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Jan. 11, 2010

Department of State
Division of Corporation
Corporate Filings
P.O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, Florida 32314

**RE: Pastors With A Purpose Incorporated** 

To Whom It May Concern:

Please find enclosed the original and (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation for Pastors With A Purpose Incorporated and check in the amount of \$78.75 for filing fees and certificate of status.. A name check has been completed and it appears to be available as of this date. Please submit our documents and check for processing. If you have any questions please feel free to call me at the above referenced number.

Sincerely,

**Rev. Eric Cummings** 

# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF PASTORS WITH A PURPOSE, INCORPORATED

A Corporation not for Profit

We, the undersigned, for the purpose of forming a Corporation not for profit under the Laws of the State of Florida, Florida Statutes 617, hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

#### ARTICLE I - NAME

The Name of the Corporation is Pastors With A Purpose, Incorporated - a corporation not for profit:

# ARTICLE II. Principal Address

The principal place of business and mailing address of corporation is 48 Pecan Drive Pass, Ocala, Florida 34472

# **ARTICLE III - PURPOSE**

A. The Purpose for which this Corporation is formed is:

To fellowship with pastors, ministers, and other clergy, gather together for the sole purpose of helping the communities, sharing resources and gifts to enhance the ministries or programs we have charge over, thereby giving our congregations and ministries the necessary to go out into the world and make disciples of Jesus Christ; in Ocala and its environs.

- B. To accomplish the foregoing purpose, the corporation shall carry out the following activities:
- 1. Organization, promotion and participation in activities involving feeding the poor, clothing the needed, and religiously educating the communities, saving the lost in the communities and abroad...
- 2. Provision of a forum in which pastors may review and discuss developments in their respective churches and surrounding communities..
- 3. Provision of assistance in every possible way with the education of school students in religious subjects.
- 4. Provision of a point of reference for information and expertise in the several facets of Religion, Theology and Christian Education..
- 5. Recognizing and rewarding outstanding achievements in Religious, Theology, Christian Education in Ocala and its environs.
- 6. Any other activity consistent with the foregoing and with the purpose of the Corporation, subject to the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) and 107(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code and its Regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended.
- C. The vision of Pastors With a Purpose is to fulfill the great commission of Jesus Christ,

as stated in Matt. 28:19-20 "Go ye therefore and 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, and lo I am with you always, even until the end of the world". Pastors with a Purpose seek to serve this present age, and fulfill the charge that God has birthed and ordained in us.

#### **ARTICLE IV - MEMBERS**

The first Members of the Corporation shall be the persons subscribing to these Articles of Incorporation. Membership in the Corporation shall be open and granted to all pastors exercising an interest in aiding the churches and communities, in such capacities and categories, and in such manner and on such terms, as may be determined by Bylaws.

1. Membership is any pastor, past or present who believes in the death, burial and resurrection and ascension of Jesus Christ and the Trinity, Father, Son and the Holy Spirit as one.

#### **ARTICLE V - TERM**

This Corporation shall have perpetual existence.

#### ARTICLE VI - SUBSCRIBERS

The names of the subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation are:

- 1. Rev. Melvin Cotton, Jr.
- 2. Rev. Josephus Bynum
- 3. Rev. D. J. Berry
- 4. Rev. Eric Cummings
- 5. Rev. Tommie Fountain
- 6. Rev. Demetrius Franklin
- 7. Rev. Frankie McClendon
- 8. Rev. Scottie McConico
- 9. Rev. Hubert Naylor
- 10. Rev. Jason Sims
- 11. Rev. Nathan Sommons
- 12. Rev. Christopher Stokes
- 13.Rev. Terence Pollard

14.

These subscribers shall form the initial Directors of the Corporation.

#### **ARTICLE VII - OFFICERS**

The affairs of the Corporation are to be managed by the following Officers ( according to bylaws.)

#### President

#### One or more Vice Presidents

#### Secretary

### Treasurer

and such other Officers as may be provided for in the Bylaws. Officers shall be elected by the members at the **Annual** General Meeting of the Corporation, and shall serve until their successors are elected.

The names of the Initial Officers of the Corporation, who are voted in by the members of the corporation are to serve until the first election of Officers under these Articles. The initial officers are:

President - Rev. Melvin Cotton, Jr.

Vice President - Rev. Josephus Bynum

Secretary - Rev. Eric Cummings

Treasurer - Rev. Nathan Sommons

#### **ARTICLE VII - DIRECTORS**

The number of Directors of the Corporation may be varied from time to time as provided for in the Bylaws, but at no time shall it be less than four

The names and addresses of the initial Directors of the Corporation are:

Rev. Melvin Cotton, Jr...

Rev. Josephus Bynum

Rev. Eric Cummings

Rev. Nathan Sommons

#### ARTICLE VIII - REGISTERED ADDRESS AND AGENT

The initial address of the Registered Agent of the Corporation shall be: c/o Rev. Eric Cummings
48 Pecan Drive Pass
Ocala, Florida, 34472

#### ARTICLE IX - SEAL

The Corporation shall adopt a Corporate Seal meeting the requirements of governing Law.

# **ARTICLE X - BYLAWS**

The initial Bylaws of the Corporation shall be adopted by the Board of Directors and members of the corporation. The Bylaws may be amended from time to time in the manner provided for therein.

# ARTICLE XI - INDEMNITIES

The liability of the Corporation's Officers, Directors, Employees and Agents is limited.

The Corporation shall have the power to fully indemnify its Officers, Directors, Employees and Agents as provided for in Florida Statutes Chapter 607. The determination regarding indemnity, as required by these Statutes, shall be made by the Directors and members per bylaws.

# ARTICLE XII - DISSOLUTION OF THE CORPORATION

In the event that this Corporation shall be dissolved and its affairs brought to a close, the assets of the Corporation shall be distributed exclusively to such charitable, or educational organization which would at that time qualify under the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and its Regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended, as the Directors in their complete discretion at the time of such dissolution shall determine.

# ARTICLE XIII- Name and address of Incorporator

The name and address of the incorporator is Rev. Melvin Cotton, Jr. 5284 SE 34<sup>th</sup> St., Ocala, Florida, 34480.

# ARTICLE XIV- AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by a *two-thirds majority vote* of the members present, (once minimum of 6 (six) quorum is met) and voting at any meeting, provided that notice of the proposed action was included in the notice of the meeting not less than one month before the meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the undersigned, have executed and acknowledged these Articles of Incorporation for Pastors With a Purpose, Incorporated, this 9th day of January, 2010

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 of Registered Agent - Eric Cumming

Date

Incorporator- Melvin Cotton, Jr.

Signature of Incorporator- Melvin Cotton Ir

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