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November 18, 2015

Florida Department of State Division of Corporations Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Re: Central Church of Christ of Ocala, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed please find Articles of Incorporation for Central Church of Christ of Ocala, Inc., a non-profit corporation, together with our \$70 check to cover the filing fee and registered agent designation.

Thank you for your attention to the enclosed. Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

R. Scott Cross For the Firm

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Enclosures

# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST OF OCALA, INC. A Not For Profit Corporation

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#### ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the corporation shall be CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST OF OCALA, INC.

# ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS

The street address of the initial principal office is 4200 East Silver Springs Boulevard, Ocala, Florida 34470; the mailing address of the corporation is the same.

#### ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The corporation is a non-denominational, New Testament Church based on the Bible. The Church makes every effort to speak where the Bible speaks and keep silent where the Bible is silent. Jesus is the foundation of His Church and the Central Church of Christ of Ocala congregation keeps Christ at the core of all it does.

# ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors of the corporation shall consist of at least three persons, who shall be selected by the Members in the manner set forth in the by-laws.

The initial Board of Directors shall be:

Gary L. Coffman 4400 SW 62<sup>nd</sup> Loop Ocala, FL 34474

Arthur T. Jackson 6550 SE US Highway 41 Morriston, FL 32668 Danny L. Fairchild 2918 NE 10<sup>th</sup> Street Ocala, FL 34470

Jennings A. Norton 6500 NE 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue Ocala, FL 34479 Stephen H. Loftis 3802 SE 9<sup>th</sup> Place Ocala, FL 34471 Wayne M. Yancey 3310 SE Ft. King Street Ocala, FL 34470

### ARTICLE V INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation and the name of the initial registered agent at that address are: Gary L. Coffman, 4200 East Silver Springs Boulevard, Ocala, Florida 34470.

#### ARTICLE VI INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator is: Gary L. Coffman, 4400 SW 62<sup>nd</sup> Loop, Ocala, Florida 34474.

#### ARTICLE VII AMENDMENT

This corporation may amend its certificate of incorporation in any respect, provided that only such provisions shall be inserted by amendment as would be lawful and proper in an original certificate of incorporation made at the time of making such amendment. Amendments may be proposed only by a Director and must be approved by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Board of Directors.

# ARTICLE VIII NO DISCRIMINATION

The corporation will be an equal opportunity organization, and there shall be no discrimination in membership or in hiring of employees based on race or national origin.

# ARTICLE IX EXCLUSIVE CHARITABLE PURPOSES

The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and/or scientific purposes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue 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 organization 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 the purpose clause hereof. No part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization 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 this document, the organization 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 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.

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 asstate or local government, for a public purpose.

#### ARTICLE X MEMBERS

The corporation shall receive as members those who profess Jesus Christ as their Savior, manifest the fruits of the Spirit in their lives, and agree with the purpose statement and polity of the corporation. The by-laws of the corporation may set forth terms and conditions regarding qualification, admission, termination, and standing of membership.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have executed these Articles of Incorporation on this 12th day of November, 2015.

Gary L. Coffman

Incorporator

#### STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF MARION

I hereby certify that on this day, before me, an officer duly authorized to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, personally appeared Gary L. Coffman known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, who acknowledged before me that he executed the same, and an oath was not taken. (Check one:  $\checkmark$  Said person is personally known to

me orSaid person provided the followin Witness my hand and official sea	ng type of identification:  I in the County and State last aforesaid this day of
November, 2015.	Novary Public My Commission Expires: Seal:
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#### **ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT**

I HEREBY ACCEPT my designation as Registered Agent for CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST OF OCALA, INC. as set forth in Article V of the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, affirming that I am familiar with and accept the obligations of that position.

Dated this | 2 day of November, 2015.

Gary L. Coffman