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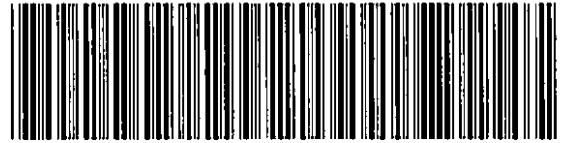
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Department of State
Division of Corporations
P.O. Box 6327
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SUBJECT: Move Non-Profit from Michigan to Florida

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

FEES:

Certificate of Domestication	\$50.00
Articles of Incorporation and Certified Copy	<u>\$78.75</u>
Total to domesticate and file	\$128.75

OPTIONAL:

Certificate of Status	\$ 8.75
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George H Bridges

Name (printed or typed)

2172 W. Nine Mile Road, PMB #263

Address

Pensacola, Florida, 32534

City, State & Zip

8509435093

Daytime Telephone Number

george@bridgesconsultinc.com

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

**NOT FOR PROFIT
CERTIFICATE OF DOMESTICATION**

The undersigned, George Bridges, President, Cofounder
(Name) (Title)

of Faith Is Now Ministries a foreign Corporation
(Corporation Name)

in accordance with section 617.1803, Florida Statutes, does hereby certify:

1. The date on which corporation was first formed was June 10, 2019.
2. The jurisdiction where the above named corporation was first formed, incorporated, or otherwise came into being was Michigan.
3. The name of the corporation immediately prior to the filing of this Certificate of Domestication was Faith Is Now Ministries.
4. The name of the corporation, as set forth in its articles of incorporation, to be filed pursuant to s. 617.01201 and 617.0202 with this certificate is Faith Is Now Ministries Inc.
5. The jurisdiction that constituted the seat, siege social, or principal place of business or central administration of the corporation, or any other equivalent jurisdiction under applicable law, immediately before the filing of the Certificate of Domestication was Michigan.
6. Attached are Florida articles of incorporation to complete the domestication requirements pursuant to s. 617.1803.

I am George Bridges of Faith Is Now Ministries

and am authorized to sign this Certificate of Domestication on behalf of the corporation and have done so this the 10 day of July, 2023.


(Authorized Signature)

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

For use by Domestic Nonprofit Corporations

Pursuant to the provisions of Act 162, Public Acts of 1982, the undersigned corporation executes the following Articles:

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is: Faith is Now Ministries Inc.

ARTICLE II

A. The purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are: to serve and operate as a religious and evangelistic ministry led by licensed and ordained ministers, namely, George Bridges and Carolyn Bridges, addressing and meeting the needs of Christians throughout Michigan, the United States and abroad to promote all endeavors which will spread the Word of God according to the Bible, with an emphasis on Matthew 28:19-20 and Mark 16:15-18. This statement of purpose shall be broadly construed to achieve the goals of the Corporation, and shall also include the provisions of Article II (B).

B. Further Statement of Purpose. The Corporation is organized and operated exclusively for religious, charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any superseding statute thereto, and pursuant to the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act. Such purposes shall include the following:

1. To engage in religious activities.
2. To proclaim the Gospel of the Kingdom and the Lordship of Jesus Christ according to the infallible Word of God from the Bible.
3. To take the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the world by whatever means may be appropriate, including but not limited, through the use of all forms of media, preaching, teaching, speaking, revivals, conferences, appearances, writings, music, musical production, and other.
4. To encourage religious study and education.
5. To teach interested individuals and to conduct their study, in the Word of God and all related matters.
6. To acquire and hold such property, either real or personal, for ministry purposes, as may be necessary for the worship of God.

C. Corporate Powers. As a means of accomplishing the Corporation's purposes and methods, in accordance with and in addition to the powers conferred by the laws of the State of Michigan, the Corporation shall have the following powers, (with the understanding that several clauses

contained in this ARTICLE VI shall be construed both as purposes and powers, and the statements contained in each clause shall, except where otherwise expressed, be in no way limited or restricted by reference to or inference from the terms of any other clauses, but shall be regarded as independent purposes and powers):

1. To raise and assist in raising funds for the purposes herein set forth.
2. To acquire, own, lease, build, mortgage and dispose of property, both real and personal.
3. To accept property and donations in trust for religious, educational or charitable purposes.
4. To acquire, hold, own, sell, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, or otherwise dispose of shares of the capital stock, bonds, obligations or other securities of other corporations, domestic, or foreign, as investments or otherwise, in carrying out any of the purposes of the Corporation and, while the owner thereof, to exercise all rights, powers and privileges of ownership, including the power to vote thereon.
5. To minister sacerdotal functions, including but not limited to performing funerals, baptisms, and marriages between a biological woman and a biological man
6. To receive and accept gifts of money and property by gift, devise or bequest subject to the laws related to the transfer of property by gift or will, and to hold the same for any of the purposes of the Corporation and its work;
7. To act as Trustee under any trust incidental to principal objects of the Corporation and to receive, hold, administer and expend funds and property subject to such trust;
8. To enter into, make, perform and carry out contracts of every kind for any lawful purpose without limit as to amount and with any person, firm, or association or any corporation;
9. To purchase or otherwise acquire, to own, hold, use and enjoy, to sell, assign and transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of, deal in or deal with personal property of every kind and description without limit as to the amount thereof and wheresoever the same may be situated;
10. To contract for and receive the services of qualified counsel and other necessary persons or organizations to carry out the purposes of the Corporation;
11. To adopt and assume names in the furtherance of its non-profit, tax exempt purposes;
12. To use any and all media, including but not limited to print, television, radio, satellite and the internet, in the furtherance of its non-profit, tax exempt purposes;
13. To do all other acts necessary or expedient for the administration of the affairs and attainment of the purposes of the Corporation and to have and exercise all the powers now or hereafter conferred by the laws of the State of Michigan;
14. To exercise such other and incidental powers as may reasonably be necessary to carry out the purposes for which the Corporation is established, provided that such incidental power shall be exercised in a manner consistent with its tax exempt status as a religious organization as set forth in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or any corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

ARTICLE III

The corporation is organized upon a nonstock basis.

- A. The description and value of its real property assets are: none.
- B. The description and value of its personal property assets are: none.
- C. The corporation is to be financed under the following general plan: contributions, donations, honorariums and stipends.
- D. The corporation is organized on a Directorship basis.

ARTICLE IV

- 1. The name of the resident agent at the registered office: George Bridges
- 2. The address of the registered office is: 3898 James Stoval St, Pensacola Florida 32526 *also Principle*
- 3. The mailing address of the registered office, if different than above:

ARTICLE V

The name(s) and address(es) of the incorporator(s) are as follows:

George Bridges 3898 James Stoval St, Pensacola Florida 32526
 Carolyn Bridges 3898 James Stoval St, Pensacola Florida 32526

ARTICLE VI

- A. **Restrictions and Limitations.** In the conduct of the affairs of the Corporation:
 - 1. The property of the Corporation is irrevocably dedicated to religious, educational and charitable purposes, and 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 to it and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in this Article.
 - 2. 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 (including the publishing or distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office; nor shall the Corporation engage in any activities that are unlawful under applicable federal, state or local laws.
- B. **Miscellaneous; Dissolution.**
 - 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles to the contrary, the Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on:
 - a. by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States internal revenue law),
 - b. by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c) (2) of the

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Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or corresponding provision of any future United States internal revenue law).

2. In the event of the dissolution of the Corporation, 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 go and be distributed to a nonprofit corporation qualifying as an organization exempt under the provisions of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any superseding statute thereof, as the Directors of the Corporation may select and designate; and in no event shall any of said assets or property, in the event of dissolution thereof, go or be distributed or contributed by such directors, for any other such purpose. Any of such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the District 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.

C. **Liability.** Pursuant to Section 209(c) of the Act, MCL 450.2209, no member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation or volunteer officer, as these terms are defined in the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act, (the "Act"), shall be personally liable to the Corporation, its shareholders, or its members for monetary damages for any action taken or any failure to take any action as a director or volunteer officer, except liability for any of the following:

- (i) The amount of a financial benefit received by a director or volunteer officer to which he or she is not entitled.
- (ii) Intentional infliction of harm on the corporation, its shareholders, or members.
- (iii) A violation of section 551.
- (iv) An intentional criminal act.
- (v) A liability imposed under section 497(a).

Pursuant to Section 209(d) of the Act, MCL 450.2209, the Corporation assumes all liability to any person other than the corporation, its shareholders, or its members for all acts or omissions of a volunteer director occurring on or after January 1, 1988 incurred in the good faith performance of the volunteer director's duties. The Corporation shall not, however, be considered to have assumed any liability to the extent that such assumption is inconsistent with the status of the Corporation as an organization described in the Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Pursuant to Section 209(e) of the Act, MCL 450.2209, a provision that the corporation assumes the liability for all acts or omissions of a volunteer director, volunteer officer, or other volunteer occurring on or after the effective date of the provision that grants limited liability if all of the following are met:

- (i) The volunteer was acting or reasonably believed he or she was acting within the scope of his or her authority.
- (ii) The volunteer was acting in good faith.

- (iii) The volunteer's conduct did not amount to gross negligence or willful and wanton misconduct.
- (iv) The volunteer's conduct was not an intentional tort.
- (v) The volunteer's conduct was not a tort arising out of the ownership, maintenance, or use of a motor vehicle for which tort liability may be imposed under section 3135 of the insurance code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.3135.

Pursuant to Section 209(f) of the Act, MCL 450.2209, a provision that reserves to 1 or more members, shareholders, or other persons all or part of the authority to exercise the corporate powers or to manage the business and affairs of the corporation, including the resolution of any issue about which there exists a deadlock among directors, shareholders, or members. A provision authorized under this subsection that limits the discretion or powers of the board relieves the directors of, and imposes on the person or persons in which the discretion or powers are vested, liability for acts or omissions imposed by law on directors to the extent that the discretion or powers of the directors are limited by the provision. The person or persons in which the discretion or powers are vested are treated as a director or directors for the purposes of any limitation or assumption of liability under this section and, except as otherwise provided in the articles of incorporation or bylaws, have the same rights and obligations with respect to indemnification as a director or directors.

If the Act is amended after the filing of these Articles of Incorporation so as to authorize the further elimination or limitation of the liability of directors of nonprofit corporations, then the liability of members of the Board of Directors, in addition to that described in the Article VI, shall be assumed by the Corporation or eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by the Act as so amended. Such an elimination, limitation or assumption of liability is not effective to the extent that it is inconsistent with the status of the Corporation as an organization described in the Internal Revenue Code Section 501 (c)(3) or corresponding section of any future federal tax code. No amendment or repeal of Article VI shall apply to or have any effect on the liability or alleged liability of any member of the Board of Directors of this Corporation for or with respect to any acts or omissions occurring before the effective date of any such amendment or repeal.

D. Amendments. Amendments to these Articles of Incorporation may be adopted by a majority of the directors in the manner set forth in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

Article VII

Directors

P, T, D

George Bridges

S, D


Carolyn Bridges

D

Claudy E. Jones

Having been named as registered agent and to accept services of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in the certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

Registered agent signature

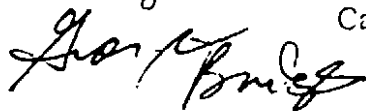
George Bridges 

We, the incorporators sign our names this

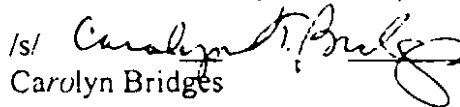
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day of June 2019

/s/ George Bridges
George Bridges



/s/ Carolyn Bridges
Carolyn Bridges



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