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May 15, 2015

Department of State Division of Corporations Clifton Building 2661 Executive Center Cr Tallahassee, FL 32301

Re: Articles of Incorporation of Covenant Journey, Inc.

# To Department of State:

Enclosed please find the executed Articles of Incorporation of Covenant Journey, Inc., for filing with the Department of State. Also find a check in the amount of \$78.75 to cover filing the Articles of Incorporation, the Registered Agent Designation, and \$8.75 for a Certified Copy thereof.

Please make the effective date May 15, 2015. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Candy McGuire

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#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

### COVENANT JOURNEY, INC.

The undersigned, being of legal age and competent to contract, for the purpose of organizing a not for profit corporation pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation, and do hereby agree and certify as follows:

#### ARTICLE I

#### **NAME**

The name of this Corporation shall be: COVENANT JOURNEY, INC.

### **ARTICLE II**

### COMMENCEMENT OF CORPORATE EXISTENCE

This Corporation shall commence corporate existence upon the filing of these Articles of Incorporation, and shall have perpetual existence unless sooner dissolved according to law. The initial principle office of the Corporation shall be 1053 Maitland Center Commons Boulevard, Maitland, Florida 32751.

#### ARTICLE III

#### PURPOSES AND GENERAL POWERS

(1) The Corporation is organized and operated pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of Internal Revenue Code, as amended, exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and literary purposes. The Corporation will provide education and experiential learning to the constituents it seeks to reach and influence that is designed to strengthen their Christian faith and to equip them to be goodwill ambassadors for Israel and the Jewish people. The education and experiential learning will be carried on through any and all traditional and modern communication and training means and will also include an immersive component that combines a spiritually enriching experience with instruction about ancient and modern Israel in Israel and in the United States. This Corporation shall have all of the powers enumerated in the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, as the same now exists and as hereafter amended, and all such other powers as are permitted by applicable law, including, without limitation and only by illustration, the following:

- (a) To have a corporate seal, which may be altered at pleasure, and to use the same by causing it, or a facsimile thereof, to be impressed, affixed, or in any other manner reproduced provided; however, such seal shall always contain the words "corporation not for profit."
- (b) To purchase, take, receive, lease, take by gift, devise or bequest or otherwise acquire, own, hold, improve, use, and otherwise deal in and with real or personal property or any interest therein, wherever situated.
- (c) To sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, create security interests in, lease, exchange, transfer, and otherwise dispose of all or any part of its property and assets.
- (d) To lend money for its corporate purposes, invest and reinvest its funds, and take and hold real and personal property as security for the payment of funds so loaned or invested.
- (e) To purchase, take, receive, subscribe for, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, vote, use, employ, sell, mortgage, lend, pledge, or otherwise dispose of, and otherwise sell and deal in and with, shares or other interests in, or obligations of, other domestic or foreign corporations, whether for profit or not for profit associations, partnerships or individuals, or direct or indirect obligations of the United States or of any other government, state, territory, governmental district, or municipality or of any instrumentality thereof.
- (f) To make contracts and guarantees and incur liabilities, borrow money at such rates of interest as its Board of Directors may determine, issue its notes, bonds, and other obligations, and secure any of its obligations by mortgage or pledge of all or any of its property, franchises, and income.
- (g) To enter into, make, receive assignments of, grant assignments of, and perform contracts of every nature and kind for any lawful purpose.
- (h) To conduct its business, carry on its operations, and have offices and exercise the powers granted by the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act or by other applicable law within or without the State of Florida.
- (i) To elect or appoint officers and agents and define their duties and allow them reasonable compensation.
- (j) To make and alter bylaws, not inconsistent with its Articles of Incorporation or with the laws of the State of Florida, for the administration and regulation of its affairs.
- (k) To promote, by all proper and legitimate agencies and means, education and educational institutions generally, and any and all charitable, religious, scientific and educational movements, purposes or causes; to make gifts and donations for the public welfare or for charitable, religious, scientific, educational purposes or other similar purposes.

- (l) To dedicate to the public or to any governmental entity whatsoever for any public or other purpose any of its real or personal property or any interest therein.
- (m) To transact any lawful business which the Board of Directors shall find will be in aid of the Corporation's purposes.
  - (n) To have and exercise all powers necessary or convenient to effect its general purpose.
- (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the Corporation shall not engage in any activity that is not permitted for an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and literary purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions of 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).
- (3) No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its directors, officers, or other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay all reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in this Article. 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 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 of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

#### ARTICLE IV

#### MEMBERSHIP

The sole member of this Corporation is the Covenant Journey Mission Trust.

### ARTICLE V

#### INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The initial registered office of this Corporation shall be located at 1053 Maitland Center Commons Boulevard, Maitland, Florida 32751, and the initial registered agent of the Corporation at that address shall be Mathew D. Staver. The Corporation may change its registered agent or the location of its registered office, or both, from time to time without amendment of these Articles of Incorporation.

### **ARTICLE VI**

### **INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

This Corporation shall have four (4) directors initially. The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed and the number of directors, which may be increased or diminished from time to time, is set forth in the Bylaws. The name and street address of the persons initial Board of Directors ("Founders") are:

Mathew D. Staver Liberty Counsel 1053 Maitland Center Commons Boulevard Maitland, Florida 32751

Rivka Kidron Shderot Chen 42 Apt 5 Tel Aviv, Israel

Robert Nicholson The Philos Project Inc. 79 Madison Avenue New York, NY 10016

Max Karpel 551 Fifth Avenue, 18<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, NY 10176

#### **ARTICLE VII**

#### **INCORPORATORS**

The name and street address of the Incorporators, only one of which needs to sign and file the Articles of Incorporation, are:

Mathew D. Staver Liberty Counsel 1053 Maitland Center Commons Boulevard Maitland, Florida 32751

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### **ARTICLE VIII**

#### **BYLAWS**

Except as otherwise provided by law, and subject to the approval of the Corporation's sole voting member, Covenant Journey Mission Trust, the power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal the Bylaws shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

#### **ARTICLE IX**

#### **INDEMNIFICATION**

In addition to any rights and duties under applicable law, the Corporation shall indemnify to the maximum extent permitted by law and hold harmless all of its directors, officers, employees and agents, and former directors, officers, employees and agents from and against all liabilities and obligations, including attorneys' fees, incurred in connection with any actions taken or failed to be taken by said directors, officers, employees and agents in their capacity.

#### ARTICLE X

#### **AMENDMENTS**

Subject to the approval of its sole member, Covenant Journey Mission Trust, this Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment hereto.

#### **ARTICLE XI**

#### **DISSOLUTION**

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the Corporation exclusively for the purposes of the Corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious or literary purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or 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), as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of competent jurisdiction of the city or 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

### **HEADINGS AND CAPTIONS**

The headings or captions of these various Articles are inserted for convenience and none of them shall have any force or effect, and the interpretation of the various Articles shall not be influenced by any of said headings or captions.

## STATE OF FLORIDA **COUNTY OF SEMINOLE**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the incorporator hereinbefore named, for the purpose of forming a not for profit corporation pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida to do business both within and without the State of Florida, hereby make and file these Articles of Incorporation declaring and certifying that the facts stated herein are true, and hereby subscribe thereto and hereunto set their hands and seal this 15th day of May, 2015.

BEFORE ME, a notary public authorized to take acknowledgments in the state and county set forth above, personally appeared Mathew D. Staver, known to me and known by me to be the person who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and they acknowledged before me that they executed those Articles of Incorporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, in the state and county aforesaid, this 15th day of May, 2015.

My Commission expires:  $\alpha/18/2018$ 

Notary Public State of Florida Candy McGuire

# CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN FLORIDA AND REGISTERED AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

In compliance with Florida Statutes, the following is submitted:

COVENANT JOURNEY, INC., desiring to organize as a not for profit corporation pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida with its registered office and principal place of business at 1053 Maitland Center Commons Boulevard, Maitland, Florida 32751, has named and designated Mathew D. Staver, as its Registered Agent to accept service of process within the State of Florida.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-named Not For Profit Corporation, at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby agree to act in this capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties as Registered Agent.

DATED this 15th day of May, 2015.

Mathew D. Staver Registered Agent