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September 30, 2009

Secretary of State Division of Corporations Corporate Filings P. O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

RE: Church of Christ of Newberry, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed, please find the original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation for the above-referenced non-profit corporation, as well as a check in the amount of \$78.75 in payment of the following fees:

Filing Fee	\$ 35.00
Certificate Designating Registered Agent	35.00
Certified Copy of Articles of Incorporation	<u>8.75</u>
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Total \$78.75

After filing the original Articles of Incorporation, please certify the enclosed copy of the Articles of Incorporation and return said copy to me.

Sincerely,

CLAY MARTIN, CHARTERED

Kindra A. McGehee

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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF CHURCH OF CHRIST OF NEWBERRY, INC. A FLORIDA NONPROFIT CORPORATION

# ARTICLE ONE. NAME

The name of this corporation is Church of Christ of Newberry, Inc.

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# ARTICLE TWO. STATEMENT OF CORPORATE NATURE

This is a nonprofit corporation organized solely for general charitable purposes pursuant to the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act set forth in Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes.

# ARTICLE THREE. GENERAL AND SPECIFIC PURPOSES

- (a) The specific and primary purposes for which this corporation is formed are to further the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, to provide a place of worship, to minister to the spiritual needs of its attendees and the community, for other charitable purposes, and by the distribution of its funds for such purposes.
- (b) The general purposes for which this corporation is formed are to operate exclusively for such educational purposes as will qualify it as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations which qualify as tax-exempt organizations under that Code.
- (c) This corporation shall not, as a substantial part of its activities, carry on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation; nor shall it participate or intervene (by publication or distribution of any statements or otherwise) in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

# ARTICLE FOUR. TERM

This corporation shall have a perpetual existence.

# **ARTICLE FIVE. TRUSTEES AS MEMBERSHIP**

- (a) **Trustees as Membership**. The sole class of membership of this corporation shall be its trustees. The Trustees may create additional classes of membership.
- (b) Rights and Liabilities of Members. The members of this corporation shall have no right, title or interest whatsoever in its income, property or assets, nor shall any portion of such income, property or assets be distributed to any member on the dissolution or winding up of this corporation. Members of this corporation shall not be personally liable for the debts, liabilities or obligations of the corporation and shall not be subject to any assessment.

# **ARTICLE SIX. SUBSCRIBERS**

The names and residence addresses of the subscribers of this corporation are as follows:

James R. Hodge

3824 SW 282 St.

Newberry, FL 32669

Frank S. Beazlie Jr.

905 SW 101<sup>st</sup> St

Gainesville, FL 32607

Jason Hodge

3906 SW 282<sup>nd</sup> St

Newberry, FL 32669

John Paul Beasley

6640 NE 25<sup>th</sup> St

High Springs, FL 32643

Bruce C. Martin

15427 W. Newberry Rd.

Newberry, FL 32669

Michael Roberts

921 SE Grassland Terrance

Lake City, FL 32024

Jimmie R. Hines

19918 SW 46 Ave

Newberry, FL 32669

Lawrence E. Pahman Jr.

P.O. Box 34

Newbery, FL 32669

Larry Aneil Langford

6029 N.W. 22 Ct

Bell, FL 32619

Dennis E. Swilley

P.O. Box 1291

High Springs, FL 32643

# ARTICLE SEVEN. LOCATION OF PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND IDENTIFICATION OF REGISTERED AGENT

- (a) The physical address of the principal office of the corporation is 25045 West Newberry Road, Newberry, Florida 32669. The mailing address of the principal office of the corporation is P.O. Box 636, Newberry, Florida 32669.
- (b) The name and address of this corporation's registered agent is Jimmie R. Hines, 19918 SW 46<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Newberry, Florida 32669.

# ARTICLE EIGHT. BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

**Election of Trustees.** The number of trustees shall not be less than 3 nor more than 12. The trustees designated as class 1 trustees and named herein as members of the first board of trustees shall hold office

until the first meeting of the board of trustees to be held on October 1, 2010, at such time as the board of trustees shall designate, or at such other date and time as the board of trustees shall designate, at the offices of the Corporation at which time the election of class 1 trustees shall be held. Annual meetings of the board of trustees shall be held prior to October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year at the principal office of the corporation or at such other place or places as the board of trustees may designate from time to time. The trustees designated as class 2 trustees and named herein as members of the first board of trustees shall hold office until the meeting of the board of trustees to be held on October 1, 2011, at such time as the board of trustees shall designate, or at such other date and time as the board of trustees shall designate, at the offices of the Corporation at which time the election of class 2 trustees shall be held.

Each of the twelve trustee positions shall be designated by a seat number, and a trustee, when elected, shall be elected to a designated seat. The trustees shall be divided as equally as the total number of trustees will permit into two (2) classes, and each seat shall be designated as belonging to the class set forth below. Trustees who are a member of Class "1" shall serve until the annual election of trustees in 2010, and trustees that are a member of Class "2" shall serve until the annual election of trustees in 2011, as set forth in the foregoing paragraph. At each succeeding annual election of trustees, the trustees elected to succeed those whose terms have expired shall serve until the annual election of trustees which takes place in the second year following their election. If the number of elected trustees has changed, any increase or decrease in the number of elected trustees, and therefore vacant seats and occupied seats, shall be apportioned among the classes so as to make all classes as nearly equal in number as possible.

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 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 first members of the board of trustees and their classes are as follows:

<u>Seat</u>	<u>Trustee</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Class</u>
1	James R. Hodge	3824 SW 282 St. Newberry, FL 32669	1
2	Frank S. Beazlie Jr.	905 SW 101 <sup>st</sup> St Gainesville, FL 32607	1
3	Jason Hodge <sub>.</sub>	3906 SW 282 <sup>nd</sup> St Newberry, FL 32669	1
4	John Paul Beasley	6640 NE 25 <sup>th</sup> St High Springs, FL 32643	1
5	Bruce C. Martin	15427 W. Newberry Rd. Newberry, FL 32669	1
6	VACANT		1

7	Michael Roberts	921 SE Grassiand Terrance Lake City, FL 32024	2
8	Jimmie R. Hines	19918 SW 46 Ave Newberry, FL 32669	2
9	Lawrence E. Pahman Jr.	P.O. Box 34 Newbery, FL 32669	2
10	Larry Aneil Langford	6029 N.W. 22 Ct Bell, FL 32619	2
11	Dennis E. Swilley	P.O. Box 1291 High Springs, FL 32643	2
12	VACANT		2

**Qualification of Trustees.** Trustees shall be male and shall be regular attendees of the church services of the corporation.

**Corporate Officers**. The board of trustees shall elect the following officers: chairman, vice-chairman, and secretary/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. Until such election is held, the following persons shall serve as corporate officers:

	Office
John Paul Beasley	Chairman
Jimmie R. Hines	Vice-Chairman
Frank S. Beazlie, Jr.	Secretary/Treasurer

# ARTICLE NINE. BYLAWS

Subject to the limitations contained in the bylaws, and any limitations set forth in the Corporations Not for Profit law of Florida, concerning corporate action that must be authorized or approved by the members 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 therefor in the bylaws.

# ARTICLE TEN. DEDICATION OF ASSETS

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

or to the benefit of any private individual.

R. Hodge

# **ARTICLE ELEVEN. DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS**

Upon the dissolution or winding up of this corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of the corporation, shall be distributed to a nonprofit fund, foundation, or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for educational purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under Section 50l(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.

# ARTICLE TWELVE. DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME AND PROHIBITED TRANSACTIONS

- (a) **Distribution of Income.** The corporation shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax law.
- (b) Self Dealing. The corporation shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax law.
- (c) Excess Business Holdings. The corporation shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- (d) Investments Jeopardizing Charitable Purpose. The corporation shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject it to tax under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- (e) **Taxable Expenditures**. The corporation shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax law.

# ARTICLE THIRTEEN. AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES

Amendments to these articles of incorporation may be purposed by a resolution adopted by the board of trustees and presented to a quorum of members for their vote. Amendments may be adopted by the vote of two-thirds of a quorum of members of the corporation.

We, the undersigned, being the incorporators of this corporation, and including all the persons herein named as the subscribers of this corporation, for the purpose of forming this nonprofit charitable corporation under the Laws of Florida have executed these Articles of Incorporation on the 30th day of September, 2009.

Bruce C. Martin

Frank S. Beazlie Jr.

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# **ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT**

The undersigned hereby accepts the appointment as Registered Agent of CHURCH OF CHRIST OF NEWBERRY, INC., which is contained in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation.

DATED this 30th day of September 2009.

JIMIMIE R. HINES
Registered Agent

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