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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Division of Corporations  
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**SUBJECT:** Gary Payne Ministries, Inc.

**FROM:** V. Ross Spano, Esq.  
Christmas & Spano, P.A.  
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Tampa, Florida 33619

For further information concerning this matter, please call V. Ross Spano, Esq. at (813) 514-8194.

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

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SUBJECT: GARY PAYNE MINISTRIES, INC.  
Ref. Number: W07000060839

We have received your document for GARY PAYNE MINISTRIES, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

Section 617.0202(d), Florida Statutes, requires the manner in which directors are elected or appointed be contained in the articles of incorporation or a statement that the method of election of directors is as stated in the bylaws.

An effective date may be added to the Articles of Incorporation if a 2008 date is needed, otherwise the date of receipt will be the file date. A separate article must be added to the Articles of Incorporation for the effective date.

Please return the corrected original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF**

**GARY PAYNE MINISTRIES, INC.**

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In compliance with the requirements of F.S. Chapter 617 (Not for Profit), the undersigned, a majority of whom are citizens of the United States, hereby act as incorporators in adopting and filing the following articles of incorporation for the purpose of organizing a Non-Profit Corporation.

**ARTICLE I**

The name of the Corporation shall be: Gary Payne Ministries, Inc.

**ARTICLE II**

The existence of the Corporation shall begin on: December 15, 2007.

**ARTICLE III**

The street address of the principal office of the Corporation is: 3004 Drakes Landing Court, Valrico, Florida 33596.

**ARTICLE IV**

The Corporation is organized exclusively for religious and charitable purposes, including, through individual and collective efforts, the provision of religious training, consultation, advise, guidance, and education, to churches, families, and individuals, as well as the provision of monetary and other physical support and assistance to churches, families and individuals.

**ARTICLE V**

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its stockholders, officers, directors, or any other affiliated, related, or 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 IV 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 VI**

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 VII**

The initial street address of the Corporation's registered office is: 3004 Drakes Landing Court, Valrico, Florida 33596. The initial registered agent for the Corporation at that address is: Gary Payne.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

The initial charter member of the corporation is:

Name	Address
Gary Payne	3004 Drakes Landing Court Valrico, FL 33596

## **ARTICLE IX**

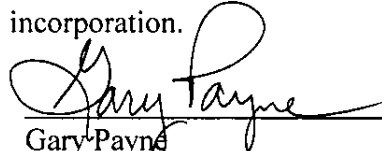
The name and street address of the person signing these articles of incorporation is:

Gary Payne	3004 Drakes Landing Court Valrico, FL 33596
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## **ARTICLE X**

The method or manner of election or appointment of directors shall be stated in the Corporation's Bylaws.

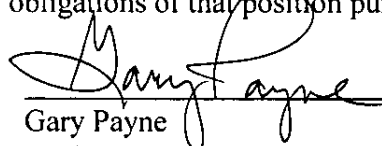
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these articles of incorporation.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Gary Payne  
Incorporator

1-2-08  
Date

#### ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process for Gary Payne Ministries, Inc. at the place designated in the articles of incorporation, the undersigned is familiar with and accepts the obligations of that position pursuant to F.S. 607.0501.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Gary Payne  
Registered Agent

1-2-08  
Date

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