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Department of State
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SUBJECT: GRACE HOUSE OF WORSHIP, INC. (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 \$78.75 \$78.75 \$87.50 Filing Fee Filing Fee & Filing Fee Filing Fee, Certificate of & Certified Copy Certified Copy & Certificate Status ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED FROM: Robert Grayson 5337 N. Socrum Loop Rd Ste. 237 Lakeland, FL 33809 City, State & Zip 863-559-2886 Daytime Telephone number

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

E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF GRACE HOUSE OF WORSHIP, INC.

(A Florida Not for Profit Corporation)

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The undersigned, pursuant to the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act, Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, being qualified to act as an incorporator, states as follows:

- 1. Name. The name of the Corporation, referred to in these Articles as ("Corporation") is:

 GRACE HOUSE OF WORSHIP, INC.
- 2. **Registered Office**. The street address of the Corporation's initial registered office is 5337 N. Socrum Loop Rd. Ste. # 237 Lakeland, FL 33809.
- 3. Registered Agent. The name of the Corporation's registered agent at the Registered Office is Robert L. Grayson, Jr. who is both a resident of the State of Florida and an initial director of the Corporation. The street address of the registered agent's business office is 5337 N. Socrum Loop Rd. Ste. # 237 Lakeland, FL 33809 which also is the address of the Corporation's registered office.
- 4. <u>Incorporator</u>. The name and complete address of the incorporator is Robert L. Grayson, Jr., 5132 Lake Deeson Woods Ct, Lakeland, FL 33805.
- 5. **No Members.** The Corporation shall have no members.
- 6. **Principal Office.** The principal place of business and the mailing address of the corporation in Florida is 5337 N. Socrum Loop Rd. Ste. # 237 Lakeland, FL 33809.
- 7. Not for Profit. The corporation is not for profit, and is organized pursuant to the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act.

- 8. <u>Purposes</u>. The Corporation is organized exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, including for such purposes the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and more specifically to provide services to, and assist in the development of, the community in which the Corporation is situated.
- 9. **Powers.** As a means of accomplishing the purposes for which it is organized, the Corporation shall have the rights and powers now or later conferred upon nonstock corporations under Florida law, and the Corporation may do any and all things hereinabove set forth, and all things usual, necessary or proper in furtherance of or incidental to the purposes of the Corporation, provided that:
- (a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the Corporation shall only conduct or carry on activities permitted to be conducted or carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and by an organization contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- (b) The Corporation shall neither have nor exercise any power, nor shall it directly or indirectly engage in any activity, that would (i) prevent it from obtaining exemption from federal income taxation as a corporation described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, (ii) prevent it from obtaining the status of a corporation contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or (iii) cause it to lose such exemption or status.
- (c) The Corporation shall not be operated for the primary purpose of carrying on a trade or business for profit.
- (d) No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its directors, 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 its purposes.
- (e) Except as may be permitted from time to time under Section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code, no substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation; and the Corporation shall not in any manner participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements), any political campaign on behalf of or opposition to any candidate for public office; and the Corporation shall not engage in any activities that are unlawful under applicable federal, state, or local laws.

10. <u>Directors</u>. There shall be no fewer than three (3) members of the Board of Directors. The bylaws may provide that the directors be divided into classes for terms of office which may expire at different times. From and after this date, until changed by the Board of Directors, the members of the Board of Directors are:

Robert L. Grayson, Jr. Cheryl B. Grayson Shelly Jean Harris President Vice President Secretary/Treasurer 5132 Lake Deeson Woods Ct 5132 Lake Deeson Woods Ct 8003 Sugar Pine Blvd Lakeland, FL 33805 Lakeland, FL 33805 Lakeland, FL 33810 Richard Varnes Helen Ruth Campbell 4050 Indigo Drive 6888 Shadow Cast Lane Pensacola, FL 32507 Lakeland, FL 33813

- 11. <u>Election of Directors</u>. Members of the Board of Directors other than the initial directors named in these Articles shall be elected by a majority vote of the existing Directors, and may be re-elected without regard to any term limits.
- 12. **Dissolution.** Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, its assets shall be distributed to one or more religious, charitable, scientific, literary or educational organizations (i) that are not for profit, (ii) that qualify as organizations exempt from federal income tax under the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, (iii) that qualify as organizations to which contributions deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code can be made, and (iv) that, if practical, are engaged in affairs substantially similar to those of the Corporation.
- 13. Amendments. The provisions of these Articles of Incorporation are subject to amendment as provided under the laws of the State of Florida; provided that no provision shall be changed, Grace House of Worship

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modified or repealed in such a manner as to be inconsistent with the objects and purposes for which this corporation is formed.

14. <u>Internal Revenue Code and Regulations</u>. All references in these Articles of Incorporation to the Internal Revenue Code shall include the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as it now exists, future amendments to the sections cited, and corresponding sections of future laws, together with all valid regulations thereunder.

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in these Articles, I am familiar with the obligations of, and accept the appointment as, registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

Dated <u>04-12 -</u> ,2012

Robert L. Grayson, Jr.

REGISTERED AGENT

I submit this document and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that any false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in s.817.155, F.S.

Dated: 04 - 12 - 2012

Robert L. Grayson, Jr.

INCORPORATOR

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