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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
NORTH TAMPA BAPTIST CHURCH, INC.**

The undersigned incorporator hereby makes, subscribes, acknowledges, and files with the Secretary of State of the State of Florida these Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE I

Name

The name of the corporation shall be:

NORTH TAMPA BAPTIST CHURCH, INC.

ARTICLE II

Principal and Mailing Address

The principal and mailing address of the corporation shall be:

4603 Rue Bordeaux
Lutz, Florida 33558

ARTICLE III

Purposes

(a) The corporation (hereinafter referred to as the "Church") is organized and shall be operated as a church founded on, and governed in accordance with, the following fundamental Christian doctrines:

(1) that the Holy Scriptures, Old Testament and New Testament, as verbally inspired by God, are inerrant in the original text, and the final authority in all matters of life, death, and faith.

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(2) that there is one God who is eternal and exists in three separate, yet equal, persons: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, who make up the Godhead, with all divine attributes residing equally in all three as they are separate yet one, being known as the Trinity.

(3) that man was created in the image of God; that man sinned and in so doing brought not only physical death but spiritual death; that all human beings are born with a sinful nature and are held responsible to God for their sins; that infants and those born mentally incapacitated go to Heaven upon death.

(4) that Satan exists and yet is to be rejected in all forms and works.

(5) that Jesus Christ was and is incarnate God; that Jesus Christ was begotten by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary; that Jesus Christ is fully God and fully man with no mixture of the two natures (the Hypostatic Union).

(6) that Jesus Christ died for the sins of all mankind as a substitutionary sacrifice; that Jesus Christ was resurrected in the body and that He ascended into Heaven; that Jesus Christ now acts as our High Priest, Intercessor and Advocate; that Jesus Christ holds three offices; Priest, Prophet and King.

(7) that whosoever believes and accepts Jesus Christ as Savior is born again and is a new creation; that this salvation is completely by faith; that works take no part whatsoever in the salvation experience; that those who believe in and accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are justified and sanctified at the moment of salvation; that sanctification takes place positionally at the moment of salvation, progressively throughout the believers life and ultimately in the presence of God.

(8) that all people who are born again believers will still sin while they remain on this earth due to the fallen human nature possessed by all men and women; that as long as the sin is confessed there is forgiveness from God through the blood of Jesus Christ; that once an individual is truly born again it is impossible for them to lose their salvation.

(9) that water Baptism and the Lords Supper (the only sacraments of the Church) are reserved for the regenerate Church; that the Lord's Supper is to be observed in remembrance of Jesus Christ; that the ideas of consubstantiation or transubstantiation or water Baptism for infants are to be rejected.

(10) that Angels exist and were created before the earth; that they are spirit beings and are higher creatures than men and are not subject to death; that all angels were created holy until Satan introduced sin.

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(11) that there will be a Rapture of the Church prior to the Tribulation; that this Rapture will be the first resurrection in which the New Testament saints will receive their glorified bodies; that at the end of the Tribulation Jesus Christ will bound Satan for one thousand years and the Millennial Kingdom will begin; that at this moment the second resurrection will take place; that this resurrection will be that of the Old Testament saints; that there will be some who come through the Tribulation, particularly the Jews who are preaching the Word of God; that at the end of the Millennial Kingdom there will be a third resurrection which consists of non-believers; that this is when the Judgment will take place and Satan and all who have rejected Jesus Christ will be thrown into the Lake of Fire for eternity thus ushering in the New Heaven and New Earth where all believers will live eternally in the presence of God.

(b) In governing its activities in accordance with the fundamental doctrines outlined above, the Church may also engage in other educational, charitable and religious activities, and may take any other action which, from time to time, shall be deemed expedient to the Trustees of the Church and which shall further the said purposes and beliefs of the Church.

(c) It shall be within the purposes of the Church to receive and maintain a fund or funds of real or personal property, or both, and subject to the restrictions and limitations hereinafter set forth, to use and apply the whole or any part of the income therefrom and the principal thereof exclusively for the active conduct of its religious, educational, scientific or charitable purposes directly rather than by or through one or more grantee organizations.

(d) No part of the net earnings of the Church shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, any trustee, officer, director or member of the Church, or to any private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the Church affecting one or more of its purposes), and no trustee, officer, director or member of the Church, or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of the Church. No part of the activities of the Church shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Church shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publication or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles of Incorporation, the Church shall not conduct or carry on any activities not permitted to be conducted or carried on by an organization exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any statute of similar import (the "Code"), or the regulations issued thereunder, or by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Code and regulations issued thereunder.

(f) Upon the dissolution of the Church or the winding up of its affairs, the assets of the Church shall be distributed exclusively to charitable, religious, scientific or educational organizations that then would qualify for the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Code and the regulations issued thereunder, and no Trustee, officer, or member of the Church, or private individual, shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any such assets.

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ARTICLE IV

Powers

(a) The Church shall have and exercise all powers necessary or convenient to effect any and all of the religious, educational, scientific and charitable purposes for which the Church is organized.

(b) The Church shall neither have nor exercise any power, nor shall it engage directly or indirectly in any activity, that would invalidate its status:

(1) As a church;

(2) As a corporation that is exempt from federal income taxation as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code; or

(3) As a corporation contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Code.

ARTICLE V

Term of Existence

The term for which the Church is to exist shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE VI

Members

(a) The Church shall have two (2) classes of members: (i) one class consisting of a single Pastoral Member, and (ii) a second class consisting of one or more Congregational Members.

(b) The identity, voting rights, quorum requirements and notice requirements applicable to the Pastoral Member shall be determined as provided in the by-laws of the Church.

(c) The qualifications for admission to membership for Congregational Members, the manner of the admission of Congregational Members, and the relative voting rights, quorum requirements and notice requirements applicable to Congregational Members, shall be determined and/or limited as provided in the by-laws of the Church.

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ARTICLE VII

Registered Agent and Registered Office

The initial registered agent of the Church shall be Christopher J. Cambas, and the initial registered office of the Church shall be 4603 Rue Bordeaux, Lutz, Florida 33558. The Church shall have the right to change such registered agent and registered office as provided by law.

ARTICLE VIII

Incorporation

The name and address of the incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation is:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Christopher J. Cambas	4603 Rue Bordeaux Lutz, Florida 33558

ARTICLE IX

Board of Trustees

The affairs of the Church shall be managed by a Board of Trustees who shall be elected as provided in the by-laws of the Church, and by officers who shall be appointed by the Board of Trustees. The officers to be appointed in such fashion shall be a president, a secretary, and a treasurer, and such other officers as may be provided for in the by-laws of the Church. The duties of the respective officers and the manner of filling vacancies in the offices of the Church shall be as provided in the by-laws.

The number of Trustees and the manner of filling vacancies in the Board of Trustees shall be provided in the by-laws of the Church. The number shall not be less than three (3) nor more than fifteen (15) members, the exact number of Trustees to be fixed from time to time as provided by the bylaws. A quorum for the transaction of business at meetings of the Trustees shall be a majority of the number of Trustees determined from time to time to comprise the Board of Trustees, and the act of a majority of the Trustees present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Trustees. Subject to the bylaws of the Church, meetings of the Trustees may be held within or outside of State of Florida.

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ARTICLE X

Initial Board of Trustees

The initial Board of Trustees of the Church shall consist of the following members, such members to hold office until his or her successor or successors have been duly elected and qualify. The names and street addresses of the initial Trustees are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Christopher J. Cambas	4603 Rue Bordeaux Lutz, Florida 33558
Kenton Brake	15601 Lake Magdalene Boulevard Tampa, Florida 33613
Vivianna Brake	15601 Lake Magdalene Boulevard Tampa, Florida 33613

ARTICLE XI

By-Laws

The by-laws of the Church may be made, altered, amended, or repealed, and new by-laws may be adopted from time to time, by a majority vote of the Board of Trustees of the Church.

ARTICLE XII

Amendment of Articles of Incorporation

These Articles may be amended by resolution adopted by the majority vote of the Board of Trustees of the Church present at any meeting duly called and convened.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation for the uses and purposes therein expressed this 25th day of June, 2007.


CHRISTOPHER J. CAMMAS, Incorporator

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NORTH TAMPA BAPTIST CHURCH, INC.

ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT AS REGISTERED AGENT

The undersigned, having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above-named corporation, at the registered office designated in the Articles of Incorporation, hereby agrees and consents to act in that capacity. The undersigned is familiar with and accepts the duties and obligations of registered agent as prescribed by Sections 617.0501, Florida Statutes.

DATED this 25 day of June, 2007.


CHRISTOPHER J. CAMBAS

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