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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FOR PROVIDENCE CHURCH OF MILTON, INC.

A Nonprofit Corporation

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this Corporation is Providence Church of Milton, Inc.

ARTICLE II. PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS

The principal place of business of this Corporation shall be 6690 Chumuckla Highway, Pace, Florida, 32571.

ARTICLE III. PURPOSE

(1) The purpose for which the Corporation is organized, and the objectives to be carried on and promoted by it are as follows:

Section A. exclusive purposes: this Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and religious, and literary purposes including religious educational purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and all other purposes incidental thereto for which a nonprofit corporation may be formed.

Section B. Specific purposes: subject to the exclusive purposes in section 1 of article 3, the Corporation shall have the following specific purposes:

- (1) To bear witness and to proclaim all biblical truths.
- (2) To conduct religious services and to establish and maintain places of worship in and beyond the state of Florida.
- (3) To engage in media ministry and outreach, including the ownership or less facilities and equipment.
- (4) To conduct public relations, and to engage in evangelism and missions activity throughout the community and world.
- (5) To bring a broad range of pastoral care and personal ministry, including counseling, to the church family and others deemed appropriate by a pastor or elders.
- (6) To provide benevolence ministry for the needy within and without the church(es), including construction and renovation projects.
- (7) To engage in Christian education, including K-12, Bible and ministry training.
- (8) To train, license and ordain to the gospel ministry those who are called of God, deemed to be qualified for the ministry, and sound in the faith.

- (9) To establish and maintain retreats, camp centers and places of refreshment, spiritual enrichment and refuge or protection for Christian people.
- (10) To establish and maintain nonprofit co-op(s) for food, medicine and other necessities.
- (11) To establish, help finance and oversee specialized ministries, such as music, studio, drama, outreach centers, sports, etc.
- (12) To purchase, lease, rent, acquire, own, hold in trust, use, sell, convey, and/or mortgage, any real estate or chattels as may be necessary for investment of said funds, and/or to hold in trust properties for the above stated purposes.
- (13) To manage and/or borrow money, issue bonds, notes or other obligations, secured for monies borrowed, or in payment for property, or for any of the purposes stated above.
- (14) To do anything else God may lead the Board of Directors to do.
- (15) To govern itself according to these articles of incorporation, and the bylaws adopted for the government of the Corporation.
- (2) Other purposes for which the Corporation is organized are to receive and maintain real or personal property, or both, and, subject to the restriction and limitations hereinafter set forth, to use and apply the whole or any part of the income thereof and the principal thereof exclusively for charitable, religious, scientific, literary, or educational purposes either directly, or by contributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and regulations issued pursuant thereto as they now exist or as they may be hereafter amended.
- (3) No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, any director or officer of the Corporation or any member of the Corporation or any other private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the Corporation affecting one or more of its purposes), and no director or officer 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 publication or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.
- (4) The Corporation shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to become subject to tax on undistributed income imposed by section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- (5) The Corporation shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as described in Section 4941 (d) of the Internal Revenue Code, or any corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.

- (6) The Corporation shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding provision of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- (7) The Corporation shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject it to tax under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- (8) The Corporation shall not make any taxable expenditure as defined in Section 4945 (d) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- (9) Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation, the Corporation shall not conduct or carry on any activities not permitted to be conducted or carried on by an organization exempt from taxation under 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code and regulations issued pursuant thereto as they now exist or is they may be hereafter amended, or by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code and said regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended.
- (10) Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all the liabilities of the Corporation, dispose of all the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the Corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized or operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes as they shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any of such assets not so disposed shall be disposed of by the Circuit Court 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 IV. CORPORATE POWERS

The corporate powers of the Corporation are as provided by Section 617.0302, Florida statutes.

ARTICLE V. REGISTERED AGENT

The initial registered agent of the Corporation shall be Karl W. Labertew. The registered agent's address is 125 W. Romana St. Suite 550, Pensacola, FL 32502.

ARTICLE VI. INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator for these Articles of Incorporation is Michael A. Bell, 6690 Chumuckla Highway, Pace, FL 32571.

ARTICLE VII. CORPORATE DIRECTORS

The selection and removal shall be governed by the bylaws. The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are as follows:

NAME

ADDRESS

Michael A. Bell Zachary M. Sims Karl W. Labertew 6690 Chumuckla Highway, Pace, FL 32571 6224 Jays Way, Milton, FL 32570 5812 Jameson Circle, Pace, FL 32570

ARTICLE VIII, BYLAWS

The power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal bylaws shall be by majority vote of the Board of Directors or by the majority vote of the members provided, however, that the Board of Directors shall not have the power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal bylaws if such action would be inconsistent with any bylaws adopted by the members. The method of selecting the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall be established by the bylaws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE IX. DURATION

The term of existence of the corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE X. AMENDMENT

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law.

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above state.

Corporation at the place designated in the certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

KARL W LABERTEW (Registered Agent)

DATE

MICHAEL A. BELL (Incorporator)