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# ARTICLE OF INCORPORATION

In compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (not for Profit)



# **ARTICLE I -NAME**

The name of this Corporation shall be:

# Glory Empowerment Ministry Systems, Inc.

Hereafter referred to as GEMS

This corporation GEMS may do business under other names assigned to ministries by the governing Board of Directors.

# ARTICLE II - PRINCIPLE OFFICE

The principle place of this corporation GEMS and mailing address shall be:

The general office and headquarters of this corporation GEMS-shall be located at 1950 North Point Blvd, Apt. 508 Tallahassee, Florida, 32317, U. S. A. This corporation shall remain at this present location until the President deems it necessary to change its location.

# **ARTICLE THREE: PURPOSES:**

The purpose of GEMS is to fulfill the great commission, given by our Lord Jesus Christ, by promoting His Gospel, by teaching and preaching the Word of God by any and all means, and in all places, consistent with the Articles of Incorporation of this ministry. It is our purpose to propagate the true knowledge of the Christian beliefs and life styles:

To establish and operate a Church (and later, Churches, prayer groups, schools, training centers and other outreach ministries by radio, television or world wide web) and in different locations around the world:

To educate men and women concerning God's Word. In furtherance of this, to own, develop, establish and operate schools, colleges or other institutions for the purpose of training, preparing and educating people for the purpose of human service and teaching and preaching the Word of God, as revealed in the Holy Bible;

To buy, lease, own, possess and sell or manage such properties, both personal and real, and to accept or manage any endowments or gifts as may become necessary through its members or anyone who may become interested in our purpose;

To accept funds, such as free-will offerings, donations, tithing, endowments or any other legitimate manner of transference of property, both personal and real, in common usage in religious realms. These moneys, funds or endowments shall be used for the purposes above set forth and hereinafter provided by the Board of Directors:

To do any and all things deemed by the Board of Directors, to be necessary or proper in the developing or carrying out the general work and purposes of this corporation.

# ARTICLE FOUR: MANNER OF ELECTION

The president and Vice President shall Officers will appoint officers and Board of Directors at scheduled meetings called for that purpose.

# ARTICLE FIVE: INITIAL OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION: 1. PRESIDENT:

The President of the corporation is the presiding elder, the registered agent and the CEO of the corporation. The President's tenure is perpetual, with exceptions outlined in the By Laws of this corporation. The President's qualifications, duties, and powers are, also, outlined in the By Laws of this corporation. The President is the person set into leadership by God as the Senior Minister and or Pastor of this Church. The president of this corporation is Charles Todman 1950 North Point Blvd., Apt. 508 Tallahassee, Florida 32308

# 2. VICE PRESIDENT:

The Vice President is a help to the President. In the absence, or disability or request of the President, the Vice-President is to perform the duties of the President, acting as President. The Vice President is also known as Pastor, Minister and Shepherd of this Church. The vice president of this corporation is Marilyn Todman 1950 North Point Blvd., Apt. 508, Tallahassee, Florida 32308

# 3. SECRETARY:

The Secretary is the person responsible to the President, Vice President and the Board of Directors, for the presentation of management statistics, concerning the corporation and all of its ministries. The Secretary is also known as an elder and shepherd of this Church. The secretary is Marilyn Todman 1950 North Point Blvd., Apt. 508, Tallahassee, Florida 32308

# 4. TREASURER:

The Treasurer is responsible to the President, Vice President and the Board of Directors for the reporting of financial activities, substances and status of this corporation and ministry. The Treasurer is also known as an elder and shepherd of this Church. The treasurer is Charles Todman 1950 North Point Blvd., Apt. 508, Tallahassee, Florida 32308

#### ARTICLE SIX: INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT:

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The registered agent is Charles Todman, President. The address of registered agent is 1950 North Point Blvd., Suite 508, Tallahassee, Florida 32317

# ARTICLE SEVEN: INCORPORATOR:

The incorporator is Marilyn Todman, Vice President. The address of the incorporator is 1950 North Point Blvd., Suite 508, Tallahassee, Florida 32317

# **ARTICLE EIGHT -CORPORATE FINANCE:**

The Board of Directors, except as otherwise provided in these By-Laws, may authorize any officer or agent to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of this corporation, or ministry. Any such authority may be general or confined to a specific instance; and unless so authorized by the Board of Directors, no officer, agent or employee shall have any power or authority to bind this ministry by any contract, or engagement, or to pledge its credit or render it liable, monetarily for any purpose or for any amount.

No officer, trustee, employee or any person connected with this corporation, or ministry, nor any other private individual shall receive at any time any of the net earnings or pecuniary profit from the operation of the corporation, or ministry, or of its church or churches, or ministries; provided that this shall not prevent the payment to any such person, such reasonable compensation for services rendered to or for the corporation, or ministry, in effecting any of its purposes, as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors; and no such person shall be able to share in the distribution of any of its assets upon the dissolution of this corporation, or ministry. It shall be the decision of the Board of Directors, by a majority vote, when and if this corporation, or ministry, shall be dissolved. Upon the dissolution of this corporation, or ministry, all assets remaining in the hands of the Board of Directors, and the officers of the corporation, be paid over and conveyed to charitable religious organizations, which at that time, qualify as such under the provisions of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code and its regulations, as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended.

# ARTICLE NINE: EXEMPT STATUS AND ACTIVITIES:

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these By-Laws, no officer, elder, affiliate, minister or representative of this corporation, or ministry, shall take any action, or carry on any activity, by, or on, behalf of this corporation, or ministry, or any ministry in any way identified with it, not to be taken or carried on by an organization exempt under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code and its regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended, or by an organization, contributions to which are now deductible under Section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, and regulations as they now exist, or as they may hereafter be amended.

# **ARTICLE TEN: MEETINGS:**

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Meetings of the corporate officers, the board of directors and all other meetings will be called by the President, Vice President, or an agent that the President or Vice President may appoint to call a specific meeting at a specific time. No other meetings called by any other person will be deemed as official or legal under these articles and such business of such meetings will not be construed as directives of this corporation, or ministry. The President or Vice President will chair all meetings, unless the President or Vice President desires to yield the chair for any justifiable cause. All meetings will be governed by Robert's Rules of Order, unless otherwise deemed prudent by the Board of Directors to operate in some other manner that is consistent with unity and the spirit of Christian love and behavior, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Minutes of all meetings will be taken by the Secretary and placed into a corporate book designed expressly for that purpose.

# ARTICLE ELEVEN: THE CHURCH:

This ministry is a Church, in the Biblical fashion, and manner. It is the prerogative of this corporation GEMS is to build this church and ministry, for the purpose of worshipping God in whatever means that its Board of Directors deems is Biblical and proper, according to the Statement of Faith of the corporation, or ministry.

# ARTICLE TWELVE: PERSPECTIVE FIELD:

The field of this corporation, or ministry, shall be the United States of America and any foreign lands.

# ARTICLE THIRTEEN: AMENDMENTS TO THIS CONSTITUTION:

This Constitution and By-Laws may be added to or amended, as it becomes necessary, by a majority vote of the Board of Directors, in a meeting called for that purpose.

All changes to the Constitution and By-Laws, to be considered, must be presented to the President and Vice President at least thirty days before the Meeting. This time is necessary for study of the amendment, or change, for avoidance of conflict within this Document and with the vision, given by God, for this ministry to perform.

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 appointment as re	gistered agent and
agree to act in this capacity.		
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