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SUBJECT: THE ROCK CALVARY CHAPEL, INC.  
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We received your electronically transmitted document. However, the document has not been filed. Please make the following corrections and refax the complete document, including the electronic filing cover sheet.

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
THE ROCK CALVARY CHAPEL, INC.**

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**(A Corporation Not for Profit)**

In order to form a corporation under and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, the undersigned incorporator hereby makes, adopts and subscribes the following Articles of Incorporation:

**Article 1 - Name of Corporation**

The name of this corporation shall be: The Rock Calvary Chapel, Inc.

**Article 2 - Principal Address**

The principal address and the mailing address of the corporation shall be: 5523 24<sup>th</sup> Street West, Bradenton, Florida 34207.

**Article 3 - Purpose of Corporation**

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are exclusively religious, charitable, scientific, literary and educational within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

The general nature, objects and purposes of the corporation shall be to operate without profit and to accept and receive property of whatever kind, and wherever situate, received by it by gift, grant, purchase, devise, bequest, or in any lawful manner and to administer and distribute such property exclusively for health, welfare, scientific, educational, cultural, and other charitable purposes, including:

(a) To distribute property in accordance with the terms of gifts, bequests, or devises made to the corporation which are not inconsistent with its purposes; or

(b) To modify any restriction or condition on the administration and distribution of funds for any specified purpose consistent herewith if in the sole judgment of the board of directors without the necessity of the approval of any trustee, custodian or agent, such restriction or condition becomes, in effect, unnecessary, incapable of fulfillment, or inconsistent with the designated purposes of the corporation.

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The corporation shall have the power to purchase, lease or otherwise acquire property, support missionaries and missions, raise funds, and do those things necessary to proclaim the Gospel in an adequate manner.

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, 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 the purpose clause hereof. 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 provisions of this document, 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 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.

The Statement of Faith for The Rock Calvary Chapel, Inc., shall be the following:

- We are a non-denominational Christian church that studies the bible verse by verse and chapter by chapter through the whole counsel of God (*Acts 20:27*).
- We believe that there is one living and true God, eternally existing in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, equal in power in glory; that this triune God created all, upholds all, and governs all things (*Genesis 1:1; Deuteronomy 6:4*).
- We believe in the person of the Holy Spirit, who came forth from the Father and Son to convict the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment, and to regenerate, sanctify, and empower for ministry all who believe in Christ (*Acts 1:8; 2 Corinthians 3:18; John 16:8-11; Romans 8:26 and 15:13, 16; Hebrews 9:14*).
- We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit and in the exercise of all biblical gifts of the Spirit according to the instructions given in 1 *Corinthians 12-14* (1 *Corinthians 14*).

#### Article 4 - Membership

The qualification for members and the manner of their admission shall be as stated in the Bylaws of the corporation.

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**Article 5 – Elders**

The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by the Elders (Directors), as determined pursuant to provisions of the Bylaws of the corporation. The method of election of the Elders (Directors) of the corporation shall be as stated in the Bylaws of the corporation.

**Article 6 - Officers**

The corporation shall have officers as provided in the Bylaws of the corporation.

**Article 7 – Corporate Existence**

The existence of this corporation shall be perpetual, unless dissolved according to law. Distributions upon the dissolution of the corporation shall be made according to the terms set forth in Article 12.

**Article 8 - ByLaws**

The incorporator of the corporation shall adopt Bylaws of the corporation consistent with these Articles of Incorporation. Thereafter, the Bylaws of the corporation may be altered, amended or rescinded by the directors of the corporation in the manner provided by such Bylaws of the corporation.

**Article 9 – Registered Office**

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 5523 24<sup>th</sup> Street West, Bradenton, Florida 34207 and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation at that address is Pilgrim Benham.

**Article 10 - Incorporator**

The name and address of the incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation is John L. Moore, 200 South Orange Avenue, Sarasota, Florida 34236.

**Article 11 - Committees**

The corporation may establish such committees as provided in the Bylaws of the corporation.

**Article 12 – Distribution Upon Dissolution**

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, as provided in the Bylaws of the corporation, the assets of the corporation shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the

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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 Circuit Court of the 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 13 - Amendment**

This corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment hereto, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April 2016.



John L. Moore  
Incorporator


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ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT BY REGISTERED AGENT  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

The undersigned hereby consents to the appointment as Registered Agent of The Rock Calvary Chapel, Inc., to accept service of process upon said corporation in this state. The undersigned is familiar with, and accepts, the obligations of this position.

  
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Pilgrim Benham  
Registered Agent