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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FOR HARVEST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH, INC.**

In Compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (Not for Profit)

**ARTICLE I. NAME**

The name of this corporation shall be HARVEST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH, INC.

**ARTICLE II. PRINCIPAL OFFICE**The principal office and mailing address of this corporation shall be 9040 NW 24<sup>th</sup> Pl, Sunrise, FL 33322, US.**ARTICLE III. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this corporation shall be non-political and shall be exclusively religious, charitable, literary, or educational in nature within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as now enacted or hereafter amended, including for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that also qualify as Section 501(c)(3) exempt organizations.

To this end, this corporation shall purpose to establish and maintain churches for worship of the Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ, His only Son, through the Holy Spirit; for preaching and teaching of the Holy Bible; for Christian fellowship among its members, and to establish and maintain a missionary and evangelistic organization for the propagation of the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ among the people in this country and in foreign lands.

This corporation shall have the right to solicit, receive and maintain funds or properties in the name of this corporation, and use or apply the income or principal thereof, in whole or in part, for the purposes of this corporation.

There shall be no capital stock issued. This corporation is not organized for profit and no member, officer, director, or any private person of this corporation shall derive any benefit whatsoever except that this corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of its purposes set forth here. No director shall have any right, title, or interest in or to any property of this corporation. No member, officer or director of this corporation shall be personally liable for the debts or obligations of this corporation of any nature whatsoever, nor shall any of the property of the members, officers or directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of this corporation.

**ARTICLE IV. BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The management and all affairs of this corporation shall be conducted under the direction of the Board of Directors at all times. They shall adopt and establish the initial bylaws deemed necessary and expedient for the management of its affairs. The bylaws adopted shall not contradict with the articles of incorporation, the Florida Statutes, and the Holy Bible. The Board of Directors shall choose a Chairman and a Vice Chairman from among themselves each year as provided for in the bylaws of this corporation. In no event, shall the number of directors be fewer than four.

The names and addresses of the initial directors who shall serve as directors until their successors shall have been elected or appointed as provided for in the bylaws of this corporation are:

Mr. Varughese M. Chacko	4125 W Whitewater Ave, Weston, FL 33332, US
Mr. Kavoov O. Varughese	711 NW 93 <sup>rd</sup> Terr, Pembroke Pines, FL 33024, US
Mr. Issac Varughese	2051 NW 107 <sup>th</sup> Ave, Sunrise, FL 33322, US
Mr. John Varughese	6327 Taylor St, Hollywood, FL 33024, US

**ARTICLE V. MANNER OF ELECTION OR APPOINTMENT OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The manner of election or appointment and the term of the Board of Directors shall be as provided for in the bylaws of this corporation.

**ARTICLE VI. DISSOLUTION**

In the event of the liquidation or dissolution of this corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary, no member shall be entitled to any distribution or division of its remaining property or its proceeds, and the balance of all money and other property received by this corporation from any source, after the payment of all debts, obligations, liabilities, costs and expenses of this corporation, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all, shall be distributed by the Board of Directors exclusively 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

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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 this 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 VII. REGISTERED AGENT

The name and street address of the Registered Agent of this corporation is:  
Mr. Roy Varughese, 20220 SW 51<sup>st</sup> Ct, Pembroke Pines, FL 33332, US

#### ARTICLE VIII. INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator of this corporation is:  
Mr. Sam George, 9040 NW 24<sup>th</sup> Pl, Sunrise, FL 33322, US.

#### ARTICLE IX. EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

The officers of this corporation shall be the President, Secretary, and Treasurer and shall be elected or appointed as provided for in the bylaws of this corporation. Other executive officers may also be elected or appointed as provided for in the bylaws of this corporation. In no event, shall the number of officers be fewer than three. The term of an executive officer shall be a period of one year and shall begin and end as provided for in the bylaws of this corporation.

The Board of Directors shall appoint, when needed and available, for the spiritual leadership of this corporation and for a term as provided for in the bylaws of this corporation, a Pastor. The Board of Directors shall appoint the Pastor as the President of this corporation annually.

#### ARTICLE X. AFFILIATION

This corporation shall be independent of any Christian denominational administration but will administer and be a governing body, based on these same articles and its bylaws, any church or organization that may be formed by the mission and evangelistic vision and efforts of this corporation. While maintaining its inherent rights to sovereignty in the conduct of its own affairs, this corporation may voluntarily enter into full cooperative fellowship with corporations or church organizations of like tenets of faith as set forth in ARTICLE XI of these articles of incorporation.

#### ARTICLE XI. TENETS OF FAITH

This corporation shall accept the Bible, the Holy Scriptures, as the revealed will of God, the all-sufficient rule for faith and practice, and for the purpose of maintaining general unity, it shall adopt the following Statement of Fundamental Doctrines:

1. The Scriptures Inspired. The Bible consisting of the SIXTY SIX BOOKS is the inspired Word of God, a revelation from God to man, the infallible rule of faith and conduct, and is superior to conscience and reason but not contrary to reason. (Heb. 4:12; 2 Pet. 1:20-21; 2 Tim. 3:15-17)
2. The One True God. The one true God has revealed Himself as the eternally self-existent, self-revealed "I AM" and has further revealed Himself as embodying the principles of the relationship and association of the Trinity, as Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. (Deut. 6: 4; Isaiah 43:10-11; Matt. 28:19; Mark 12: 29; Matt. 3:16-17; John 14:16-17)
3. Man, his Fall and his Redemption. Man was created good and upright, for God said, "Let us make man in Our image, after Our likeness". But man fell by voluntary transgression and his only hope of redemption is in Jesus Christ, the Son of God. (Gen. 1:26-31; 3; 1-7; Rom. 5:12-21)
4. The Salvation of Man.
  - A. Conditions for Salvation. The grace of God, which brings salvation, has appeared to all men through the preaching of repentance towards God and faith towards the Lord Jesus Christ; man is saved by the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Ghost, and being justified by grace through faith, he becomes an heir of God according to the hope of eternal life. (Luke 24:27; Rom. 10:13-15; Titus 2:11, 3:5-7)
  - B. The Evidence of Salvation. The inward evidence to the believer of his salvation is the direct witness of the Holy Spirit (Rom. 8:16). The outward evidence to all men is his life of righteousness and holiness. (Rom. 6:22).
5. Baptism in water. The ordinance of baptism, by a burial with Christ, should be observed as commanded in the Scriptures by all that have really repented and in their hearts, have truly believed in Christ as Savior and Lord. In so doing, they declare to the world that they died with Jesus Christ and that they have also been raised with Him to walk in newness of life. (Matt. 28:19; Acts 10:47; Rom. 6:4)

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6. **The Lord's Supper.** The Lord's Supper, consisting of the elements bread and the fruit of the vine, is a memorial of His suffering and death and a prophecy of His second coming, and is enjoined by all believers who are saved and baptized in water "until He comes", (Luke 22:17-20; 1 Cor. 10:16-17; 1 Cor. 11:23-32)
7. **The Promise of the Father.** All believers are entitled to and should ardently expect and earnestly seek the promise of the Father, the baptism in the Holy Spirit, according to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ. This was the normal experience of all in the early Christian Church. With it comes the endowment of power for life and service and the bestowment of the gifts and their use in the work of the ministry (Luke. 24:49; Acts. 1:4-6; 1 Cor. 12:1-31). This wonderful experience is distinct from and subsequent to the experience of new birth. (Acts. 2:38, 10:44-46, 11:14-16, 15:7-9, 19:2)
8. **The Evidence of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit.** The full consummation of the baptism of believers in the Holy Spirit is evidenced by the initial physical sign of speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance and by the subsequent manifestation of spiritual power in public testimony and service. (Acts 1:8; 2:4, 42, 43; 10:44-46)
9. **Entire Sanctification.** The Scriptures teach a life of holiness without which no man shall see God. By the power of the Holy Ghost, we are able to obey the command "Be ye holy, for I am holy". Entire sanctification is the will of God for all believers and should be earnestly pursued by walking in obedience to the Word of God. (Rom. 8:3-4; 1 Thess. 5:23-24; 1 Pet. 1:15-16; 1 John 2:6; 2 Cor. 7:1)
10. **The Church.** The Church is the body of Christ, the habitation of God through the Spirit, with divine appointments for the fulfillment of the Great Commission. Each believer, born of the Spirit, is an integral part of the General Church and the Church of the first born which are written in heaven. (Eph. 1:22-23; 2:19-22; Heb. 12:23)
11. **The Ministry and Evangelism.** A divinely called and scripturally ordained ministry has been provided by our Lord for a twofold purpose:
  - A. The evangelization of the world, and
  - B. The edifying of the body of Christ (Mark. 16:15-20; Eph. 4:11-13)
12. **Divine Healing.** Deliverance from sickness is provided for in the atonement and is the privilege of all believers. (Isaiah 53:4; Matt. 8:16-17; Mark 16:18-20; James 5:14-16)
13. **The Blessed Hope.** The pre-millennial second coming of Jesus Christ, the resurrection of those who have fallen asleep in Christ and their translation together with those who are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord, is imminent and is the blessed hope of the Church. (Rom. 8:23; 1 Cor. 15:15-21; 1 Thess. 4:16-18; Titus 2:13)
14. **The Millennial Reign of Jesus.** The revelation of the Lord Jesus Christ from heaven, the salvation of all Israel, and the millennial reign of Christ on the earth is the scriptural promise and the world's hope. (Rom. 11:25-27; 2 Thess. 1:7; Rev. 19:11-16; 20:1-7)
15. **The Lake of Fire.** The devil and his angels, the beast and the false prophet, and whosoever's name is not found written in the Book of Life shall be cast into everlasting punishment, into the lake that is burning with fire and brimstone, which is the second death. (Rev. 19:20, 20:10-15)
16. **The New Heaven and the New Earth.** We, "according to His promise, look for a new heaven and a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness". (2 Pet. 3:13, Rev. 21:1)

**ARTICLE XII. ORDINANCES**

1. The ordinance of Baptism by immersion in water (Matthew 28:19) shall be administered to all those who have repented of their sins and who have believed on the Lord Jesus Christ to the saving of their souls, and who give clear evidence of their salvation. (Romans 6:3-5; Colossians 2:12).
2. The ordinance of the Lord's Supper shall be observed regularly as enjoined in the Scriptures. (Luke 22:19, 20; 1 Corinthians 11: 23-26).

**ARTICLE XIII. OTHER MINISTRIES**

1. Infants and children may be dedicated to the Lord upon request. (Mark 10: 13-16; Luke 18:15-16).
2. The sick shall be ministered unto according to Mark 16:18, and James 5:14.

**ARTICLE XIV. MEMBERSHIP**

This corporation shall have the right to enroll and maintain a membership as provided for in the bylaws of this corporation. Any person who gives scriptural evidence of the saving faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, voluntarily subscribes to the Tenets of Faith adopted by this corporation as herein set forth in ARTICLE XI, and agrees to be governed by its bylaws as adopted by this corporation, shall be considered for membership in this corporation. Additional qualifications and the manner of the admission to membership shall be in accordance with the bylaws of this corporation. All initial directors by virtue of their adopting the initial bylaws shall be members of this corporation.

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**ARTICLE XV. VOTING MEMBERSHIP**

All members of this corporation, who are at least 18 years of age and are deemed in good standing in accordance with the duties and standards for members as provided for in the bylaws for this corporation, shall constitute the Voting Membership of this corporation. The voting power of each voting member of this corporation shall be equal.

**ARTICLE XVI. FINANCES**

All funds for the maintenance of this corporation shall be provided by voluntary giving of tithes, contributions and offerings by the members and friends of this corporation. Offerings shall be received, disbursed, and transactions properly recorded by this corporation at such times and in such manner as authorized by the Board of Directors, and shall be administered by the Treasurer under the direction of the Board of Directors and in accordance with the bylaws of this corporation. (Malachi 3:10, Luke 6:38, I Corinthians 16:1-2, II Corinthians 9:6-8).

**ARTICLE XVII. PROPERTY**

This corporation shall have the right to purchase or acquire by gift, bequest or otherwise, either directly or as a trustee, and to own, hold in trust, use, sell, convey, mortgage, lease, or otherwise dispose of any real estate or chattels as may be necessary for the furtherance of its purposes; all in accordance with its bylaws, or as the same may be hereafter modified or amended. All property (real or chattel) shall be taken, held, sold, transferred or conveyed in the name of this corporation. The private property of the members of this corporation shall not be liable for its corporate debts.

No real property of this corporation shall be sold, leased, mortgaged or otherwise alienated without the same having been authorized by at least a two-thirds majority vote of the voting membership in attendance at a regular or special business meeting of this corporation for which due notice of the date, time, place and the proposal is given as set forth in ARTICLE XVIII.

Chattels of the value of \$2000.00 or more shall be subject to the same restrictions as given for real property above. In order to expedite the business of this corporation, the Board of Directors shall have the right to dispose of chattels below the value of \$2000.00, singly or in the aggregate, as they see fit.

The President and the Secretary of this corporation shall certify in such conveyance, lease, or mortgage that the same has been duly authorized by the vote of the voting membership or by the Board of Directors, if applicable. Such certification shall be held to be conclusive evidence thereof. A listing of all chattels above the value of \$100.00 shall be listed and presented by the treasurer at each Annual Business meeting held in the month of January and included in the minutes of that meeting.

**ARTICLE XVIII. MEETINGS**

The Board of Directors shall meet at least twice a year for the routine business and policy of this corporation and upon such other times as it may be deemed necessary. 3 directors in attendance at any scheduled meeting of the board, the date, time, place and agenda of the meeting having been duly announced as provided for in the bylaws of this corporation, shall constitute a quorum. Minutes shall be recorded at any board meeting that has a quorum in attendance but shall not be recorded in the absence of a quorum.

Public worship meetings shall be held each Sunday (the Lord's Day). These shall be the primary worship meetings of the members of this corporation.

Annual Business meetings of this corporation shall be held twice each year during the months of December and January. The election of new officers shall take place during the Annual Business meeting held in December and the reading of all director and officer reports shall take place during the Annual Business meeting held in January.

Special Business meetings of this corporation may be called when necessary by a majority of the Board of Directors provided that due notice of the date, time, place and the agenda including the reason for the meeting, is given as set forth in this article below.

Right of Intimate Business meetings may also be called by a petition having been signed by at least one-third of the voting membership of this corporation, the petition to be submitted to the Board of Directors, who after discussing its advisability shall give due notice of the date, time, place and the agenda including the petition, as set forth in this article below.

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One-third of the voting membership in attendance at any Annual, Special or Right of Initiative Business meeting shall constitute a quorum.

Notices including the date, time, place and agenda for all Annual, Special or Right of Initiative Business meetings shall be announced at, at least, two consecutive regular Sunday services prior to and not including the date of the meeting, and the same posted on the bulletin board where available or mailed first class to each voting member so as to receive the notice at least two Sundays prior to and not including the date of the meeting.

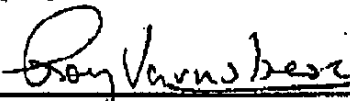
Minutes shall be recorded at any Annual, Special or Right of Initiative Business meeting that has a quorum in attendance but shall not be recorded in the absence of a quorum.

No meeting other than official business meetings shall be called for the discussion of this corporation's business or policy. Members attending or taking part in such unauthorized meeting shall forfeit their voting privileges.

#### ARTICLE XIX. AMENDMENTS.

The Articles of Incorporation are considered to be permanent and may only be changed by filing appropriate Articles of Amendment with the Secretary of State. Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation may be made by a two-thirds majority vote of the voting membership of this corporation who are in attendance at any regular or special business meeting called, for which the proposed amendment is one of the purposes, subject to a quorum being present, and provided that due notice of the date, time, place and the proposed amendment is given at, at least, two consecutive regular Sunday services prior to and not including the date of the meeting, and the same posted on the bulletin board where available or mailed first class to each voting member so as to receive the notice at least two Sundays prior to and not including the date of the meeting.

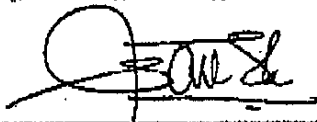
Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.



Signature/Registered Agent

June 11, 2007

Date



Signature/Incorporator

JUNE 11, 2007

Date

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