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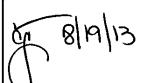


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## Iglesia Cristiana Ciudad de Refugio, Inc.

Department of State **Division of Corporations** P. O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

Iglesia Cristiana Ciudad de Refugio, Inc. a/k/a City of Refuge Christian Church, 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 Filing Fee **\$78.75** Filing Fee & □\$78.75

\$87.50

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FROM: Vilma L. Pabon

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Name (Printed or typed)

1249 Blackwater Pond Dr

Address

Orlando, FL 32828

City, State & Zip

(321) 287-5224

Daytime Telephone number

ICCDRI@gmail.com

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

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

# FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Division of Corporations

July 29, 2013

VILMA L. PABON 1249 BLACKWATER POND DRIVE ORLANDO, FL 32828

SUBJECT: IGLESIA CRISTIANA CIUDAD DE REFUGIO, INC. A/K/A CITY OF REFUGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH. INC.

Ref. Number: W13000042306

We have received your document for IGLESIA CRISTIANA CIUDAD DE REFUGIO, INC. A/K/A CITY OF REFUGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$87.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

Entities may file using only the entity's name. Please delete any reference to the "doing business as name" in your document. If you wish to register your fictitious name, you may do so by filing an application and submitting the appropriate fees to this office.

Section 617.0202(d), Florida Statutes, requires the manner in which directors are elected or appointed be contained in the articles of incorporation or a statement that the method of election of directors is as stated in the bylaws.

The title(s) in the officer/director field(s) is/are not acceptable. Please refer to the following link for acceptable officer/director titleinformation. http://www.sunbiz.org/titledef.html.

Please return the corrected original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

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# SECRETARY OF STATE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS:

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#### ARTICLEI NAME

The name of the corporation shall be: Iglesia Cristiana Ciudad de Refugio, Inc.

# **ARTICLE II PRINCIPALOFFICE**

Principal <u>street</u> address:	Mailing address, if different is:	
Initial Street Address	Iglesia Cristiana Ciudad de Refugio, Inc.	
1233 Shawnee Drive	Vilma L. Pabon	
Kissimmee, FL 34744	1249 Blackwater Pond Drive	
	Orlando, FL 32828	

### **ARTICLE III - PURPOSE**

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is:

First, to lead and uphold religious services into godly worship; to maintain a regular place of worship for the preaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ as ascribed in the Holy Scriptures; teaching of Sunday School classes to people of all ages; supplement the worship services with that of young people, children, and adults. In addition, have prayer meetings, shut-ins, and Christian concerts, and other religious events to propagate the Kingdom of God within local, national and foreign missions.

**Second**, bring to those in need of spiritual comfort and guidance the teachings of the Holy Scriptures in both the Old and New Testament promoting Christian Principles of faith, hope and charity more in particular, the homeless, patients interned in hospitals, terminally ill patients, convalescence home, including their families, and/or anyone in a downcast state. Visit the sick, the poor, the institutionalized and rendering service, assistance and cooperation to all without discrimination as to race, color, or creed.

*Third*, employ qualified counsel and other necessary personnel to carry out the purposes and meet the needs of this Institution.

**Fourth**, with a vision to establish church schools, parochial schools, universities, colleges in order to study, teach and search the Holy Scriptures, with the sole purpose of spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ. The Corporation will not engage teaching any subject other than the religious education.

**Fifth**, provide for the purpose of instruction and dissemination of information about the furtherance of the teachings of the Christian faith and tenets through a forum for exchange of information concerning the Word of God.

**Sixth**, establish auxiliaries, clubs, and societies of a religious nature and to promote and encourage Christian fellowship between its members.

Seventh, establish, maintain and conduct Bible training seminars/conferences for the instruction of and training of students to become effective members, pastors, evangelists, missionaries, and concerned lay church leaders.

Eighth, ordain ministers and Christian workers to the edification and the unity of the Body of Christ.

**Ninth**, to have power to solicit/raise funds by any and all proper and appropriate means in conformity with and subject to the Non-Profit Corporation Law, and to receive and disburse such funds or moneys proceeding from offerings, collections, or any other contributions for the general support of said Corporation, and the purposes for which it was created.

**Tenth**, to have and exercise the general powers of a parent church corporation, and shall not be subject to the jurisdiction of any other church corporation, and to have power to establish and maintain branch churches or ministries in the Florida, or in any state of the United States, and in any part of the world, to establish and maintain in conformity with its constitution, a church tribunal of said corporation to determine and adjudicate questions of faith and doctrine, church policy and regularity of discipline.

**Eleventh**, to borrow or raise money for the Corporation's purposes to any amount permitted by the General Corporation Laws of the State of Florida, by the sale or issue of bonds, notes, debentures, collateral trust certificates, or other obligations of any nature, or in any matter, and to secure the same by mortgage or other liens upon any and all of the property, real personal, or in action, of every description whatsoever or any portion thereof of this Corporation, whether at the time owned or thereafter acquired.

**Twelfth**, to invest and deal with the moneys of the Corporation, for corporate purposes, in any manner, and acquire by purchase, by the exchange of stocks or other securities owned by the Corporation, by subscriptions, or otherwise, and to invest in, to hold for investment or for any other purpose, and to use, sell, pledge, or otherwise dispose of, any stocks, bonds, notes, debentures, and other securities and obligations of any Government, State, Municipality, Corporation, Association, or partnership, domestic or foreign, and while owner of any such stocks, bonds, notes, debentures, or other securities or obligations, to exercises all the rights, powers, and privileges of ownership including among other things the right to vote thereon for any and all purposes.

**Thirteenth**, pay out of the funds of the Corporation all costs and expenses of, and incidentals to the incorporation and organization of the Corporation.

**Fourteenth**, cooperate with service-rendering public organizations and institutions, such as schools, hospitals, churches, prisons, juvenile aid societies/institutions, and other public service institutions in spreading the Good News of the Kingdom of God and preaching of the same.

Fifteenth, to have power to take and to hold any grant, donation, gift, bequest, devise of real personal property made upon trust. The amount of any such donation, gift, or bequest shall be turned over to the trustees of the Corporation, to be held in trust for the use and purpose specified by the donor.

**Sixteenth**, to have power to take, buy lease, or otherwise acquire real estate, and to hold own, sell, mortgage, lease or otherwise dispose of same, subject to the provisions of Non-Profit Corporation Law, and to build, construct, maintain, alter and manage any building or buildings or church office for the use or purposes of said corporation, and to have power to acquire, maintain and improve real property, to be used as a camp ground meeting purposes.

**Seventeenth**, to have power to transfer and convey any of its property to any branch church connected with this corporation, or without the payment of any money or consideration thereof, subject to the aforesaid article of the General Corporation Law of the State of Florida.

**Eighteenth**, said corporation shall have and possess all the exemptions of taxation conferred by law upon a corporation organized exclusively for the moral and mental improvement of men, women, or children, or for religious, charitable or benevolent purposes, or for two or more of such purposes.

**Nineteenth**, the Corporation as such will adopt and establish by laws, rules, regulations in accordance with the law and not inconsistent with this Articles of Incorporation.

**Twentieth**, to operate under the name as set forth in *Article I Name* above; to adopt and assume names in the furtherance of its nonprofit, tax-exempt purposes. To exercise such other and incidental powers as may reasonably be necessary to carry out the purposes for which the church is established, provided that such incidental powers shall be in exercised manner consistent with its tax exempt status as a religious organization as set forth on Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended, of the United States of America.

**Twenty-First**, said corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, 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, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, 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 the purposes set forth in Article Third hereof. 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 or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

**Twenty-Second**, The several clauses (First thru Twenty-First) contained in this Article shall be constructed both as purposes and powers and the statements contained in each clause, shall except where otherwise expressed, be in no wise limited or restricted by reference to or inference from the terms of any other clauses, but shall be regarded as independent purposes and powers.

#### ARTICLE IV - MANNER OF ELECTION

The manner in which the directors are elected and appointed as stated in the bylaws and as follows:

That on the third week of January of each year there shall be a general meeting of the Corporation for the purpose of electing trustees and officers, and for such other and further business which may be taken upon at said meeting.

That the candidates for the open positions will be previously selected by the Board of Directors and presented before the General Assembly to be elected as trustees by means of votes. A quorum must be present in order for the election to be valid. The quorum will be composed of more than fifty percent (50%) of all registered church's members. Revisions, clarifications, extensions and amendments to these procedures will be stipulated on the Corporate Bylaws.

Board of Directors shall consist of not fewer than three (3) members, and not more than the maximum number allowed by the Bylaws of the Corporation as amended from time to time.

The persons elected as trustees will serve a two year term. They will be classified in a way (explained in the corporate bylaws) that the term of one third of the elected candidates expires each year.

#### ARTICLE V - INITIAL OFFICERS AND/OR DIRECTORS

# General Officers and Trustees

Rev. Ismael Perez, PP 1233 Shawnee Drive Kissimmee, FL 34744

Gerardo Pabon, V Vice President, Second Trustee 1249 Blackwater Pond Dr Orlando, FL 32828

Vilma L. Pabon, STP Secretary/Treasurer, Third Trustee 1249 Blackwater Pond Dr Orlando, FL 32828

# Other Officers

- Raul Carrasquillo, O
   4118 Wellington Woods Circle, Apt. 104
   Kissimmee, FL 34741
- Angel Martinez, O
   4118 Wellington Woods Circle, Apt. 104
   Kissimmee, FL 34741
- Jose Cerrato, O
   803 Massy Court
   Kissimmee, FL 34759

#### ARTICLE VI - REGISTERED AGENT

The name and Florida street address (P.O. Box NOT acceptable) of the registered agent is:

Vilma L. Pabon, Secretary/Treasurer, 3<sup>rd</sup> Trustee 1249 Blackwater Pond Dr. Orlando, FL 32828

#### ARTICLE VII - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of incorporator:

Vilma L. Pabon 1249 Blackwater Pond Dr Orlando, FL 32828

#### **ARTICLE VIII - OFFICERS**

The affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by officers elected by the Board of Trustees at its annual meeting. The officers shall serve until the next annual meeting of the Board of Trustees, unless removed earlier in accordance with the Bylaws.

The general officers of the corporation shall be the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

The principal duties of the President shall be to preside at all meetings of the members of the Board of Trustees and to the general supervision of the church. He shall be the Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

The principal duties of the Vice-President shall be to discharge the duties of the President in the event of the absence or disability, for any cause whatsoever, of the President.

The principal duties of the Secretary shall be to countersign all deeds, leases and conveyances executed by the church, affix the seal thereto and to such other papers as shall be required or directed to be sealed, and to keep a record of the proceedings of the Board of Trustees, and to safely and systematically keep all books, papers, records, and documents belonging to the Corporation and the church, or in any way pertaining to the business thereof, except the books and records incidental to the duties of the Treasurer.

The principal duties of the Treasurer shall be to keep an account of all moneys, credits and property of any and every nature of the church which shall come into his hands, and to keep an accurate account of all moneys received and disbursed and of proper vouchers for moneys disbursed and of money and property on hand and generally of all matters pertaining to his office, as shall be required by the Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees may provide for the appointment of such additional officers as they may deem for the best interest of the church. Whenever the Board of Trustees may so order, any two officers, the duties of which do not conflict, may be held by one person.

The officers shall perform such other additional or different duties as shall from time to time be imposed or required by the Board of Trustees, or as may be prescribed from time to time by the Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE IX - LIABILITIES AND RESTRICTIONS

#### Section 1. Liabilities:

None of the members of *Iglesia Cristiana Ciudad de Refugio, Inc.* as known as *City of Refuge Christian Church, Inc.* shall be liable for its debts nor shall any member's property be so liable.

#### Section 2. Restrictions:

The property of this Corporation is irrevocably dedicated to religious and charitable 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.

This corporation is organized exclusively for religious and charity purposes the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under **Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986** (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.)

No part of the net earing of the corporation shall inure to the benefit, or be distributable to its members, trustees, 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.

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 distributions of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public officer.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future federal tax code or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or any other corresponding provision of any future federal tax code.

#### **ARTICLE X - DISSOLUTION**

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Trustees shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the Corporation exclusively for the purpose of the corporation for one or more other exempt purposes, in such manner, or to one or more organizations described in **Section 501(c)(3)** and **170(c)(2)** of the Internal Revenue Code of **1986**, operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt

organization or organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future federal tax code), as the Board of Trustees shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county 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 XI - DURATION**

The duration of the corporation shall be perpetual.

#### **ARTICLE XII - AMENDMENTS**

Amendments to these Articles of Incorporation may be proposed by a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors. After notification to the members of the proposed amendments, such amendments shall be adopted by the Board of Trustees present and voting at a meeting at which a quorum is present.

#### **ARTICLE XII - EFFECTIVE DATE**

These Articles of incorporation were authorized and adopted by the Board of Trustees as of the \_\_\_\_day of July, 2013.

The effective date of filing based under **Florida Statues Section 617.0202** of the Non-Profit Corporation law shall be the \_\_\_\_ day of July, 2013.

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.

Mina L Dahan Janamantan

Date

2-6-13

Vilma L. Pabon, Incorporator