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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Division of Corporations

March 22, 2013

MARIA OSSO 6584 E PARK LANE LAKE WORTH, FL 33449

SUBJECT: ARK COVENANT MINISTRIES, INC.

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We have received your document for ARK COVENANT MINISTRIES, INC and your check(s) totaling \$96.25. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The name designated in your document is unavailable since it is the same as, or it is not distinguishable from the name of a voluntarily dissolved business entity. The name of a voluntarily dissolved business entity is not available for the assumption or use by another entity until 120 days after the effective date of dissolution unless the dissolved business entity provides the Department of State with an affidavit or letter, stating that they have no intention of revoking the dissolution, therefore, releasing the name for use to another entity.

The document number of the name conflict is N02000000780 ARK OF THE COVENANT MINISTRIES, INC.

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Enclosed is an original a	nd one (1) copy of the Ar	ticles of Incorporation and	a check for :	1
\$70.00 Filing Fee	\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status	□\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certified Copy	\$87.50 + 8 Filing Fee, Certified Copy & Certificate	75 = #96.25 To include 2 Certified copies of
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FROM:

Maria Brusco Dsso
Name (Printed or typed)

Last Fast Park Lane
Address

Last Worth, FL 33449
City, State & Zip

G54-294-8178

Daytime Telephone number

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

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

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Articles of Incorporation Of ARK COVENANT MINSTRIES, INC.

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We, the undersigned, residents and citizens of the United States of America, of full age and majority, and being desirous of forming a Non Profit Corporation for Christian religious, charitable, educational purposes under the provisions of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, Nonprofit Corporation Act, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

ARTICLE I CORPORATE NAME and OFFICE

The name of this corporation is Ark Covenant Ministries, Inc.

The location of the office and the mailing address of the ministry is 6584 East Park Lane, Lake Worth, FL 33449

ARTICLE II

The period of duration of this corporation is perpetual, unless dissolved according to law. Corporate existence shall commence upon the filing of these Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE III REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

3.1 The registered agent of the corporation shall be Maria Brusco Osso M.B.S. who fully understands the duties of that office and agrees to receive notice and service for the Corporation. The registered Office of the Corporation shall be 6584 East Park Lane, Lake Worth, FL 33449

Maria Brusco Osso

Date

ARTICLE IV PURPOSES

- 4.1 The corporation is organized and operated exclusively for religious purposes as within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, with focus on furthering the education of the Christian Community spiritually with training and teaching in the Word of God, and increasing the understanding of God's written Bible. More specifically, these purposes shall include but not be limited to:
 - a) training communities through instruction, seminars, programs and meetings with emphasis on Biblical principles untainted by worldly influence.
 - b) offering in-depth programs to train and equip people for the work of ministry, and for
 - c) building and supporting the Church and the communities.
 - d) promoting knowledge and unity, via outreach ministry that teaches, supports, and encourages through education, training, meetings, and programs to strengthen and empower individuals and communities.
 - e) providing a teaching curriculum that presents truth as found in Scripture.
 - f) Godly instruction that will equip people to discern between faith, world philosophies and science.
 - g) provision of a loving and caring environment geared towards nurturing a person's potential as a servant of God and of their community.
 - h) ordination as a shepherd of God's people.

To engage in any and all activities and pursuits, and to support or assist such other organizations, as may be reasonably related to the foregoing and following purposes.

To engage in any and all other lawful purposes, activities and pursuits, which are substantially similar to the foregoing and which are or may hereafter be authorized by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and are consistent with those powers described in the State of Florida, Nonprofit Corporation Association Act, as amended and supplemented.

To solicit and receive contributions:

To receive personal property, to make contracts, to invest corporate funds, to spend corporate funds for corporate purposes, and to engage in any activity "in furtherance of, incidental to, or connected with any of the other purposes."

To take, purchase or otherwise acquire to own, hold, occupy, improve, develop and work; to grant, sell, exchange, let, demise, or otherwise dispose of real estate, buildings, and improvements and every right, interest, estate therein without limit as to the amount thereof and where so ever the same may be situated; to erect, construct, alter and repair buildings; to assume any and every kind of contract, agreement, obligation by or with a person, firm, corporation, or association, or any Federal, State, or other government for the erection, construction, alteration, repair, renewal, equipment, improvement, development, use, leasing, management or control of any buildings, improvements or structures of any kind wherever the same may be situated.

- 4.2 The corporation shall have the power to conduct activities and engage in transactions incidental to the accomplishment of the above purposes, including the power to accept contributions, subject to the following limitations:
 - a. No part of the net earnings of Ark Covenant Ministries, Inc. shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its directors, officers, employees or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered to the corporation and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purpose set forth above;
 - b. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation 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 except as authorized under the most current Internal Revenue Code;
 - c. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (1) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law); or (2) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c) (2) or said Internal Revenue Code.
- 4.3 If the corporation is ever classified by the Internal Revenue Service as a Private Foundation, the following provisions will prevail:
 - a. The corporation shall distribute its income for each tax year at such time and in such manner as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942.
 - b. The corporation shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d).

- c. The corporation shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c)
- d. The corporation shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject it to tax under Section 4944
- e. The corporation shall not make any taxable expenditure as defined in Section 4949(d)

Any reference herein to "Section" refers to a section of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and to any corresponding subsequent federal tax laws.

ARTICLE V MEMBERSHIP

5.1 The corporation shall have no membership. The Board of Directors will act as voting members of the corporation.

ARTICLE VI SHARES

6.1 The nonprofit corporation is formed without any purpose of pecuniary profit and shall have no capital stock.

ARTICLE VII BY-LAWS

7.1 Provisions for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation are to be determined and set forth in the By-Laws. The original By-Laws shall be adopted by the Board of Directors of the corporation. Therefore, By-Laws may be adopted, amended or repealed by the Board of Directors in accordance with the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VIII DISSOLUTION

8.1 Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all the assets of the corporation in such manner to such organization or organizations organized and operated

exclusively for charitable, educational, religious or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c) (3).

8.2 Any such assets not so disposed of by the Board of Directors shall be disposed of by the district court in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations as said court shall determine which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE IX DIRECTORS Incorporators

- The business affairs of this corporation shall have three to nine (3-9) directors initially. The number of the directors may be increased from time to time, by the By-Laws, but shall never be less than three (3) or more than, nine (9), unless the By-Laws are subsequently amended. A director may be removed as outlined in the By-Laws.
- Members of the Board of Directors shall be elected and hold office in accordance with 9.2 the By-Laws.
- 9.3 The names and address of the persons who are to serve as the initial board of directors for the ensuing year or until the first annual meeting of the corporation are:

NAME **ADDRESS**

10561 Heritage Farms Road Lake Worth, FL 33449 1. Maria Brusco Osso M.B.S. 35120 Meadowreach Drive Zephyrhills, FL 33541 2. Bishop Samuel Cotto 6037 S.W. 19 Place, North Lauderdale, FL 33068 3. Pastor Allen Jackson

ARTICLE X **OFFICERS**

The officers of the corporation shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The names of the persons who are to serve as officers of the corporation until the first meeting of the Board of Directors are:

NAME OFFICE

1. President/Secretary Maria Brusco Osso M.B.S. 2. Vice President Pastor Allen Jackson Bishop Samuel Cotto

3. Treasurer

Such office may be changed at any time by the Board of Directors without amendment of these Articles of Incorporation. Such agent hereby acknowledges and accepts appointment as Corporation Registered Agent.

ARTICLE XI MISCELLANEOUS

IN WITNESS WHEDEOE I have executed these

11.1 The extent of personal liability, if any, for directors or officers for corporate obligations and the methods of enforcement and collection, are as follows: NONE. Further, the Directors and Officers shall be exempt from liability and/or indemnified from costs and judgments to the full extent permitted by Florida law. In the event Florida law is subsequently amended to authorize the further elimination or limitation of the liability of Directors or Officers of nonprofit corporations, then the liability of the directors and Officers of the corporation in addition to the limitation on personal liability provided under this Article, shall be limited to the fullest extent permitted by such later amended Florida law.

duplicate dated this 10 day of 12013, and say that we are the Directors herein and have read the above and foregoing Articles of Incorporation and know the contents thereof.
Dated the 10th day of Munch, 2013.
DIRECTOR(S)/Incorporators
Maria Brusco Osso M.B.S. Maria Brusco Osso M.B.S.
Pastor Allen Jackson
Bishop Samuel Cotto
REGISTERED AGENT: Maria Brusco Osso M.B.S. Maria Brusco Osso M.B.S.
State of Florida)
Count y of Palm Beach) On the 10 day of, 2013 Maria Brusco Osso M.B.S. personally appeared before me, law fully, the signer(s) of the within instrument, who duly acknowledged to me they executed the same.
Notary Public BEVERLEY LANA MOORE BATTOM MY COMMISSION # EE8353. EXPIRES September 16 20