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SUBJECT: Gabriel L	ewis Ministries Inc			
	(PROPOSED CORPORATI	E NAME – <u>MUST INCLU</u>	DE SUFFIX)	
Enclosed is an original a	nd one(1) copy of the Articl	es of Incorporation and	a check for:	
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FROM: Gabriel Lewis Ministries Inc Name (Printed or typed)				
5336 Watervista Dr Address				
Orlando Fl. 32821 City, State & Zip				

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF GABRIEL LEWIS MINISTRIES, INC.

ARTICLE ONE

The name of the corporation shall be **GABRIEL LEWIS MINISTRIES**, INC.

ARTICLE TWO

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be 5336 Watervista Drive, Orlando, FL. 32821.

ARTICLE THREE

The purposes for which this corporation is organized is exclusively for religious purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

No part of the net earning of the corporation shall insure to the benefit, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other 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 its purposes. 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 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 of 1986 or any other corresponding provision of any future Federal Tax Code.

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall after paying or making provisions for the payment of all the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purpose of the corporation, or for one or more other exempt purposes, in such manner, or to one or more organization described in Sections 501 (c) (3) and 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or corresponding provision of any future Federal Tax Code), as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any of such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of appropriate jurisdiction exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

- (a) To disseminate the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the Word of God, to the end that people may be evangelized and believers may be conformed to the image of Jesus Christ (Mark 16:15-16, Isaiah 6:8, Acts 13:47, II Corinthians 5:20); to regularly assemble for fellowship to worship God in Spirit and in truth (Hebrews 10:25) and to cooperate in the building up of the whole body of Christ (Ephesians 2:19-22).
- (b) To provide basic New Testament discipleship to all who are approved for this purpose by the Elders. (Acts 6:7, 11:26, 14:20-23).
- (c) To establish and maintain a ministry to help local churches to provide a place of public worship and prayer in accordance with the directions of the Holy Spirit (I Kings 8:28-29; Psalm 96:9; 122:1, I Corinthians 5:40); to spread the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ through the preaching and teaching of the Bible to bring the unsaved to Christ (Mark 6:15; Romans 1:15-16; I Thessalonians 5:9; II Thessalonians 2:13; II Timothy 3:15), and to build up the saved in Christian grace and living. (Ephesians 4:11-16; Hebrews 3:1-4; I Corinthians 3:9-15) Pursuant thereto, the following activities and guidelines shall be established:
 - 1. A recognized Statement of Faith, Code of Doctrine, discipline and form of Worship shall be established. (Acts 8:37; 15:11, 16:31; Romans 4:20-25, 10:9-11; I Thessalonians 4:14-17; I Peter 1:21).
 - 2. A biblical form of government shall be established. (Exodus 18; Ephesians 4:8-11; I Corinthians 12:27-31).
 - 3. Ordination of ministers upon completion of the prescribed course of Study, designated by this ministry. (I Chronicles 9:22-23; Titus 1:5; I Corinthians 7:17; Acts 14:23).
 - 4. An organization of ministers shall be established to minister to the local congregation of churches. (Colossians 4:17; II Timothy 1:16-18; I Corinthians 16:15; Romans 16:1).
 - 5. Establishment of a covenant fellowship based upon acceptance of and conformity to the belief of the ministry. (Acts 15:41, 16:5).
 - 6. Propagate the Word of the Gospel through seminars, the establishment of Church literature and other forms of mass media for the purpose of educating the individual in the Word of God. (Psalm 96:10; Proverbs 13:17; Mark 13:10; Acts 13:47).
 - 7. Establishment of various religious services pursuant to the recognized Statement of Faith, form of worship, discipline of the church and the establishment of Sunday school and religious schools for Christian and educational instruction of children and adults to exalt the standard of Christian living and the divine leadership of our divine Lord and Master. (Proverbs 8:10; 13:1; Zephaniah 3:7; II Timothy 3:16).
 - 8. Establishment of a Bible Training School or School of Theology for the preparation of ministers, and to ordain ministers and Christian workers to the edification and the unity of the body of Christ. (Psalm 40:9-10; John 14:26; I Peter 4:6).

- (d) To send forth home and foreign missionaries to the spreading of the Gospel and in extending the Gospel of God throughout the world (Mark 16:15-16; Acts 13:47, 4:29-30).
- (e) To print, publish, and distribute and sell books, magazines and other literature in connection with the purposes of this corporation; to sell, record and reproduce tapes, cassette tapes, CD's, videos DVD's, radio, and television programs in connection with the purpose of this corporation to produce and distribute radio and television programs (Deuteronomy 31:19; I Chronicles 16:23-24; Psalm 68:4; Revelation 14:2).
- (f) To help pastors and local church leaders become the vehicle God uses to fulfill the Great Commission found in the book of Matthew Chapter twenty eight and verses nineteen and twenty, that states ...teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you... The local church trains Christians at the grass roots level to become disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ. This fulfills the job description of the five-fold ministry gifts Jesus gave to the church found in the book of Ephesians Chapter four and verse twelve that states, ...equipping the saints for the work of the ministry...
- (g) To evangelize through preaching and teaching at conferences, bible colleges and local congregations, teaching Stewardship Seminars, Local Church Government, Success in Leadership, and principles of Flowing with your Pastor's Vision. To teach insight into pastoral ministry and local church structure.
- (h) To assist churches, pastors and local church leaders by developing local church government with Constitution and Bylaws, Tenets of Faith, Corporation Documents, Leadership Seminars and teaching material in the form of audio cassette tapes, CD's, videos, books and manuals.
- (i) To further all religious and charitable work and for such purposes to adopt and establish ByLaws, rules, regulations in accordance with the law and not inconsistent with this Articles of Incorporation. (Joshua 1:7-8, Habakkuk 2:2-3, Romans 7:12, 10:4).
- (j) To ordain ministers and Christian workers to the edification and the unity of the Body of Christ. (I Chronicles 9:22-23; Titus 1:5; I Corinthians 7:17; Acts 14:23).
- (k) To carry on charitable work for:
 The poor and lost (Leviticus 25:35; Matthew 25:34-40; Galatians 6:10; Mark 14:7) such as:
 Feed the Hungry Soup Kitchen, Food Pantry, Clothes Closet (Matthew 25:35; Psalm 146:7; Luke 3:11, 4:18).

Prison Ministry (Psalm 142:7; I Peter 3:19).

- (I) To establish and maintain a lending and giving of books and tapes for local churches who cannot afford to purchase the same (Psalm 68:11; Mark 14:7; Galatians 6:10; Mark 13:10; I Timothy 6:18; Romans 12:13).
- (m) To establish and raise up satellite ministries, churches and pastors to lead them, auxiliaries, clubs, and societies of a religious nature and to promote and encourage Christian fellowship between its members (Acts 15:41, 16:5).
- (n) To receive tithes, offerings, and property by gift devise or bequest subject to the laws relating to the transfer of property by gift or will. (Acts 4:34-37; II Chronicles 31:3-7; Leviticus 27:30; I Corinthians 16:1-2; Luke 6:38).
- (o) To operate under the name as set forth in Article I above; to adopt and assume names in the furtherance of its nonprofit, tax-exempt purposes (Genesis 17:5, 32:28; Acts 13:9; Matthew 1:23; Revelation 2:17); to exercise such other and incidental powers shall be exercised in a manner consistent with its tax exempt status as a religious organization as set forth in Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended, of the United States of America.

The several clauses contained in the Article shall be constructed both as purposes and powers and powers and the statements contained in each clause, shall except where otherwise expressed, be in no wise limited or restricted by reference to or inference from the terms of any other clauses, but shall be regarded as independent purposes and powers.

ARTICLE FOUR

The manner in which the directors are elected is by the Board of Directors at its annual meeting. At each annual meeting of the Board for the election of Directors shall have the right to vote for as many nominees as there are vacancies on the Board of Directors. Voting for directors shall be by secret ballot, if called for by one or more Board members. A pre-printed ballot shall not be necessary. The officers shall serve until the next annual meeting of the Board of Directors, unless removed earlier in accordance with the ByLaws.

The general officers of the corporation shall be the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

The principal duties of the President shall be to preside at all the meetings of the members of the Board of Directors and to the general supervision of the ministry and corporation. He shall be the Chairman of the Board of Directors.

The principal duties of the Vice-President shall be to discharge the duties of the President in the event of the absence or disability, for any cause whatsoever, of the President.

The principal duties of the Secretary shall be to countersign all deeds, leases, and conveyances executed by the ministry, affix the seal thereto and to such other papers as shall be required to directed to be sealed, and to keep a record of the proceedings of the Board of Directors, and to safely and systematically keep all books, papers, records, and

documents belonging to the corporation, or in any way pertaining to the business thereof, except the books and records incidental to the duties of the Treasurer.

The principal duties of the Treasurer shall be to keep an account of all monies, credits and property of any and every nature of the corporation which shall come into his hands, and to keep an accurate account of all monies received and disbursed and of proper vouchers for monies disbursed and to render such accounts, statements, and inventories and monies received and disbursed and of money and property on hand and generally of all matters pertaining to his office, as shall be required by the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors may provide for the appointment of such additional officers as they may deem for the best interest of the corporation.

Whenever the Board of Directors may so order, any two officers, the duties of which do not conflict, may be held by one person.

The officers shall perform such additional or different duties as shall from time to time be imposed or required by the Board of Directors, or as may be prescribed from time to time by the ByLaws.

Gabriel Lewis, founder of this corporation, shall remain Bishop and President until such time as he would desire to resign as President or Pastor, at which time he shall have the privilege of appointing the next President of the corporation.

ARTICLE FIVE

The corporation shall have a Board of Directors of no less than three (3) and no more than seven (7). The names and addresses of the Directors who shall serve until the first election are:

Gabriel Lewis /PRESIDENT 5336 Watervista Drive Orlando, FL. 32821

Wanda Lewis /VICE PRESIDENT
5336 Watervista Drive
Orlando, FL. 32821

Adrienne Williams /SEC. AND TREASURE 1895 Long Pond Drive Longwood, FL. 32779

ARTICLE SIX

The registered agent shall be Wanda Lewis. The registered office shall be located at 5336 Watervista Drive, Orlando Fl. 32821.

ARTICLE SEVEN

The incorporator of <u>GABRIEL LEWIS MINISTRIES</u>, <u>INC</u>. is Gabriel Lewis and his address is 5336 Watervista Drive, Orlando FL. 32821.

ARTICLE EIGHT

No member of <u>GABRIEL LEWIS MINISTRIES</u>, <u>INC.</u> shall be liable for its debts nor shall any members property be so liable.

ARTICLE NINE

This Corporation shall issue no stock, No part of the net earnings of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, directors, officers or other private persons except that this corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distribution in furtherance of the purposes set forth in theses Articles. No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting, to influence legislation. This corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office, including the publishing or distribution of statements.

ARTICLE TEN

The ByLaws of GABRIEL LEWIS MINISTRIES, INC. shall be adopted and amended by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE ELEVEN

The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to religious and charitable purposes, and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer, or member thereof, or to the benefit of any private individual.

ARTICLE TWELVE

Amendments to this Articles of Incorporation, may be proposed by a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors. After notification to the members of the proposed amendment, such amendment shall be adopted by the Board of Directors by an affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the Directors present and voting at a meeting at which a quorum is present.

I, the undersigned, being the incorporator of this corporation, for the purpose of forming this not-for-profit corporation under the laws of the Florida, have executed these Articles of Incorporation, this 8th day of February, 2008. 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

2 P/2008
Date

2/8/2008
Date

Signature/Incorporator

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