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## COVER LETTER

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**SUBJECT:** Great, Great, Great Deliverance Ministries, Incorporated  
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

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**FROM:** Joyce K. Stone  
Name (Printed or typed)

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Address

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City, State & Zip

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
Of  
Great, Great, Great Deliverance Ministries, INCORPORATED**  
**In compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (A Florida Nonprofit Corporation)**

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**ARTICLE I. NAME**

The name of the corporation shall be: GREAT, GREAT, GREAT DELIVERANCE MINISTRIES, INCORPORATED.

**ARTICLE II. ADDRESS**

The principal place of business and office of the corporations shall be:  
1463 Spearing Street, Jacksonville, Florida, 32206, with the privilege of establishing Churches at other places within or without the State of Florida.

**ARTICLE III. PURPOSE**

**Section 1. Scriptural.** The purpose of this corporation as a local body of Christ shall be for the dissemination of the teachings of the Holy Bible; to glorify God Through worship; to develop growth and fellowship in the Lord Jesus Christ; to communicate the gospel to the world; to expand the body of Christ through the planting of additional local bodies and other functions as directed under the inspiration and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

**Section 2. Legal.** The corporation shall be incorporated as a not for profit religious organization under the laws of the State of Florida and organized within the meaning of Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding sections of any future Internal Revenue Code.

#### **ARTICLE IV. CORPORATE POWERS**

**Section 1. Legal.** The corporate powers of the organization are as provided in the Florida Statutes except to the extent such powers are limited by the following provisions.

- a. No part of the net earnings of this organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, officers, or other private persons, except the organization 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 Articles III of the Articles of Incorporations.
- b. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization 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 this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501 ( C )3 of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

**Section 2. Scriptural.** This corporation shall have all of the powers granted by law to non-profit corporations and churches to carry out any of the business, objects and purposes herein enumerated, either within or without the State of Florida. The recitation of the stated particular powers shall not be deemed to possessed by the corporation, but shall be deemed in addition to all other lawful powers not inconsistent with them and shall be conferred upon this corporation by the Statues of Florida.

**Section 3. Validity.** Any power attempted to be conferred by the articles of incorporation, which is in conflict with a governing statue, is void.

## **ARTICLE V. DOCTRINAL STATEMENT OF FAITH**

The Church accepts the Scriptures as the revealed Will of God, the all sufficient rule of faith and practice, and for the purpose of maintaining general unity, adopts this Doctrinal Statement of Faith:

**Section 1. *The Bible.*** We believe the Holy Bible, both Old and New Testament is the verbally inspired word of God and revelation of God to man; the infallible, authoritative and final authority of faith and guide of every believer. The Bible is the inspired Word of God, the holy men of old who spoke and wrote as they were moved by the Holy Spirit. (2 Timothy 3:15-17; I Thessalonians 2:13; 2 Peter 1:21)

**Section 2. *The One True Godhead.*** Our God is the one true God, but manifested in three persons- the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, all being co-equal. Jesus Christ, who is God manifested in the flesh, is the second person of the Godhead, co-equal and co-eternal with the Father and the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit, the third person of the Godhead, proceeds forth from both the Father and the Son is eternal. They are co-eternal and co-equal as to nature, attributes, and perfection. (Deuteronomy 4:35; Deuteronomy 6:4; Isaiah 45 :5-6; James 2:19; Psalms 90:2; John 1:1; Isaiah 48:16-17; Matthew 3:16-17; 28:19; 2 Corinthians 13:14; I John 2:1; Genesis 1:1-2; John 1:1)

**Section 3. *Man, His Fall and Redemption.*** We believe that the immaterial part of man was created in the image of God but the first man, Adam, willfully sinned and fell from God's grace. In Adam, all men have inherited a sinful nature and all Men have sinned and have incurred spiritual death, which is separation from God. Thus all men now are alienated from God and remain totally unable to redeem themselves. Those who reach moral responsibility are held accountable for their sinfulness in thought, word, and deed. Through Jesus Christ, God created man all that has come into being (man, animals and the universe did not evolve) (Genesis 1:26-27; Genesis 2:17; Psalms 51:5; Romans 3:23; 5:12; 6:23; 7:17-25;

Ephesians 2:1-3; Romans 2:1-15; James 2:10; Genesis 1:1-2; Psalms 139:15-16; Colossians 1:16).

#### **Section 4. The Salvation of Man.**

**(a) *Man's only hope of redemption is through the shed blood of Jesus***

**Christ.** Jesus Christ was on the cross bearing our sin and sickness providing both salvation and divine healing for all mankind (Psalm 103:3), being justified freely by His Grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus. For by grace we are saved through faith. "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart –that is, the word of faith which we preach, that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved; for with the heart man believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation" (Romans 3:24; Ephesians 2:8; Romans 10:8-10).

**(b) *The Evidence of Salvation.*** The inward evidence to the believer of his salvation, is the direct witness of the Spirit (Romans 8:16). The outward evidence to all men is a life of righteousness and true holiness. " And this is His commandment that we believe in the name of His Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, just as He commanded us" ( I John 3:23).

**(c) *Faith and Works.*** Salvation is by faith in Jesus Christ and not by human works; however, our works will determine the rewards in eternity (Romans 10:9-10 and 2 Corinthians 5:10).

**Section 5. Water Baptism.** Baptism in water is by immersion, is a direct commandment of Our Lord, and is for believers only. The ordinance is a symbol of the Christian's identification with Christ in His death, burial, and resurrection (Matthew 28:19; Romans 6:4; Colossians 2:12; Acts 8:36-39).

**Section 6. Sanctification.** The Bible teaches that without holiness no man see the Lord. We believe in the Doctrine of Sanctification as a definite, yet progressive work of grace, commencing at the time of regeneration and continuing until the Consummation of salvation at Christ's return (Hebrew 12:14; I Thessalonians 5:23; 2 Peter 3:18; 2 Corinthians 3:18; I Corinthians 1:30).

**Section 7. The Lord's Supper.** We believe in the Lord's Supper, consisting of the elements-bread and the fruit of the vine –is the symbol expressing our sharing the divine nature of our Lord Jesus Christ; a memorial of His suffering and death; and a prophecy of His second coming; and is enjoined on all believers "till he comes!" (Corinthians 11:24-25, 28).

**Section 8. Spiritual Gifts.** We believe that God gave unto men spiritual gifts (the word of wisdom; the word of knowledge; the gift of faith; the gifts of healing; the working of miracles; the gift of dividing them severally as He will (I Corinthians 12:1-11).

**Section 9. The Baptism in the Holy Spirit.** All believers are entitled to, and should eagerly expect and earnestly seek, the Baptism in the Holy Spirit and fire. This gift is from God as promised by the Lord Jesus Christ to all believers in this dispensation and is received subsequent to the new birth, this experience is accompanied by evidences such as speaking in other tongues as the Holy Spirit Himself gives utterance, boldness, and so on. (Matthew 3:11; John 14:16, 17; Acts 1:8; Acts 19:1-7; Acts 2:4).

**Section 10. The Church.** The Church is the body of Christ, the dwelling of God through the Spirit, with divine appointments for the fulfillment of her commission. Each Believer, born of the Spirit, is an integral part of the general assembly and church of the first born, which are written in Heaven (Ephesians 1:22; 2:19-22; Hebrews 12:23).

**Section 11. Total Prosperity.**

(a) Spiritual. John 3:3; 2 Corinthians 5:17; Romans 10:9-10.

- (b) Mental. 2 Timothy 1:7; Romans 12:2; Isaiah 16:3.
- (c) Physical. Isaiah 53:4-5; Matthew 8:17; I Peter 2:24.
- (d) Financial. 3 John 1:2; Malachi 3:10-11; Luke 6:38; 2 Corinthians 9:6-10.
- (e) Social. Proverbs 3:4; Luke 2:52

**Section 12. *Resurrection of the Just and Return of Our Lord Blessed Hope.***

The angel said, "This same Jesus shall so come in like manner." His coming is imminent. When He comes, "...the dead in Christ shall rise first, and then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air..." The resurrection of those who fallen asleep in Christ and have fallen asleep in Christ and their translation together with those who are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord is the imminent and blessed hope of the church (I Thessalonians 4:16-17; 2 Thessalonians 2:1; I Corinthians 15:51-52).

**Section 13. *Hell and Eternal Judgment.*** The one who physically dies in his sins without accepting Christ is hopelessly and eternally lost in the Lake of Fire and, therefore, has no further opportunity of hearing the Gospel or repenting. The Lake of Fire is literal. The terms "eternal and everlasting" used in describing the duration of the punishment of the damned in the Lakes of Fire, carry the same meaning and thought of endless existence as used in denoting the duration of joy and fervor of saints in the presence of God. (Hebrews 9:27; Revelation 19:20).

**Section 14. *The Millennial Reign of Jesus.*** We believe in the return of our Lord Jesus Christ with His saints from Heaven to rule and reign for one thousand years on earth as the Scriptures promised (Romans 11:25, 27; 2 Thessalonians 1:7; Revelation 19:11-16; 20:1-7). After this there shall be a new heaven and new earth. (Revelation 21).

**Section 15. *The substitutionary death of Jesus Christ.*** We believe that Jesus Christ, perfect and without sin, died as a substitutionary sacrifice on the cross bearing punishment for all the sins of the entire world, past, present and future (2 Corinthians



5:21; I Peter 1:18-19; 2:22; 3:18; I John 3:5; Romans 3:23-26; 5:6-8; I Corinthians 15:14-21; I Timothy 2:5-6; I John 2:2).

**Section 16. *The Deity of Jesus Christ.*** We believe that the Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God, became man without ceasing to be God, having been conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, lived a sinless life, did not possess a sinful nature (Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:18; Luke 1:34-35; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Hebrews 4:15; 7:26; I John 1: 1-3, 14; Philippians 2:5-7; Hebrews 2:17).

**Section 17. *Resurrection of Jesus Christ.*** We believe that the physical body of Jesus Christ was resurrected and ascended into heaven where He is our Advocate and High Priest. (John 20:26-27; Corinthians 15:3-8; Luke 24:50-52; Acts 1:9-11; I Peter 3:21-22; Romans 8:34, Hebrews 7:24-25, 8:1, I John 2:1).

**Section 18. *Responsibility of the believers.*** It is God's will that every believer should grow in grace and in the knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ by the regular and frequent intake of Bible Doctrine. Every believer has been called with a holy calling to walk not after the flesh but after the spirit, and so to live in the spirit that they should not fulfill the lust of the flesh; but the flesh being still in us to the end of the earthly life needs to be kept constantly in subjection to Christ, or it will surely manifest itself to dishonor His name. (John 17:14-17; Matthew 4:4; Ephesians 4:11-16; 2 Peter 3:18; Romans 8:12-13; 13:14; Galatians 5:16-25; Ephesians 4:22-24; 5:18; Colossians 3:1-10).

**Section 19. *Satan.*** We believe that Satan is a created being who exists in reality and personality. He is the enemy of God and of believers. He is the head of fallen angels. (Job 1:6-7; Matthew 4:2-11; 25:41; Acts 5:3; I Peter 5:8; Revelations 12:7-10).

**Section 20. *The Holy Spirit.*** We believe that the Holy Spirit is God. He is a distinct person of the Godhead who convicts the world of sin, righteousness and judgment; regenerates those who believe; baptizes them into the body of Christ; indwells all believers of the present age; seals them unto the day of redemption; is the

only source of power for acceptable worship and service; is the infallible interpreter of Holy Scripture; is ever present to testify concerning Jesus Christ. It should be the desire of every believer to be controlled by the Holy Spirit. (John 14:16-17; 16:7-11; I John 5:7; John 3:5-6; Titus 3:4-5; Ephesians 5:18; I Peter 1:10-12; Romans 8:26-27; Galatians 5:16-25; John 14:26; I Corinthians 12:12, 13; Ephesians 4:30; Romans 8:9-11; John 16:12-15; I Corinthians 2:9-16; 2 Corinthians 2:9-16).

**Section 21. The Church.** We believe that the Church Universal, which is the Body and Bride of Christ, includes the whole company of believers from Pentecost to the Rapture and that Jesus Christ is the Head and the Bridegroom. We believe that the local church is any autonomous body of believers in Christ, in one geographical location, united in the Spirit, who congregate together for instruction in the Word of God, prayer, observance of the Lord's Supper, and observance of the ordinance of baptism by immersion. We believe that the mission of the Church is to glorify God and to present Jesus Christ to the world. (John 15:15-16; I Corinthians 10:31; 2 Corinthians 11:2; Ephesians 1:22-23; Philippians 2:15-16; I Corinthians 1:2; 11:23-29; Matthew 3:13-16; Colossians 1:24; Acts 20:7).

## **ARTICLE VI. MANNER OF ELECTION**

The Directors of GREAT, GREAT, GREAT DELIVERANCE MINISTRIES, INCORPORATED shall serve as the Board of Trustees. The manner in which the directors or trustees of the corporation shall be elected or appointed shall be governed by the provisions of the specified in the By-laws of the corporation. The corporation shall be a sovereign body, and the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation shall be governed by the provisions of the By-laws of the corporation.

## **ARTICLE VII. INITIAL DIRECTORS AND/OR OFFICERS**

**Section 1. Officers and Directors.** The name and address of each individual who shall serve as a member of the initial Board of Trustees are:

Joyce K. Stone, 1063 Montego Bay Drive South, Jacksonville, Florida 32218 (President)  
Melvin Kellogg, 1915 Tilden Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32206 (Vice-President)  
Debra Watson, 4909 Tennessee Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32208 (Secretary)  
Henrietta Anderson, 3107 Nolan Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32254 (Treasurer)  
Charles Lang, Sr., 3078 Dignan Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32254 (Member)  
Dametra Britton, 6811 Pearl Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32206 (Member)  
Curtis Walker, 1216 East 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32206 (Member)

**Section 2. Successorship of the President/Pastor.** In the event of death, incapacity, an illness which confines, spiritual disqualification, or other resignation occurs in the office of the President/Pastor.

(a) **Interim.** The Board of Trustees will vote and appoint an Interim Pastor until such time as:

1. He resigns, spiritually disqualifies himself (as defined by the Holy Bible); Dies; or
2. The Pastor/President of this corporation  
appoints a spiritually qualified Elder of the Church \* as directed by the Holy Spirit) to serve in such capacity.

**Section 3. Indemnification of Officers.** The officers, directors, of this corporation shall be indemnified as outlined within the bylaws of this corporation.

**Section 4. Duration.** The officers of this corporation shall be appointed for a term as outlined in the By-Laws of this corporation.

**Section 5. Officers.** The officers shall consist of a president, a vice president, a secretary, and a treasurer. This corporation may have such other officers as may be provided in the corporate Bylaws. The Board of Trustees shall elect officers. The manner of the election of the officers shall be specified in the corporate Bylaws. The officers named herein comprising the initial officers shall hold office until the election of officers at the first Board of Trustees' meeting.

The names of the initial officers are:

<u>Officers</u>	<u>Name</u>
President	Joyce K. Stone
Vice President	Melvin Kellogg
Secretary	Debra Watson
Treasurer	Henrietta Anderson
Member	Dametra Britton
Member	Charles Lang, Sr.
Member	Curtis Walker

## **ARTICLE VIII. MEMBERSHIP**

**Section 1. Classes of Members.** The membership of the Church shall be divided into two classes of membership which are Board of Trustees (voting members); and Congregational (non-voting members).

**Section 2. Qualifications.** Any person interested in becoming a member of the congregation of Great, Great, Great Deliverance Ministries, Incorporated shall submit a written and signed application of the Church, which acceptance shall be unreasonably withheld. Any person interested in becoming a Board of Trustees or a member in the

congregation of Great, Great, Great Deliverance Ministries, Incorporated shall qualify for membership if:

1. He/She accepts the teachings and the Doctrinal Statement of Faith of this Church;
2. Consents/Agrees to be governed in church affiliation by the Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, and any amendments thereto, of this church; and
3. Recognizes and accepts the authority of the Pastor/ President in this Church.
4. Attend an eight (8) week new member's class.

**Section 3. Resignation.** Any member of the congregation who wishes to voluntary resign may do so by filing a written notice of resignation to the secretary.

**Section 4. Discipline.**

- (a) The President/Pastor acting alone may, after allowing due process for correction, suspend or expel a member (voting or non-voting) of the congregation for a cause or other matter involving severe spiritual deviation in conflict with the teachings of the Holy Bible and/or the Church doctrinal Statement of Faith.
- (b) A member (voting or non-voting) may also be involuntary suspended or expelled from membership, after allowing due process for correction by an affirmative vote of all the Board members for a cause or other matter involving severe spiritual deviation in conflict with the teachings of the Holy Bible and/or the Church Doctrinal Statement of Faith.

#### **ARTICLE IX. PRINCIPAL OFFICE & REGISTERED OFFICE & AGENT**

The address of this incorporation's principal office and the address of this corporation's initial registered agent shall be:

**1463 Spearing Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32206**

The name of the individual who shall serve as the corporation's initial registered agent at that address is:

**Joyce K. Stone**

#### **ARTICLE X. DISSOLUTION**

Upon dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 (C) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code, or 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 disposed of shall be disposed of by the county courts in which the principal office of the corporation is then located. The receiving organization(s) shall operate exclusively for the same purposes.

#### **ARTICLE XI. CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY (Adopted 2011)**

Any possible conflict of interest on the part of any member of the Board, officer, or employee of Great, Great, Great Deliverance Ministries, Incorporated shall be disclosed in writing to the Board and made a matter of record through an annual procedure and also when the interest involves a specific issue before the Board. All transactions will require a 2/3 vote of the disinterested Board members. The minutes of the meeting shall reflect that a disclosure was made, the abstention from voting and the actual vote itself. Any new member of the Board will be advised of this policy upon

entering the duties of his or her office, and shall sign a statement acknowledging, understanding of an agreement to this policy.

## **ARTICLE XII. BYLAWS**

Corporate Bylaws will be hereafter adopted by the Board of Trustees. The Corporate Bylaws may be amended or repealed in whole or in part, by the Board of Trustees in the manner provided therein. Any amendments to the corporate Bylaws shall be binding.

## **ARTICLE XIII. INCORPORATORS**

The name and address of the incorporator of this corporation is:

Joyce K. Stone, 1463 Spearing Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32206

## **ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENTS**


The corporation reserves the rights to amend, alter, change, or repeal any provision contained in this certificate of incorporation, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by law, and all rights and powers conferred on trustees (directors) and officers are subject to this reserved power.

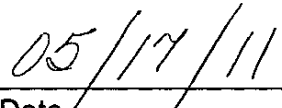
**ARTICLE XV. EFFECTIVE DATE**

The undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this day 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2011.

  
Joyce K. Stone

The undersigned, constituting this corporation's designated registered agent and this corporation's incorporator, for the purpose of forming this nonprofit corporation under the laws of Florida, have executed these Articles of Incorporation, and dates indicated next to their signatures.

  
Incorporator

  
Date

I hereby accept my designation as registered agent and agree to serve as the registered agent of GREAT, GREAT, GREAT DELIVERANCE MINISTRIES, INCORPORATED. I hereby state that I am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as registered agent for GREAT, GREAT, and GREAT DELIVERANCE MINISTRIES, INCORPORATED.

  
Joyce K. Stone, Registered Agent



CERTIFIED COPY OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INCORPORATION

OF

GREAT, GREAT, GREAT DELIVERANCE MINISTRIES, INCORPORATED

I, Debra Watson, Secretary of Great, Great, Great Deliverance Ministries, Incorporated, an incorporation organization consisting of members over the age of eighteen, do hereby certify the following resolution was ratified by a majority of the Board of Trustees at a meeting held on the 17<sup>th</sup> of May 2011.

Be it resolved that Joyce K. Stone is authorized to make application to the Secretary of the State of Florida for a charter of Incorporation under the state laws of Florida as a religious non-profit corporation for the purpose, as listed in the Articles of Incorporation.

Be it further resolved that said person be, and thus hereby are authorized to act as Incorporator of said Corporation, and are further authorized, directed and empowered to do any and all things which may be necessary and proper to obtain such charter and, as Incorporators thereof, is organize and manage the day to day operations of said organization.

Witness my signature, this 17 day of May, 2011



Debra Watson  
Great, Great, Great Deliverance Ministries, Incorporated

State of FLORIDA

County of DUVAL

On May 19, 2011 the individual who shall serve as this corporation's initial registered agent, personally appeared before me, acknowledged accepting the designation as the corporation's registered agent, and signed and acknowledged signing these Articles of Incorporation of **GREAT, GREAT, GREAT DELIVERANCE MINISTRIES, INCORPORATED** and the individual designated above as the subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation personally appeared before me and signed acknowledged signing these Articles of Incorporation of **GREAT, GREAT, GREAT DELIVERANCE MINISTRIES, INCORPORATED**.

Registered Agent:

Soyce Stone  
Print Name

Soyce Stone  
Signature

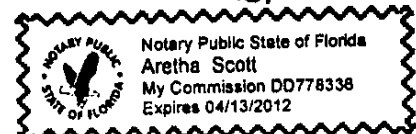
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Date

Aretha Scott

Notary Public

Commission Expiration Date: **April 13, 2012**

May 19, 2011



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