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#### FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Division of Corporations

July 17, 2009

WILLIAM SPAIN 1807 ELLENTON CT VALRICO, FL 33594

SUBJECT: DIVINE WORSHIP HOUSE OF GOD

Ref. Number: W09000032894

We have received your document for DIVINE WORSHIP HOUSE OF GOD and your check(s) totaling \$78.50. 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.

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.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6962.

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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION 09 JUL 30 PM 1: 15

# DIVINE WORSHIP HOUSE OF GOD, INC. SECRETARY OF STATE.

The undersigned hereby make, subscribe and acknowledge these Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a not for profit corporation under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes and to that end do hereby set forth the following:

#### **ARTICLE I: NAME**

The name of the corporation shall be:

Divine Worship House of God, Inc.

#### ARTICLE II: PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business of the corporation shall be: 3403 North 34th Street Tampa, Fl 33610

The mailing address of the business shall be:

1807 Ellington Ct Valrico, Fl 33594

#### ARTICLE III: TERM

The corporation shall have perpetual existence and shall be formally affiliated with its mother Church, THE HOUSE OF GOD, the Holy Church of the Living God, the Pillar and Ground of the Truth, the House of Prayer for All People, Inc. Lexington, Kentucky

#### ARTICLE IV: PURPOSE

This corporation is organized as a church exclusively for charitable, religious and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501©3 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Revenue Law) including but not limited to:

- a) establish a spiritual association that will uplift and inspire the consciousness of its members, students and the interested public at large.
- b) conduct for religious worship and instruction, churches, schools, pastoriums and other institutions connected therewith of a religious, educational, charitable and benevolent character to the end that its own members and others may be generally instructed and guided.
- c) study, teach and exemplify the doctrines of Divine Worship House of God, especially the teachings of Jesus Christ and to present Christianity in its modern setting.
- d) study and practice spiritual healing as set forth in the Bible.
- e) establish other churches in due course of time; to exalt duly qualified Ministers, teachers and counselors as they fulfill periods of instruction, give evidence of qualification and are found to be worthy.
- f) establish and distribute lessons, discoursed and other educational material in pursuance of the above objectives.
- g) make a worthy contribution of the spiritual, religious, cultural and educational life of all geographical locations in which the Church or its members are active.
- h) aid and assist under-privileged children and teach child evangelism.

#### ARTICLE V: CORPORATE POWERS

This corporation shall have all the corporate powers set forth under the provisions of the 1969 Florida Statutes as they now exist and as they may be amended from time to time including the power to raise and expend funds for the carrying out of the purpose of this corporation including mail solicitation, advertising campaigns in any of the media, fund-raising by personal solicitation and otherwise; the borrowing of money, pledging of property as security (other than said property: 3403 N. 34<sup>th</sup> Street, Tampa, Florida), the right to own personal property and real property in this State or any other State or Country; the power to sign and enter into contracts and all other legal instruments; and the right to sell any of its property at any time (other than said property: 3403 N. 34<sup>th</sup> Street, Tampa, Fl), upon such terms as the corporation deems desirable.

#### ARTICLE VI: MEMBERSHIP/OWNERSHIP

The membership of the corporation shall consist of individuals who are interested in the study and application of the nature and objectives of Divine Worship House of God. Individuals may be admitted upon the expressing of a desire to join and a willingness to abide by the doctrine and bylaws that are adopted.

#### ARTICLE VII: INITIAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND/OR OFFICERS

The initial board of Trustees and/or Officers of the corporation with their specific titles are as follows:

Other members of the Board of Trustees shall be appointed as necessary and hold office as well as serve in accordance with the bylaws. The Total number of trustees of the corporation shall not be less than (5) five nor more than (9) nine.

#### ARTICLE VIII: MANAGEMENT OF CHURCH AFFAIRS

The officers of the corporation by which the affairs of the Church shall be managed are: Pastor, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Secretary, Treasurer, and Trustee Board. Elections of all officers shall be held in accordance with the bylaws. Salaries of all • employees shall be determined by the Board of Trustees and the Senior Pastor

Articles of Incorporation for Divine Worship House of God, Inc.

#### ARTICLE IX: ADMENDMENTS

The Articles of Incorporation of this corporation may be proposed by a majority vote of the Board of Trustees at any meeting and shall be adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the active members in good standing present at any meeting provided that the purpose of the meeting and the amendments to the Articles of Incorporation to be voted on have been plainly stated in the notice of the meeting mailed to the membership at least seven (7) days prior to the time of such meeting.

#### **ARTICLE X: BYLAWS**

Subject to any limitations set forth in the laws of Florida, the corporation's bylaws shall be made, altered or rescinded by two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the active members in good standing present at any meeting provided that the purpose of the meeting and the change in the bylaws to be voted on has been plainly stated in the notice of the membership at least seven (7) days prior to the time of such meeting.

#### ARTICLE XI: DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS

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 Four hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. 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 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 XII: DISSOLUTION**

Upon dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501©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

## ARTICLE XIII: DEFENSE AND INDEMNIFICATION/EXEMPTION OF TRUSTEES AND/OFFICERS

The corporation shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless every registered agent, trustee or officer and his or her heirs, personal representatives and administrators against liability and against expenses reasonably incurred by him or her in connection with any action, suit or proceeding to which he or she may be made a party by reason of his or her having been a trustee or officer of the corporation, except in relation to matters as to which he or she shall be finally adjudged in such action, suit or proceeding to be liable for willful misconduct. The private property of the trustees, officers and employees of this corporation shall be forever exempt from corporate debts and liabilities.

## ARTICLE XIV: INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The name and Florida Street address of the registered agent is:

William Spain 1807 Ellenton Ct Valrico, Fl 33594

#### ARTICLE XV: SUBSCRIBERS/AND INCORPORATORS

The names and addresses of the subscribers and/or incorporators to these Articles are:

**Pastor** Hercules Gilmore Haroles Hilm ne 4645 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Av S

St. Petersburg, Fl. 33711

Secretary

Katie Q. Harrison

1411 Harness Horse Ln #103

Brandon, Fl 33511

Chairman Board of Trustees n Ct 3594 Filder Robert Amora

William Spain Willen 1807 Ellenton Ct

Valrico, Fl 33594

Treasurer

Robert Amora 18310 Bridle Club Dr

Tampa, Fl 33647

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the subscriber(s) of this Corporation, for the purpose of forming this nonprofit charitable corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, have executed these Articles of Incorporation on this  $1/\mathcal{D}$  day of  $\mathcal{I}_{UL}$ , 2009.



, Subscriber/Incorporator

#### ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certification, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.