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December 7, 2020

Via UPS

Department of State Division of Corporations The Centre of Tallahassee 2415 N. Monroe Street, Suite 810 Tallahassee, FL 32303

Re: Grace Connection, Inc. Incorporation of

Dear Sirs:

Please find accompanying this letter original and one copy of the proposed Articles of $\frac{1}{12}$. Incorporation of Grace Connection, Inc. and my trust account check in the amount of \$87.50 to cover the filing fee for incorporation, a certified copy and certificate.

Please return a certified copy and certificate to Lawrence R. Patterson, 2801 Marrie Court, Clearwater, FL 33761.

Sincerely.

Lawrence R Patterson

LRP/s

cc: Mr. Robert Brotherton

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF GRACE CONNECTION, INC.

The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation under Chapter 617.0202, F.S., hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation.

<u>ARTICLE I</u> NAME

The name of the corporation shall be **GRACE CONNECTION**, **INC.**

ARTICLE II INITIAL PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND MAILING ADDRESS

The street address of the principal office of this corporation shall be: 2192 Marquita Drive, Dunedin, Florida 34698. The mailing address of this corporation shall be: P O Box 2052, Dunedin, Florida 34697.

ARTICLE III INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The name and Florida street address of the initial registered agent is Robert H. Brotherton, 2192 Marquita Drive, Dunedin, Florida 34698, and his e-mail address is rhbrother@verizon.net.

ARTICLE VIII
ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The manner of electing the Board of Directors (Elders) shall be as set forth in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VI CORPORATE PURPOSE

A. Believing the Holy Bible to be the inspired Word of God and acknowledging the Lordship of Jesus Christ over our lives, the objectives of this church shall be: (i) To worship God, edify the Church, and uplift the community by being a witness to the power of God in Jesus Christ at home and throughout the world; (ii) to actively lead persons to faith in Christ, both in our community and throughout the world; (iii) to be a fellowship of like-minded believers (I Peter 3:8), encouraging personal and social conduct consistent with the precepts of the Holy Scripture; (iv) to minister to the spiritual, physical, and emotional needs of the membership and the community in the name of Jesus Christ; (v) to foster a spirit of love, caring, and support within the church family; and (vi) to worship and glorify God through every aspect of our church life.

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- B. Additionally, the Church is organized and shall be operated for religious, charitable, and educational purposes within the meaning of Sections 501(c)(3) and 501(K) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, or any corresponding provisions of future Internal Revenue laws, and the regulations pertinent thereto (referred to herein as the "Internal Revenue Code"), including the making distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The forgoing statement of purpose shall not be considered as limiting or restricting in any manner the powers conferred upon not for profit corporations by Chapter 617 Florida Statutes and, therefore, the church shall have the power to transact any business not prohibited by law or required to be stated herein.
- C. No Substantial part of the activities of the Church shall be or involve the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Church shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements for) any political campaign on behalf of, or in the opposition to, any candidate for public office.
- D. Notwithstanding nay other provision of these Articles, the Church shall only carry on activities permitted to be carried on (i) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section to1(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or (ii) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170©, 2055 and 2522 of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE VII INUREMENT OF EARNINGS & COMPENSATION

No part of the net earnings of the Church shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, the Church's Board of Directors/Elders, officers, or other private persons, except that the Church shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation services rendered to the Church and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article VI hereof.

ARTICLE VIII DISPOSITION OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the Church, the Church's Board of Elders shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Church, dispose of all of the assets of the Church exclusively for the purposes of the Church in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, literary and /or educational purposes as shall at that tie qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 5019c(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Any assets not so disposed o by the Board of directors shall be disposed of by the Court of county in which the principal office of church is then located, exclusively for the purposes set forth in Article VI hereof or to organization or organizations as said Court shall determine, which organizations(s) is or are organized exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE IX EFFECTIVE DATE

The effective date of this corporation shall t	be January 1, 2021
Lawrence R. Patterson, Attorney, P.A.	
Barrence R. Patterson, President	_ <u>December 7, 2020</u> Date
Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and an agent as provided for in Chapter 607 Florida Statutes.	act I this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all
Robert H. Brotherton	December 7, 2020 Date