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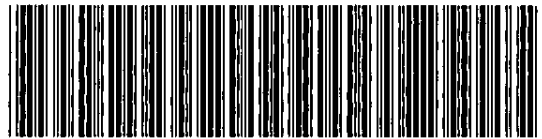
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Department of State
Division of Corporations
P. O. Box 6327
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SUBJECT: Greater Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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: Jacqueline L. Dupree c/o Greater Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church
Name (Printed or typed)

370 N. Deerfield Ave
Address

Deerfield Beach, FL 33441
City, State & Zip

954.426.3375
Daytime Telephone number

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



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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Division of Corporations

February 12, 2008

JACQUELINE L DUPREE
370 NORTH DEERFIELD BEACH AVE
DEERFIELD BEACH, FL 33441

SUBJECT: GREATER BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Ref. Number: W08000007491

We have received your document for GREATER BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH and your check(s) totaling \$70.00. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The name of the corporation must contain a corporate suffix. This suffix may be: CORPORATION, CORP., INCORPORATED, or INC. Sections 617.0401(1)(a) and 617.1506(1), Florida Statutes, prohibits the use of the word COMPANY or CO. in the name of a non-profit corporation.

The name designated in your document is unavailable since it is the same as, or it is not distinguishable from the name of an existing entity.

Please select a new name and make the correction in all appropriate places. One or more major words may be added to make the name distinguishable from the one presently on file.

Adding "of Florida" or "Florida" to the end of a name is not acceptable.

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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SECRETARY OF STATE
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

of

**GREATER BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL
CHURCH OF DEERFIELD BEACH FLORIDA, INC.**

A FLORIDA NON PROFIT CORPORATION

ARTICLE I

Corporate Name

The name of this corporation shall be Greater Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church of Deerfield Beach Florida, Inc. Its principal address shall be 370 North Deerfield Avenue, Deerfield Beach, Florida 33441.

ARTICLE II

Corporate Nature

This is a nonprofit corporation, organized solely for general educational and charitable purposes pursuant to the Florida Corporations Not for Profit law set forth in Section 617 of the Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE III

Duration

The term of existence of the corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE IV

General and Specific

Purpose

The specific and primary purposes for which this corporation is formed are:

- a) For the advancement of education and any other related or corresponding charitable purposes by the distribution of its funds for such purposes.
- b) To provide scholarships to students.
- c) To operate exclusively in any other manner for such educational purposes as will qualify it as an exempt organization under Section 501 © (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, (or the corresponding provision of any other applicable Internal Revenue Law) as amended, or under any corresponding provision of any subsequent federal tax laws, covering the distributions to organizations qualified as tax exempt.

Organizations under the Internal Revenue Code, including private foundations and private operating foundations.

ARTICLE V
Management of Corporate Affairs

- a) Board of Trustees. The power of this corporation shall be exercised, its properties controlled, and its affairs conducted by a Board of Trustees. The number of Trustees of the corporation shall be four (4), however, that number may be changed by a by law duly adopted by the members.

The Trustees named herein as the first Board of Trustees shall hold office until the first meeting of members at which time an election of Trustees shall be held.

Trustees elected at the first annual meeting, and at all times thereafter, shall serve for a term of one (1) year until the annual meeting of members following the election of Trustees and until the qualification of the successors in office. Annual meetings shall be held at 370 N. Deerfield Beach Ave., Deerfield Beach, Florida on 2nd Sunday of July at 1:00 pm or at such other times or places as the Board of Trustees may designate from time to time by resolution.

Any action required or permitted to be taken by the Board of Trustees under any provision of law may be taken without a meeting, if all members of the board shall individually or collectively consent in writing to such action. Such written consent or consents shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the board, and any such action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as if taken by unanimous vote of the Trustees. Any certificate or other document filed under any provision of law which relates to action so taken shall state that the action was taken by unanimous written consent of the Board of Trustees without a meeting, and that the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws of this corporation authorize the Trustees to so act. Such a statement shall be prima facie evidence of such authority.

The names and addresses of such initial members of the Board of Trustees are as follows:

Name:

Address:

Rev. Jacqueline L. Dupree 370 North Deerfield Beach Ave., Deerfield Beach, FL 33441

Annie Grace Edwards 370 North Deerfield Beach Ave, Deerfield Beach, FL 33441

Dorothy Reid 370 North Deerfield Beach Ave., Deerfield Beach, FL 33441

Thomas J. Jones 370 North Deerfield Beach Ave., Deerfield Beach, FL 33441

- b) Corporate Officers. The Board of Trustees shall elect the following officers: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer and such other officers as the bylaws of this corporation may authorize the Trustees to elect from time to time, initially, such officers shall be elected at the first annual meeting of the Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE VI Earnings and Activities of Corporation

- a) No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, 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 the purposes set forth in Article IV hereof.
- b) No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempt 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.
- c) 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 for Federal income tax under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by a corporation contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).
- d) Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation shall not, except to any insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.

ARTICLE VII Distribution of Assets

Upon dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Trustees shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation; dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational religious, or organization or organizations under section 501 © (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Trustees shall determine. Any such

Assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of competent jurisdiction in the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations as such Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE VIII Subscribers

The names and residence address of the Subscribers of this corporation are as follows:

Name:	Address:
Rev. Jacqueline L. Dupree	370 North Deerfield Ave., Deerfield Beach, FL 33441
Annie Grace Edwards	370 North Deerfield Ave., Deerfield Beach, FL 33441
Dorothy Reid	370 North Deerfield Ave., Deerfield Beach, FL 33441
Thomas J. Jones	370 North Deerfield Ave., Deerfield Beach, FL 33441

ARTICLE IX Amendment of Bylaws

Subject to the limitations contained in the Bylaws, and any limitations set forth in the Corporation Not For Profit Law of the State of Florida, concerning corporate action that much be authorized or approved by the trustees of the corporation, Bylaws of this corporation may be made, altered, rescinded, added to, or new Bylaws may be adopted, either by a resolution of the Board of Trustees, or by following the procedure set forth therefore in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE X Declaration of Assets

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

ARTICLE XI Registered Agent and Office

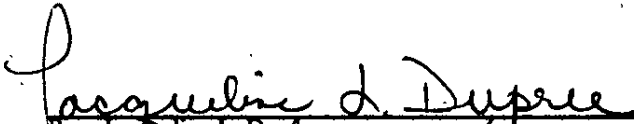



The address of the corporation's registered office shall be 370 North Deerfield Ave.

Deerfield Beach, FL 33441 and the name of its registered agent at said office shall be JACQUELINE L. DUPREE.

ARTICLE XII
Amendment of Articles

Amendments to these Articles of Incorporation may be proposed by a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees and presented to a quorum of members for their vote.

We, the undersigned, being the subscribers and incorporators of this corporation, for the purpose of forming this nonprofit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, have executed these Articles of Incorporation this _____ day of January, 2008.


Rev. Jacqueline L. Dupree

Annie Grace Edwards

Dorothy Reid

Thomas J. Jones

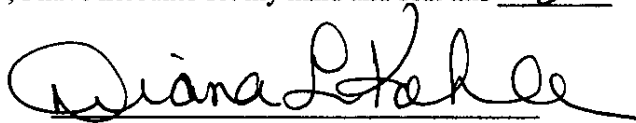
STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF BROWARD

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority personally appeared
Rev. Jacqueline L. Dupree, Annie Grace Edwards,
Dorothy Reid, Thomas J. Jones.

personally known to me or produced identification to be the persons who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation and they acknowledged to and before me that they executed such instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 26th
day January, 2008.

Notary Stamped Seal:


Notary Public

NOTARY PUBLIC-STATE OF FLORIDA
Diana Kohle
Commission # DD484901
Expires: NOV. 20, 2009
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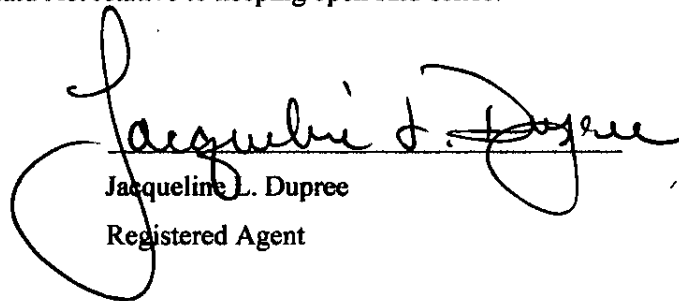
CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICLE FOR
THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE NAMING AGENT UPON
WHOM SERVICE MAYBE SERVED

Pursuant to Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted in
Compliance with said Act.

First: GREATER BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH,
to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office as indicated in the
Articles of Incorporation at Deerfield Beach, FL and Jacqueline L. Dupree, 370 North
Deerfield Ave., Deerfield Beach, FL 33441, as its agent to accept of process with this
State,

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Having been named to accept serviced of process for the above stated corporation,
at place designed in this Certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to
comply with the provisions of said Act relative to keeping open said office.


Jacqueline L. Dupree
Registered Agent