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Division of Corporations
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SUBJECT: GULF COMMUNITY CHURCH

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

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FROM: Mike Atkins/Brian Hill
Name (Printed or typed)

4522 Executive Drive
Address

Naples, Florida 34119
City, State & Zip

239.330.7749
Daytime Telephone number

98mast@gmail.com

E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
GULF COMMUNITY CHURCH, INC.
A Florida not-for-profit corporation**

The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a Florida not-for-profit corporation hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation.

**ARTICLE I
NAME**

The name of the corporation shall be GULF COMMUNITY CHURCH, INC.

**ARTICLE II
PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The Principal address and the mailing address of the corporation is:

4522 EXECUTIVE DRIVE
NAPLES, FLORIDA, 34119

**ARTICLE III
PURPOSES**

The Corporation is organized and will be operated exclusively for charitable, religious and educational purposes described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Code. Within the scope of the foregoing purposes and without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Corporation is organized and will be operated to lead people into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ by creating a church that un-churched people love to attend. Our strategy is to create irresistible environments where people are encouraged and equipped to pursue intimacy with God and develop relationships within their community.

**ARTICLE IV
MANNER OF ELECTION**

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed is by appointment.

ARTICLE V

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ARTICLE V
INITIAL OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

The initial officers and directors are:

Brian Hill
Director and President
4522 Executive Drive
Naples, Florida 34119

Barbara Hill
Secretary
4522 Executive Drive
Naples, Florida 34119

Mike Atkins
Director and Treasurer
4522 Executive Drive
Naples, Florida 34119

Tim Winschel
Director
4522 Executive Drive
Naples, Florida 34119

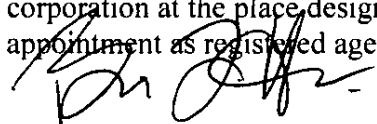
Diane Menzies
Director
4522 Executive Drive
Naples, Florida 34119

ARTICLE VI
REGISTERED AGENT

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is:

Brian Hill
4522 Executive Drive
Naples, Florida 34119

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.



Brian Hill
Signature of Registered Agent

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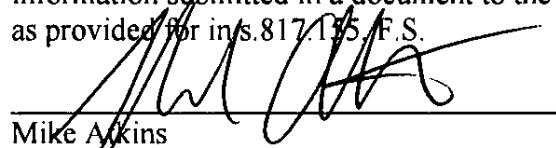
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ARTICLE VII
INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Mike Atkins
4522 Executive Drive
Naples, Florida 34119

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.817.135, F.S.


Mike Atkins
Signature of Incorporator

9-1-15
Date

ARTICLE VIII NOT-FOR-PROFIT

The corporation is a not-for-profit corporation and is not organized for the private gain of any person.

ARTICLE IX NO MEMBERS

The Corporation will not have members.

ARTICLE X MANAGEMENT BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors. The number of directors shall from time to time be fixed by, or in the manner provided in the Bylaws; provided, however that the number of directors shall not at any time be less than three (3).

ARTICLE XI NOT-FOR-PROFIT

I. The Corporation is not organized for the pecuniary profit, nor shall it ever operate for the primary purpose of carrying on a business for profit. The Corporation shall not have any power to issue certificates of stock or declare dividends. The balance, if any, of all money and other assets received by the Corporation, after the payment in full of all debts and obligations of the Corporation of whatsoever kind and nature, shall be used and distributed exclusively for carrying out only the purposes of the Corporation as particularly set forth in ARTICLE 5 hereof.

II. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Amendment to Articles of Incorporation or the Corporation's Bylaws, the Corporation shall neither have nor exercise any power nor shall it engage directly or indirectly in any activity that might invalidate its status (a) as a corporation, which is exempt from federal income taxations as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code; or (b) as a corporation contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Code.

III. 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 reasonable compensation for service rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in ARTICLE 5 hereof.

IV. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation; nor shall it in any manner or to any extent participate in or intervene in any political campaign (including the publishing or distribution of statements) on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate of public office; nor shall the Corporation engage in any activities that are unlawful under applicable federal, state, or local laws.

ARTICLE XII DISSOLUTION

In the event of the discontinuance of the Corporation by dissolution or otherwise, or in the event it shall cease to carry out the objects and purposes herein set forth, all of the business, property and assets of the Corporation shall be distributed pursuant to any donor-imposed restrictions that are in compliance with this Amendment of Articles of Incorporation and, in the case of unrestricted assets of the Corporation and in all other cases, as determined by the Directors of this Corporation in their sole discretion, and, notwithstanding any other provision of this Amendment of Articles of Incorporation, in no event shall any of the Corporation's assets or property, in the event of dissolution, be distributed to any organization not qualified for tax exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code or to any person, either for the reimbursement of any sum subscribed, donated or contributed by such person to the Corporation or for any other purpose.