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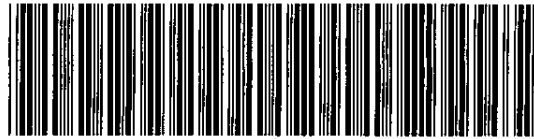
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Department of State
Division of Corporations
P. O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: Lighthouse Baptist Church of Citrus Springs, 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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Filing Fee &
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☐ \$78.75
Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

☐ \$87.50
Filing Fee,
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& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM:

REV. F. JESS BURTON
Name (Printed or typed)
Lighthouse BAPTIST CHURCH.

974 W. G. MARTINELLI BLVD
Address

Citrus Springs, FL 34434
City, State & Zip

352-489-7515 OFFICE.
Daytime Telephone number
352 208 8050 CELL

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

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The undersigned, acting as incorporator(s) of a corporation pursuant to Chapter 617.0202, Florida Statutes, adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE I

Name

The name of the corporation shall be:

Lighthouse Baptist Church of Citrus County, Incorporated

ARTICLE II

The Principal Place of Business and Mailing Address

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be:

974 W. G. Martinelli Blvd, Citrus Springs, Florida, 34434-3232,

ARTICLE III

Purpose

The specific purposes for which the corporation is organized are: To worship and labor together according to the teachings of the New Testament, as set forth in the Articles of Faith and the Florida Baptist Convention, as adopted by the Church. This Church shall have the authority to conduct a New Testament Church in accordance with the Word of God, the Articles of Faith, the Covenant, and the Constitution of this Church. It shall have the right to own, buy, or sell tangible properties, both real and personal, in its own name and through properly elected officers, when authorized by the vote of the Church. The Church shall be independent and autonomous, not subject to any ecclesiastical control whatsoever from any convention, conference, association or council, and has the right to dissolve any group with which it may have become affiliated.

No part of the earnings of the corporation/organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, directors, officers or other private persons, except that the corporation/organization shall authorize to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of Section 501(c)(3) purposes. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation/organization shall be promoting propaganda, or otherwise attention to influence legislation, and the corporation/organization 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/organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (A) by a corporation/ organization exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or corresponding section of any future Federal Tax Code) or (B) by a corporation/organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code (or corresponding section of any future Federal Tax Code).

Upon the dissolution of this corporation/organization or ceasing to be affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention, all debts shall be fully satisfied. None of its assets or holdings shall be divided among the members, or other individuals. The property,

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buildings and all possessions would revert to the Marion Baptist Association and the Florida Baptist Convention in conformity with the requirements within the meaning of Section (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or corresponding section of any future Federal Tax Code).

ARTICLE IV

Manner of Election of Directors

The Government of this Church shall be vested in its membership. Voting privileges shall be extended to members in good and regular standing. The manner in which the Directors are elected will be in accordance with this Church's By-Laws.

By-Laws Article 5, B

All Directors/ Officers (except Pastor) shall be elected annually and normally assume their duties on January 1st of each year that follows their election by the Congregation on the first Sunday of December. The Pastor shall be elected by a 3/4 majority vote of the Congregation.

By-Laws Article 5, I. Term of Office

1. *The Pastor shall serve for an indeterminate time and shall continue as long as is mutually agreeable to him and the Church.*
2. *The balance of the Church Board members shall be elected annually on the first Sunday of December and begin their responsibilities on January 1st.*

ARTICLE V

Initial Directors/Officers

The names, addresses, and titles are:

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| Chairman: | Rev. F. Jess Burton
15364 SW 23 Ct. Rd.
Ocala, FL 34473 |
| Director: | Waldo Bramlett
3559 W. Cypress Drive
Dunnellon, FL 34433 |
| Director: | Richard Johnson
9861 SW 101 Place
Ocala, FL 34481 |
| Secretary/Clerk: | Margaret Nelson
12291 N. Oakleaf Terrace
Dunnellon, FL 34433 |
| Treasurer: | Patricia Dodson
10248 N. Deltona Blvd.
Citrus Springs, FL 34434 |
| Financial Secretary: | Marilyn McCreedy
8718 SW 60 Circle
Ocala, FL 34476 |

ARTICLE VI

Initial Registered Agent and Street Address

The name and the street address of the Registered Agent is:

Rev. F. Jess Burton
974 W. G. Martinelli Blvd
Citrus Springs, Florida 34434-3232.

ARTICLE VIII

Incorporator

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

Margaret Nelson, Secretary/Clerk
12291 N. Oakleaf Terrace
Dunnellon, FL 34433

The undersigned Incorporators have executed these Articles of Incorporation this 4th day of November, 2007.

Rev. F. Jess Burton
Rev. F. Jess Burton Signature/Registered Agent

11/4/2007
Date

Margaret L. Nelson
Margaret Nelson, Signature/Incorporator

11/4/2007
Date