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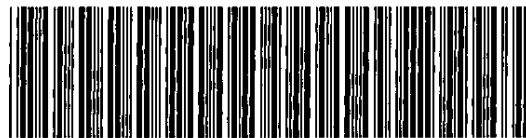
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SUBJECT: Loyal Heart Ministries, Inc.  
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

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FROM: ADRIAN G. SOWD  
Name (Printed or typed)

233 East Bay St. Ste L-3  
Address

Jacksonville, FL 32202  
City, State & Zip

(904) 353-9000  
Daytime Telephone number

**NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.**

# **ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF LOYAL HEART MINISTRIES, INC.**

A Florida, Not-For-Profit Corporation

The undersigned incorporator hereby represents that the Trustees of Loyal Heart Ministries at a regularly called business meeting on or about \_\_\_\_ May, 2006, which was duly called and at which a quorum was present and voting, voted to incorporate under the not-for-profit laws of the State of Florida, pursuant to Section 617, Florida Statutes.

## **ARTICLE I      NAME OF CORPORATION**

The name of the corporation is Loyal Heart Ministries, Inc.

## **ARTICLE II      PRINICPAL OFFICE**

The principal place of business of the corporation is Jacksonville, Florida. The mailing address is P.O. Box 7845 Jacksonville, Florida 32238-7845.

## **ARTICLE III      PURPOSE**

Section 1 - Loyal Heart Ministries, Inc. is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code. Specifically, Loyal Heart Ministries is dedicated to:

- A. Advancing the Kingdom of God through focused and intentional evangelism;
- B. Discipling believers and encourage their growth into a more personal, impactful relationship with God the Father through His Son Jesus Christ;
- C. Providing resources to assist local churches throughout the world in properly training Sunday School teachers to teach Sunday School lessons;
- D. Encouraging men and women in the development of Godly marriages; and
- E. Assisting with and encourage the development of evangelistic Sunday Schools within the local church.

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Section 2 – To that end, this corporation shall be entitled to receive and acquire property by gift or purchase, or in trust; to own, possess or hold property of every description and kind; to sell, mortgage, convey, lease, release and dispose of same; to sue and be sued; to enjoy all rights and privileges belonging to and incident to corporations not for profit; and to in every way, manner and respect, do all things and exercise all powers which a natural person may have, do and exercise.

#### **ARTICLE IV    CORPORATE REVENUE**

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, 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 purposes set forth in Article III hereof. 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. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

#### **ARTICLE V    DISSOLUTION 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 of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction 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 VI    BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS**

Section 1 – Loyal Heart Ministries shall have a Board of Trustees consisting of not more than thirteen (13) members and not less than eight (8) members. All officers designated in Article VIII shall be members of the Board of Trustees. The

Trustees shall serve a term of one (1) year commencing on the first day of January each year and serve for one year or until their respective positions have been filled by duly qualified and duly appointed persons.

Section 2 – The officers of Loyal Heart Ministries shall include the following Chief Executive Officer, President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Trustees. Each officer/trustee shall be duly appointed by the Chief Executive Officer. The Chief Executive Officer shall serve an indefinite term.

## **ARTICLE VII MANNER OF ELECTION OF TRUSTEES**

All Trustees shall be annually appointed by the Chief Executive Officer.

## **ARTICLE VIII – DUTY OF OFFICERS**

Section 1 – The Chief Executive Officer, President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer are to manage the legal affairs of Loyal Heart Ministries. Each shall be appointed by the Pastor and approved by a simple majority of the Board of Trustees.

Section 2 – Chief Executive Officer: The Pastor shall serve as overseer of Loyal Heart Ministries, directing its efforts to reach people for Christ, grow believers, and otherwise accomplish the purposes of Loyal Heart Ministries described in these Articles.

Section 3 – President: The President shall preside at all meetings of the Trustees, execute all legal papers as directed by the Board of Trustees and perform such other duties as provided by these Articles or Bylaws and necessary in fulfillment of the purpose of Loyal Heart Ministries.

Section 4 – Vice President: The Vice President shall act in the absence of the President and execute all legal papers as directed by the Board of Trustees and perform such other duties as provided by these Articles or Bylaws and necessary in fulfillment of the purpose of Loyal Heart Ministries.

Section 5 – Secretary: The Secretary shall keep a true and correct copy of all minutes of the meetings of the corporation, attest and affix the corporate seal to all legal papers of the corporation and shall perform such other duties as may be provided by these Article or Bylaws as amended.

Section 6 – Treasurer: The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all monies in accordance with the Bylaws.

Section 7 – Trustees: The Trustees shall provide that body from which all officers shall be chosen. In the absence of any corporate officer or officers required to conduct legal business on behalf of the corporation, the Trustees shall designate such person or persons which may act pro tempore in his or their stead.

## **ARTICLE IX   PRESENT OFFICERS**

The initial officers of the corporation are as follows:

Rev. James L. Smyrl, Pastor  
125 Wellington Court  
Rocky Mount, N.C. 27803

William M. Cutts, President  
5232 Ortega Glen Drive  
Jacksonville, Florida 32210

Greg Carroll, Co-Vice President  
11166 Woodelm Drive East  
Jacksonville, Florida 32218

Ricky Wallace, Co-Vice President  
9570 Regency Square Blvd.  
Jacksonville, Florida 32225

Martha B. Vanzant, Secretary  
4317 Spoon Hollow Lane  
Jacksonville, FL 32217

Ryan H. Jones, Treasurer  
225 Water Street, 1st Floor  
Jacksonville, FL. 32202

## **ARTICLE X   PRESENT TRUSTEES**

The present Trustees consist of thirteen (13) members:

Rev. James L. Smyrl, Founder  
125 Wellington Court  
Rocky Mount, N.C. 27803

William M. Cutts, President  
5232 Ortega Glen Drive  
Jacksonville, Florida 32210

Greg Carroll, Co-Vice President  
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225 Water Street, 1st Floor  
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Donald D. Fisher, Jr  
3001 Greystone Dr  
Rocky Mount NC 27804

Adrian G. Soud  
233 East Bay Street, Suite L-3  
Jacksonville, Florida 32202

Ginger Soud  
3738 River Hall Drive  
Jacksonville, Florida 32202

Jerry G. Stapp  
15010 Thomas Mill Road East  
Jacksonville, Florida 32218

Albert E. Brice  
240 Iron Horse Road  
Rocky Mount, NC 27804

Matthew F. Lawson  
4207 Towne Lake Heights  
Woodstock, GA 30189

Susan Johnson  
1554 Mountain Lake Drive  
Jacksonville, Florida 32221

## **ARTICLE XI INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS**

The initial registered agent and his street address are as follows:

Adrian G. Soud, Esq.  
The SOUD Law Firm  
233 East Bay Street, Suite L-3  
Jacksonville, Florida 32202

## **ARTICLE XII TERM OF EXISTENCE**

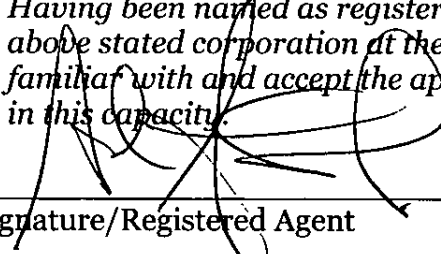
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## **ARTICLE XII INCORPORATOR**


The name of the incorporator and his address are as follows:

Rev. James L. Smyrl  
125 Wellington Court  
Rocky Mount, N.C. 27803

*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.*

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature/Registered Agent

7/2/2006  
Date

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature/Incorporator

7/2/2006  
Date