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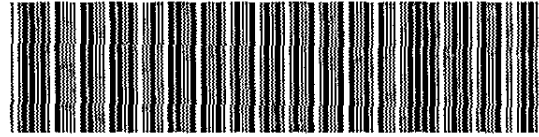
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Division of Corporations
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SUBJECT: Jennings United Methodist Church, Inc.
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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

☒ \$70.00
Filing Fee

☐ \$78.75
Filing Fee &
Certificate of
Status

☐ \$78.75
Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

☐ \$87.50
Filing Fee,
Certified Copy
& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Jennings United Methodist Church/Attn: Jane Griner
Name (Printed or typed)

P.O. Box 13
Address

Jennings, FL 32053
City, State & Zip

386-792-1770
Daytime Telephone number

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

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
JENNINGS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, INC**

The undersigned, all of whom are citizens of the United States, desiring to form a corporation, not for profit, under Chapter 617, *Florida Statutes*, do hereby certify:

FIRST: The name of said corporation shall be Jennings United Methodist Church, Inc.

SECOND: The place where the principal office of the corporation is to be located is 1371 McCall Street Town of Jennings, County of Hamilton, State of Florida. Its mailing address is PO Box 13 Jennings, FL 32053.

THIRD: The purpose or purposes for which the corporation is formed are as more fully set forth in the *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church or as may hereafter, from time to time, be amended including:

(a) The promotion of the Christian religion through the preaching of the Word of God, the administration of the sacraments, ordinances, and other means of grace, the maintenance of worship, the edification of believers, the evangelization of the world, and the promotion of the missionary and benevolence causes.

(b) The promotion of the Christian religion through the preaching of the Word of God, the administration of the sacraments, ordinances, and other means of grace, the maintenance of worship, the edification of believers, the evangelization of the world, and the promotion of the missionary and benevolence causes.

(c) Receiving, holding, and disbursing gifts, bequests, and funds arising from all sources.

(d) Acquiring, owning, and maintaining real estate, buildings, and other property real or personal, incidental, necessary, or proper to carry out said objects.

(e) Doing of any and all things necessary or incident to the accomplishment of such purposes.

FOURTH: The manner in which the directors are elected is annually by church membership

FIFTH: The following persons shall serve as the initial directors of said corporation and shall serve as provided in the *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Billy Blair	P.O. Box/47 Jennings, FL 32053
Eddie Wynn	1642 NW 5 th Street Jennings, FL 32053
Jane Griner	210 SE 8 th Street Jasper, FL 32052
Judy Steedley	5784 SW 61 st Avenue Jasper, FL 32052
Harry Pennington	P.O. Box 87 Jennings, FL 32053

SIXTH: The name and State of Florida street address of the initial registered agent is:

Jane Griner
1371 McCall Street
Jennings, FL 32053

SEVENTH: The names and addresses of the incorporators are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Billy Blair	P.O. Box 47 Jennings, FL 32053
Eddie Wynn	1642 NW 5 th Street Jennings, FL 32053
Jane Griner	210 SE 8 th Street Jasper, FL 32052
Judy Steedley	5784 SW 61 st Avenue Jasper, FL 32052
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EIGHTH: Upon the filing of these Articles of Incorporation of Jennings United Methodist Church association now known as Jennings United Methodist Church, Inc. and the members of such association shall be members of such corporation, and all the rights, privileges, immunities, powers, franchises, authority, property, and obligations of such unincorporated society or association shall thereupon pass to, vest in, and be the rights, privileges, immunities, powers, franchises, authority, property, and obligations of Jennings United Methodist Church, Inc. a corporation not for profit.

NINTH: The corporation shall support the Doctrine of The United Methodist Church and all its property, both real and personal, shall be subject to the *Discipline*, Laws, Usages, and Ministerial appointments of The United Methodist Church as are now or shall be, from time to time, established, made, and declared by the lawful authority of the said church.

TENTH: The Corporation, in conformity with the *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church, shall have the power to receive, acquire, and hold title, in trust or otherwise, to real and personal property, and to improve, encumber, lease, sell, convey, and dispose of all such property.

ELEVENTH: Subject to the provisions of the *Discipline*, the corporation shall have the power to erect and maintain buildings for the worship of God, for training in Christian faith and conduct, and for Christian social inter-Course, and to purchase, lease, and/or rent and otherwise acquire or build and maintain residences for the use and occupancy of its ministers.

TWELFTH: The business of this corporation shall be conducted in conformity with the *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church as the same now exists or as may hereafter- be amended, changed, or modified, and the bylaws of the corporation shall include the *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church and no bylaws shall be adopted inconsistent with the provisions of said *Discipline*.

In addition to the powers and duties granted to this corporation by the *Discipline* or The United Methodist Church, the corporation assumes for itself all the rights, powers, and privileges and immunities which are now, and which may be during the existence thereof be conferred by law upon corporation with a similar character, provided the same are not inconsistent with said *Discipline*. All amendments, bylaws, and regulations of this corporation shall at all times be in conformity with the *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church.

But notwithstanding the above, however, at no time shall any of the amendments, bylaws, or regulations of the corporation be prohibited by or in conflict with the nonprofit corporate laws of the State of Florida.

THIRTEENTH: The members of the corporation shall mean the membership of the corporation and shall be composed of such persons (ministerial and lay) as from time to time shall be defined in accordance with the *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church, and such members thereof shall have only such voting and other rights as now exist or may hereafter be granted by the *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church.

FOURTEENTH: If for any reason the corporation shall be abandoned, discontinued, or cease to exist as a legal entity and its charter shall expire or be terminated, the title to all its property both real and personal shall be vested and be the property of the Florida annual conference of The United Methodist Church, pursuant to said *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church, and if it should not be in existence to any successor United Methodist organization and if none to an organization qualified under § 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto subscribed our names, this 29th day of July, 2007.

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.

Jane Griner
Signature/Registered Agent

7-29-07
Date

SIGNATURE/INCORPORATORS

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Effective as of July 29th, 2007.

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