as the Directors may determine in each year, or as soon thereafter in each year as is possible for the Directors to call such meetings; and all meetings shall be held at the office of the Corporation, or at such place as the Directors may determine.
3. The Board of Directors shall have and is hereby given power and authority to provide for the qualifications and requirements for the congregational membership which



without doctrinal provisions or terminology shall primarily require a belief in the Christian relation and in the salvation of men by grace through faith in the shed blood of Jesus Christ as the only atonement made for sin, and in the Trinity of the Godhead and the Church as one Spiritual Body made up of all true believers, and shall provide the means and manner of admission of membership, which admission shall be free of charge therefore, and shall likewise provide means of suspension from its membership.

4. The Board of Directors shall have power and authority, which is hereby given, to provide suitable and proper means and religious ceremony and required tests and qualifications for entrance into the ministry of the Church, and by and through such means as are established and administered, any and all applicants may be inducted into the ministry of the Church by license, commission or full ordination with all Church authority possible for any church or ecclesiastical body to be given or to possess or to administer, giving therein authority to administer all sacred services of ecclesiastical bodies and to include all sacred and sacramental services, and to further include the marriage services and together with the sacred service of baptism.
5. The Board of Directors shall have the power and authority, which is hereby given, to establish, institute, operate and maintain any and all such additional departments, association, institutions, schools, mission stations, programs and/or any and all such other vehicles as may be deemed appropriate and advisable by said Board of Directors for the propagation of the Gospel and of Christian and religious worship anywhere within the United States of America and/or in any other country.
6. The Board of Directors shall have power and authority, which is hereby given, to negotiate or designate agents to negotiate all of the business transactions of the Corporation, including all receipts and all disbursements, and additionally for any such additional departments, associations, institutions, schools, mission stations, programs, and/or any and all such other vehicles established or instituted by the Corporation.
7. A majority of the Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction by the Board of Directors of any and all business, in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida.

The Corporation may adopt an advisory board whose members need not be members of this church, but they shall have no voting privileges or liability, but shall exist for the sole purpose of providing advice for the benefit of this Corporation. All members and nonmembers shall be indemnified against actions arising out of judicial proceedings against the organization.

The Corporation reserves the right to retain any legal, accounting and professional services to ensure accountability and integrity in its business affairs.

#### **ARTICLE 11 – TERM OF EXISTENCE**

The Corporation is organized pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 617.0202, of the Florida Statutes for Nonprofit Corporation. This Corporation shall have perpetual existence. All of the Directors of the Corporation are now in good and regular standing, and such other

members as the Board of Directors shall from time to time admit to membership shall be members of the Corporation.

#### **ARTICLE 12 – DISSOLUTION**

In the event of the dissolution of the Corporation, or in the event it shall cease to carry out the objective and purposes herein set forth, all of the business, property and assets of the Corporation shall go and be distributed to a nonprofit corporation qualifying as an organization exempt under the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any superseding statute thereof, and as an organization qualifying as a public charity under the provisions of Section 509(a)(1) or 509(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any superseding statute thereof, as the Board of Directors of the Corporation may select and designate; and in no event shall any of said assets or property, in the event of dissolution thereof, go or be distributed or contributed by such Directors, for any other such purpose. Any of such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the District Court of the County in which the principal office of the Corporation 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 such purposes.

#### **ARTICLE 13 – REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT**

The initial address of registered office of this Corporation is located at 7029 Commonwealth Avenue, Suite 2, Jacksonville, Florida 32220. The name and address of the registered agent of this Corporation is Karen D. Muse, 7029 Commonwealth Avenue, Suite 2, Jacksonville, Florida 32220.

#### **ARTICLE 14 – BYLAWS**

The Corporation shall be governed by a sovereign body, and the regulations of the internal affairs of the Corporation shall be governed by the provisions of the Bylaws of the Corporation.

The Board of Director(s) of the Corporation shall have power, without the assent or vote of the shareholders, to make, alter, amend or repeal the Bylaws of the Corporation, but the affirmative vote of a number of Directors equal to a majority of the number who would constitute a full Board of Director(s) at the time of such action shall be necessary to take any action for the making, alteration, amendment or repeal of the Bylaws.

#### **ARTICLE 15 – OPERATION OF CORPORATION**

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal

government or to a state or local government for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed by a Court of competent Jurisdiction in the county in which the principal office of the corporation 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 such purposes.

No part of the net earnings of this Corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, Board of Directors, Officers or other private persons, except that this Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in these Articles.

No substantial part of the activities of this Corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation (except as otherwise provided by Section 501(h) of the Internal Revenue Code), and this Corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

In any taxable year in which this Corporation is a private foundation as described in Section 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, the Corporation 1) shall distribute its income for said period at such time and manner as not to subject it to tax under Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code; 2) shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code; 3) shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code; 4) shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject the Corporation to tax under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code; 5) shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code.

#### **ARTICLE 16 – EFFECTIVE DATE**

These Articles of Incorporation shall be effective immediately upon approval of the Secretary of State, State of Florida.

#### **ARTICLE 17 – AMENDMENT**

The Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision in these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment hereto, or to add any provision to these Articles of Incorporation or to any amendment hereto, in any manner now or hereafter prescribed or permitted by the provisions of any applicable statute of the State of Florida, and all rights conferred upon shareholders in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment hereto are granted subject to this reservation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, acknowledged and filed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation under the laws of the State of Florida, this January 15, 2005.

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Bridget Carter, Incorporator

**ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT DESIGNATED  
IN ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

Karen D Muse, having an address identical with the registered office of the Corporation named above, and having been designated as the Registered Agent in the above and foregoing Articles of Incorporation, is familiar with and accepts the obligations of the position of Registered Agent under the applicable provisions of the Florida Statutes.

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Karen D. Muse

**ARTICLE 18 – MEMBERSHIP**

The Corporation shall have congregation members, and the admission, status and rights of such members shall be governed by the Bylaws of the Corporation. Congregational members shall not be or become members of the Corporation's Board of Directors unless they are elected as Board of Directors, and congregational members shall not vote or otherwise participated in the management or affairs of the Corporation.