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CHURCH OF CHRIST METRO, INC.**

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

CHURCH OF CHRIST METRO, INC.,

In compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (Not for Profit)

**ARTICLE I
CORPORATE NAME**

The name of the corporation is:

CHURCH OF CHRIST METRO, INC.,

**ARTICLE II
CORPORATE ADDRESS**

The principle place of business and street address of the Corporation is:

1900 1st. Avenue South
St. Petersburg, Florida 33712

**ARTICLE III
DURATION**

The term of existence of the corporation is perpetual.

**ARTICLE IV
GENERAL AND SPECIFIC PURPOSES**

Section I – General Purpose

CHURCH OF CHRIST METRO, INC., is a Christian organization who ministers to all persons helping them worship God, have fellowship, assist families, and provide instruction in the love of Jesus Christ. Specifically, our desire is minister to the needs of the vulnerable in our society in need of redemption, reconciliation and restoration. We desire is to assist the community to discover and re-discover a fresh relationship with Jesus Christ, through vibrant passionate worship, fellowship and relevant biblical teachings. Besides being engaged in this ministry directly we will also provide teaching material for pastors, churches,

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fellowship and other groups and conduct seminars to help in this endeavor both here and around the world.

Said corporation will govern itself and to conduct its own affairs according to the Holy Scriptures. This right shall include such matters as the calling of the pastor, election of the Board of Directors and officers, the acceptance and discipline of its members, the conduct of its own services, church program and all business matters.

Said corporation will establish and maintain a place of worship of Almighty God, our Heavenly Father; to provide Christian fellowship for those of like precious faith, where the Holy Spirit may be honored according to our distinctive testimony.

Section II – Internal Revenue Service

Said corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational 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 organization 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 IV hereof.

No 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 an organization 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 an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code.

**ARTICLE V
AFFILIATION**

While maintaining its inherent rights to sovereignty in the conduct of its own affairs as herein set forth, this ministry may voluntarily enter into full fellowship with others of like faith. The Bible is our all-sufficient rule for faith and practice.

**ARTICLE VI
PASTORAL CARE AND LEADERSHIP**

The Pastor shall be the spiritual leader of the church.

**ARTICLE VII
MEMBERS**

Membership in the church shall be available to those persons who qualify according to the Holy Scripture, Constitution and the Bylaws.

**ARTICLE VIII
CORPORATE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS**

The board of directors and officers of the corporation shall be persons of mature Christian experience and knowledge, who shall meet the requirements of Acts 6, I Timothy 3 and Titus 1. The manner in which the directors and officers are elected or appointed shall be set forth in the Constitution and Bylaws.

The Directors named herein as the first Board of Directors shall hold office until their successors are elected or appointed and qualified. The names and addresses of the first members of the Board of Directors are as follows:

Oscar W. Hadley
1900 1st. Avenue South
St. Petersburg, Florida 33712

Rev. Vincent L. Walker
4100 2nd Avenue South
St. Petersburg, FL 33711

Gloria A. Hadley
1509 25th Avenue South
St. Petersburg, FL 33705

The Board of Directors shall elect the following officers: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, and such other officers as the Constitution

and Bylaws of the corporation may authorize the directors to elect from time to time.

The names and addresses of the initial Officers are as follows:

President:

Oscar W. Hadley
1900 1st. Avenue South
St. Petersburg, Florida 33712

Vice President

Rev. Vincent L. Walker
4100 2nd Avenue South
St. Petersburg, FL 33711

Secretary and Treasurer

Gloria A. Hadley
1509 25th Avenue South
St. Petersburg, FL 33705

**ARTICLE IX
DISSOLUTION**

Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government for a public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization 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 purpose.

**ARTICLE X
REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE**

The corporation's registered agent and office is:

Oscar W. Hadley
1900 1st. Avenue South
St. Petersburg, Florida 33712

**ARTICLE XI
INCORPORATOR**

The name and address of the incorporator of the corporation:

Oscar W. Hadley
1900 1st. Avenue South
St. Petersburg, Florida 33712

ARTICLE XII: INDEMNIFICATION

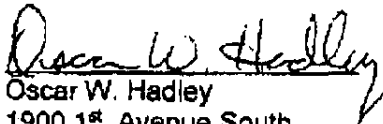
The Corporation shall indemnify any Director, Officer, or former Director and Officer, against expenses actually and necessarily incurred by him/her (legal fees or otherwise) or any amount paid in satisfaction of judgments in connection with any suit or proceeding, whether civil or criminal in nature, in which he/she is made a party by reason of being or having been such Director or Officer.

ARTICLE XIII: AMENDMENT

This corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in the Articles of Incorporation, or any amendments hereto, and to enact a Constitution and By-Laws, in manner now or hereafter prescribed by law and all rights conferred on Directors and Officers herein are granted subject to this reservation.

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 and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

Required Signature of Registered Agent:


Oscar W. Hadley
1900 1st. Avenue South
St. Petersburg, Florida 33712

REGISTERED AGENT

Date: April 28, 2015.

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.

Required Signature of Incorporator:


Incorporator

Oscar W. Hadley
1900 1st. Avenue South
St. Petersburg, Florida 33712

DATE: April 28, 2015.

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