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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF GRACE DISCIPLESHIP CENTER OF TAMPA BAY, INC.

#### A FLORIDA NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION

#### ARTICLE 1 NAME

The name of the Corporation is:

GRACE DISCIPLESHIP CENTER OF TAMPA BAY, INC.

#### ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principle office of the Corporation is 10632 Navigation Drive, Riverview, FL 33579.

## ARTICLE III TERM OF EXISTENCE

Corporate existence shall commence upon the date of filing of these Articles of Incorporation, in accordance with the provisions of Section 617.0203 of the Act, and the Corporation shall have perpetual existence thereafter.

#### ARTICLE IV INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of the Corporation is 10632 Navigation Drive, Riverview, Hillsborough County, Florida 33579, and the name of the registered agent at such address is Kathryn Holmes.

#### ARTICLE V PURPOSES AND POWERS

The purposes for which the Corporation is formed shall be to operate exclusively for religious, charitable, and educational purposes as will qualify it as an exempt organization under section 501c(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 2001, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws, including for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations qualifying as tax exempt organizations under that Code.

In addition, the Corporation is organized for the following purposes: To establish a Biblical Christian Church with a Christian Education Department and with missionary, literature, educational and other departments it may deem useful to propagate and practice the full Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ and for its service to the community.

In addition to the powers authorized by law, the Corporation shall have the power to lease, acquire, either by deed, gift or purchase, any real or personal property and to mortgage, sell, or otherwise encumber any such real or personal property when such action is deemed to be in the best interest of the Corporation as defined in its stated purposes as a Christian organization. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Corporation is prohibited from engaging in any activities prohibited by section 501c(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

#### ARTICLE VII DEDICATION OF ASSETS

The property of the Corporation is irrevocably dedicated to religious, charitable, and educational purposes and no part of the net income or assets of the Corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer or member thereof.

#### ARTICLE VIII DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of the Corporation, shall be distributed to a non-profit fund, foundation or corporation organized and operated exclusively for religious, charitable, or education purposes which Kcorresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.

President Byron B. Holmes

10632 Navigation Dr

Riverview, FL 33579

Vice-President

William Hires

P.O. Box 2605

Zephyrhills, FL, 33539

Secretary/Treasurer

Karl House

17441 New Cross Circle

Lithia, 33547

### ARTICLE X BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The powers of this corporation shall be exercised, its properties controlled, and its affairs conducted by a Board of Directors. The number of directors of the corporation shall be not less than three (3) and may be such number greater than three (3) as may, from time to time, be voted upon by the board of directors. The Pastor/President of the Corporation shall be a perpetual member of the board of directors.

The Board of Directors named herein shall hold office until the first annual meeting of the Board of Directors to be held as prescribed in the Bylaws but in no event later than twelve (12) months from the date of incorporation, at which time an election of directors shall be held. If a vacancy occurs on the Board, nomination and election shall fill such vacancy by the remaining members of the Board. If the number of directors is increased above three (3) as authorized by these Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws, the newly created director positions shall be filled by nomination and election by the remaining members of the Board of Directors.

Directors elected at the first annual meeting and at all times thereafter shall serve for a term of not less than one (1) year and until the qualification of their successors in office. The Bylaws of the Corporation may provide for staggered terms of office of the Directors.

#### ARTICLE XIV BYLAWS

The power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal Bylaws shall be vested in the Corporation's Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE XV INDEMNIFICATION

The Corporation shall indemnify any director or officer or any former director or officer, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

#### ARTICLE XVI AMENDMENT

These Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation may be amended by the Board of Directors by resolution proposed and considered at any regular meeting of the Board of Directors but which may not be adopted until the next succeeding regular meeting of the Board of Directors and then only by unanimous vote. The Bylaws of the Corporation shall be made, altered, amended or rescinded by a majority vote of the Board of Directors at a meeting of the Board of Directors called for such purpose.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation on November 17, 2014.

Kathryn Holmes

Incorporator

10632 Navigation Dr

Riverview, FL 33579

# **ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT**

Having been named Registed Agent and designated to accept service of process for the above-stated Corporation, at the place designated in these Articles of Incorporation. I agree to act in such capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties.

Kathryn Holmes

Date