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SUBJECT: Champions 4 Christ Ministries of Palm Beach County, Inc.  
(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: Rev. Clarence S. Ellington, Jr.  
Name (Printed or typed)

8597 Windy Circle  
Address

Boynton Beach, FL 33472  
City, State & Zip

(561) 736-2181  
Daytime Telephone number

celling08@comcast.net  
E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

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

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
CHAMPIONS 4 CHRIST MINISTRIES  
OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, INC.**

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**In compliance with the requirements of Chapter 617.01 et., seq., of Florida Statutes, the undersigned desiring to incorporate a nonprofit corporation, hereby states that:**

**ARTICLE I**

**The name of the corporation is: Champions 4 Christ Ministries of Palm Beach County, Florida, Inc.**

**ARTICLE II**

**The address of the corporation's initial registered office is: 8597 Windy Circle, Boynton Beach, Florida 33472.**

**ARTICLE III**

**The general purpose of this corporation is to foster and encourage religious worship in accordance with the principles of Champions 4 Christ Ministries; that it shall purchase, take, receive, lease, take by gift, devise or bequeath, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, improve, use, or otherwise deal in and with real or personal property, or any interest therein where ever situated, in trust, for the use and benefit of Champions 4 Christ Ministries of Palm Beach County, Inc.**

**The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, (i) fostering and encouraging religious worship in accordance with the principles of Champions 4 Christ Ministries, and (ii) the making of distribution to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.**

**ARTICLE IV**

**The corporation does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit, incidental or otherwise.**

**ARTICLE V**

**The corporation is organized upon a non-stock basis.**

## **ARTICLE VI**

**The members of the corporation shall be those persons qualified in accordance with the bylaws of the corporation.**

## **ARTICLE VII**

**Management of the corporation shall be vested in the board of directors. The corporation shall have a minimum of five (5) directors who shall include the Pastor/president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. The number of directors may be increased from time to time by a majority vote of the members of the corporation. Directors shall be elected by the members at an annual meeting (for terms of three (3) years or, who shall serve until their successors are elected).**

**No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to the corporation's officers, directors or private individual, but the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for service rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article III hereof, and no officer or director of the corporation, or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of the corporation. 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 this Articles Incorporation, the corporation shall not carry on other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Sections 501 (c)(3) and 509(a)(1), (2) or (3) of the Code, or by a corporation contributions of which are deductible under Section 170 (c)(2) of the Code.**

## **ARTICLE VIII**

**The names, addresses and offices of the incorporators and initial directors are:**

**President**

**Rev. Clarence S. Ellington, Jr.  
8597 Windy Circle  
Boynton Beach, FL 33472**

**Vice President**

**Rev. Clarence S. Ellington III  
3838 Rowena Circle  
West Palm Beach, FL 33417**

**Treasurer**

**Dorothy T. Ellington  
8597 Windy Circle  
Boynton Beach, FL 33472**

**Secretary**

**Christie Matthews Ellington  
3838 Rowena Circle  
West Palm Beach, FL 33417**

**Director**

**Melissa N. Ellington  
4201 Wesley Stonecrest Circle  
Lithonia, GA 30038**

#### **ARTICLE IX**

**It is intended that the corporation shall have the status of a corporation that is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(a) of the Code and an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code. These Articles shall be construed accordingly, and all powers and activities of the corporation shall be limited accordingly.**

#### **ARTICLE X**

**The term of existence of the corporation shall be perpetual.**

#### **ARTICLE XI**


**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 Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government for public purposes. 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 XII**

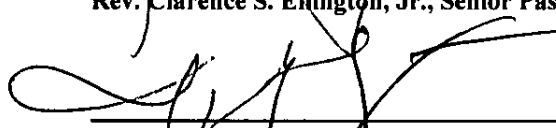
**Any person (and the heirs, executors and administrators of such person) made or threatened to be made a party to any action, suit or proceeding by reason**

of the fact that he or she is or was a director or officer of the corporation shall be indemnified by the corporation against any and all liability and the reasonable expenses, including attorney's fees and disbursement, incurred by him or her ( or by his or her heirs, executors, or administrators) in connection with the defense or settlement of such action, suit or proceeding, or in connection with any appearance therein, except in relation to matters as to which it shall be adjudged in such action, suit or proceeding that such director or officer is liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of his or her duties. Such right on indemnification shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which such director or officer (or such heirs, executors or administrators) may be entitled apart from this Article.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the incorporators have signed and sealed these Articles of Incorporation of the corporation this 3 day of October, 2013.

  
Rev. Clarence S. Ellington, Jr., Senior Pastor

  
Rev. Clarence S. Ellington III, Pastor

  
Dorothy T. Ellington, Treasurer  
Trustee Pro-tem

  
Christie Matthews Ellington, Secretary

  
Melissa N. Ellington, Director

The name and address of the Registered Agent is:

Rev. Clarence S. Ellington, Jr.  
8597 Windy Circle  
Boynton Beach, FL 33437

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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, accept the appointment as Registered Agent, and agree to act in this capacity.

Accepted:

  
Rev. Clarence S. Ellington, Jr.