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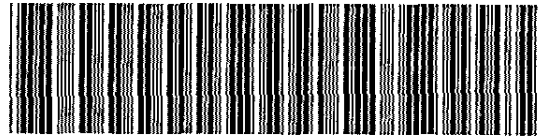
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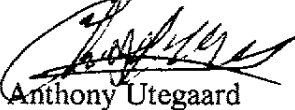
Sir,

We are submitting on behalf of Lightnings Ministries International, Inc. the Articles of Incorporation for consideration as a corporation in Florida. The Articles are in conformance to Florida's requirements, but are submitted on separate pages. Also enclosed is the Filing Fee of \$35.00, and the Designation of Registered Agent Fee of \$35.00 for a total of \$70.00. Please let us know if any other forms or documents are needed to establish this corporation.

Once we receive confirmation from the department, we will be filing with the federal government for an EIN number and for tax-exempt status.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,



Anthony Utegaard

P.S. FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE, WE HAVE ALSO INCLUDED
A COPY OF THE BYLAWS OF LIGHTNINGS MINISTRIES
INTERNATIONAL, INC, AND A COPY OF THE
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETINGS MINUTES, AS WELL AS
A SECOND COPY OF THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION.

SINCERELY,



ANTHONY UTEGAARD 2/14/05

1292 ROSE RD.
CLEARWATER FL 33759

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Glenda E. Hood

Secretary of State

February 23, 2005

ANTHONY UTEGAARD
1292 ROSE RD
CLEARWATER, FL 33759

SUBJECT: LIGHTNINGS MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL, INC.
Ref. Number: W05000009378

We have received your document for LIGHTNINGS MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL, INC., however, upon receipt of your document no check was enclosed. Please send a check or money order payable to the Department of State for \$87.50.

A non profit corporation must have a least three directors. You list only one along with the officers.

Please return the original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6919.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
of
LIGHTNINGS MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL, INC.

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Executed by the undersigned, for the purpose of forming a Florida corporation under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, its period of existence being perpetual, WITHOUT CAPITAL STOCK AND NOT FOR PROFIT, set forth the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE 1

The name of the corporation shall be Lightnings Ministries International, Inc.

ARTICLE 2

The principal office is located in Pinellas County, Florida. The mailing address of the principal office is: Lightnings Ministries International, Inc.
 1292 Rose Rd
 Clearwater, FL 33759

ARTICLE 3

The corporation is organized exclusively for religious, charitable, and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986(or corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law), including, but not limited to, for such purposes, the fulfillment of the Great Commission of Mathew 25:33-46 in the practical outreach ministries of food, clothing, housing, and transportation, to meet the growing needs of poor or underprivileged people, and in Mathew 28:19-20, by starting and networking churches, ministries, other resources, and volunteers in the establishing and maintaining of religious worship, the building, maintaining and operating of churches, schools, training centers, camps, ministry centers, and rescue missions, to propagate the Christian faith as revealed through the Holy Scriptures, to teach believers how to exalt Jesus Christ as Lord and King through their manner of living, to train couples and individuals for team and individual ministry, to conduct marriage and family seminars, and to conduct missionary outreaches throughout the United States and abroad.

ARTICLE 4

The manner in which the directors are appointed is in accordance with its Bylaws which states that Directors shall be made up of men and/or women who are at least 18 years of age, who confess Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior, and are baptized both by

immersion in water and baptized in the Holy Spirit. Board members must believe that the Bible is the inspired Word of God and agree to live according to its tenants and believe and practice the Tenants of Faith and Doctrine as set forth in Article 2 of the corporations Bylaws. Initial Board members are appointed and serve at the desire of other Board members. Subsequent members are approved by a majority vote of the members of the Board.

ARTICLE 5

The names and complete addresses of each of the initial Directors are:

<u>President</u>	Helen F. Utegaard	<u>Vice-president</u>	Anthony L. Utegaard
<u>AND DIRECTOR</u>	1292 Rose Rd.	<u>AND DIRECTOR</u>	1292 Rose Rd.
	Clearwater, FL 33759		Clearwater, FL 33759
<u>SECRETARY</u>	Elias S. Utegaard	<u>DIRECTOR</u>	Lynn P. Fox
DIRECTOR	1292 Rose Rd.	DIRECTOR	29330 County Hwy E
<u>AND DIRECTOR</u>	Clearwater, FL 33759		Mason, WI 54856

ARTICLE 6

The name of the initial registered agent is: Helen F. Utegaard.

The address of the registered agent is: Helen F. Utegaard
1292 Rose Rd
Clearwater, FL 33759

ARTICLE 7

The name an address of incorporator(s) are:

Helen F. Utegaard	1292 Rose Rd.	Clearwater, FL 33759
Anthony L. Utegaard	1292 Rose Rd.	Clearwater, FL 33759

The incorporators of this corporation, have executed these Articles of Incorporation this 11_day of February, 2005.

ARTICLE 8

These articles may be amended in the manner authorized by law at the time of amendment.

ARTICLE 9

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 and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the tax-exempt purposes of the corporation set forth in Article 3.

ARTICLE 10

No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the 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.

ARTICLE 11

The corporation shall have a racially nondiscriminatory policy and therefore shall not discriminate against applicants, students, employees, and others on the basis of race, color, or national or ethnic origin.

ARTICLE 12

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the board of directors shall, after paying or making provision for payment of all the liabilities of the corporation, transfer all assets to a fund, foundation, or organization which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, religious, or educational purposes and at that time qualifies as an organization exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986(or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

ARTICLE 13

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986(or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986(or the corresponding provision of any future United States Revenue Law).

Having been named as 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.

Helen F. Utegaard 2/11/05
Signature/Registered Agent Helen F. Utegaard Date

Helen F. Utegaard 2/11/05
Signature/Incorporator Helen F. Utegaard Date

Anthony L. Utegaard 2/11/05
Signature/Incorporator Anthony L. Utegaard Date

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This document was drafted by: Anthony L. Utegaard
If you need to contact me, my daytime telephone number is: (727) 641 - 1614