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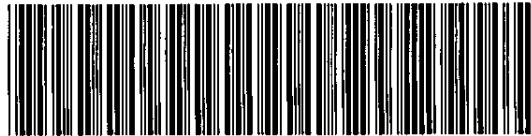
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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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The Heart of Jacksonville Institutional Church Worldwide, Inc. STATE  
The undersigned by these Articles associate themselves together and make, subscribe,  
acknowledge and file these Articles of incorporation for the purpose of becoming incorporated as  
a corporation not for profit under the laws of the state of Florida.

### ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of the corporation shall be The Heart of Jacksonville Institutional Church Worldwide,  
Inc. and shall be located at 2001 Ernest Street Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida

### ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

The general nature of the objectives and purposes of the Corporation shall be to operate a  
Christian, Charitable, Church in the Jacksonville, Florida area and through it to maintain regular  
services, to proclaim earnestly the gospel message and urge its acceptance; to cooperate heartily  
by prayer, gift and service in the effort to establish the Kingdom of Christ throughout the world;  
to promote systemic Bible study and training for Christian services and to encourage, in every  
way possible, life enlistment in Christianity; to conduct for religious worship and instruction  
churches, schools, pastoriiums and other institutions connected therewith of a religious,  
educational, charitable and benevolent character to the end that it's own members and the people  
of the community in which it is located can advance in spiritual growth, enlightenment and  
empowerment. To establish human development ministries, programs and schools to promote  
personal empowerment through spiritual development. To certify and license Ministers for the  
Gospel Ministry and to Ordain the same. To conduct any and all other lawful business as  
prescribed by the laws of Florida.

### ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

Any person who believes in the Christian experience and is willing to embrace it in its fullness,  
who accepts the worship of the Almighty God according to the doctrines of The Heart of  
Jacksonville Institutional Church Worldwide, Inc, or who is a member of a sister church and is  
accompanied by a letter or other pastoral commendation, and who is willing to abide by the  
rules, regulations, bylaws, policies and advocacies of The Heart of Jacksonville Institutional  
Church Worldwide, Inc., is eligible for membership in the corporation. Such persons who at any  
regular services of the church openly expresses their desire for membership in this body may be  
adjoined through congregational acceptance (simple majority vote of the members present) and  
pastoral approval (right hand of fellowship is extended by the pastor).

Membership in the corporation shall at all times consist of and be limited to individuals who are  
actively contributing financially, attending consistently and participating programmatically to  
the corporation and hold to and subscribe to the tenants of the faith as prescribed by the  
scriptures and outlined by the Board of Directors.

The present membership of The Heart of Jacksonville Institutional Church Worldwide, Inc and  
those hereafter admitted to membership in this corporation is hereinabove set forth, shall  
constitute the membership of this corporation.

#### **ARTICLE IV – TERM**

This corporation shall have perpetual existence.

#### **ARTICLE V – SUBSCRIBERS**

The name and resident address of the subscribers are:

Bishop Milessa G. Nesbitt, D.D	2001 Ernest Street	Jacksonville, FL 32204
Bishop R. Alexander Nesbitt	2001 Ernest Street	Jacksonville, FL 32204
Reverend R. A. Nesbitt, Jr.	2001 Ernest Street	Jacksonville, FL 32204

#### **ARTICLE VI**

The spiritual affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a senior pastor, who shall be assisted by a pastor, and a board of ministers. These assistants shall be appointed by the senior pastor, and shall serve until replaced by subsequent pastoral appointment. The chairman of these boards shall be designated by the senior pastor. There shall be a board of directors to assist the pastor in handling the business affairs of the corporation. There shall be at least 5 but not more than 20 members of the board of directors, one of whom shall be the senior pastor, who shall also serve as president of the Board; one whom shall be a pastor, who shall also be vice president of the board. All persons shall be appointed to the board by the senior pastor.

One of these persons shall serve as secretary to the board, and the other will serve as treasurer to the board. These officers shall serve until replaced by subsequent pastoral appointment. All of the remaining members of the board shall be appointed by the pastor annually. All legal instruments of the corporation shall be signed by the chairman or vice president of the board, and attested by the secretary; or in such manner as may be authorized by law.

The persons whose names are set forth hereinafter in Article VII shall constitute the board of directors, and those in Article VIII shall constitute the ministers board, and shall serve until their successors are appointed, respectively and qualified.

The term of the senior pastor shall be indefinite. Upon his/her severance from the church by death or other divine providence, the spiritual and business affairs of the corporation shall be overseen by the pastor, who shall automatically become the senior pastor, and shall assume all responsibilities of the senior pastor as stated in the first paragraph of Article VII.

## **ARTICLE VII – BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

President/Senior Pastor  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President/Pastor  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President /Treasurer  
3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President/ Secretary  
Members

Bishop Milessa Nesbitt, D.D.  
Bishop R.Alexander Nesbitt  
Reverend R.A. Nesbitt, Jr.  
Bishop RaVonda Nesbitt

Reverend Joyce Riddles  
Reverend Nell Wall  
Reverend Rhonda Nesbitt  
Reverend RaLonda Nesbitt  
Reverend Brenda Fore

## **ARTICLE VIII – BOARD OF MINISTERS**

The following shall constitute the Board of Ministers

Bishop Milessa Nesbitt, D.D.  
Bishop R. Alexander Nesbitt  
Elder Leonard T. Weaver, Jr.

## **ARTICLE IX - BYLAWS**

The bylaws of this corporation shall be made, altered, rescinded through proposal by the board of directors, approval by the general membership via a simple majority vote at annual meeting of the corporation, or special meeting of the corporation called for that purpose, provided that notice of at least six days is given in writing or from the pulpit.

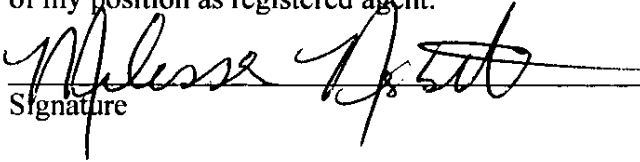
## **ARTICLE X – AMENDMENTS**

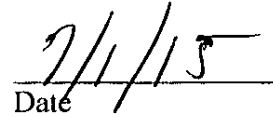
This corporation shall amend these Articles by resolution proposed by the board of directors, passed by the general membership of the church, via simple majority vote at any annual meeting of the corporation called for that purpose, and sanctioned by the pastor. The Articles of Incorporation shall be amended and the amendment of amendments incorporated herein shall be effective only when the amendments or amendment has or have been filed with the Secretary of State, of the State of Florida and approved by him, and all fees paid.

**ARTICLE XI - REGISTERED AGENT**

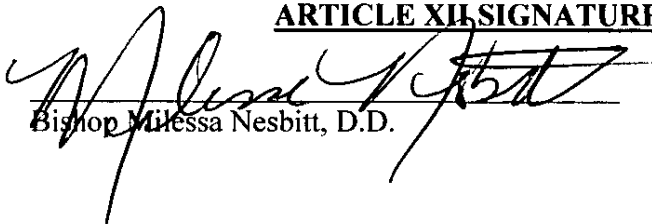
**Bishop Milessa Nesbitt, D.D.  
2001 Ernest Street  
Jacksonville, Florida 32204**


Having been named as registered agent and accepted service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligation of my position as registered agent.

  
Signature

  
Date

**ARTICLE XII SIGNATURE OF INCORPORATORS**

  
Bishop Milessa Nesbitt, D.D.

  
Date

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