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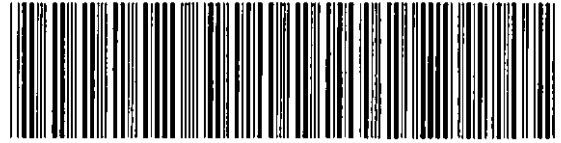
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## **COVER LETTER**

**Mail to:**

Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
P. O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

**SUBJECT:** 1st Light Ministries, Inc.

**(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)**

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

☒ \$78.75  
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& Certified Copy

Once these Articles have been approved, please send a certified copy to the following address:

StartCHURCH  
Attn: Jeniffer Ruiz  
P.O. Box 465017  
Lawrenceville, GA 30042

The contact phone number is (770) 638-3444. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

**FROM:** Kenneth J. Bowman  
7305 Claries Dr.  
Sarasota, FL 34243  
(601) 953-3118

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

# **Articles of Incorporation**

## **1st Light Ministries, Inc.**

### **Florida Not for Profit Corporation**

The undersigned hereby adopts the following articles of incorporation in Compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (Not for Profit).

#### **Article 1 Name**

The name of this corporation shall be 1st Light Ministries, Inc.

#### **Article 2 Principal Office**

The principal street and mailing address is:

7305 Claries Dr.  
Sarasota, FL 34243

#### **Article 3 Purpose**

The specific purpose for which the corporation is initially organized is to teach and preach the gospel to all people; to conduct evangelistic activities; to license and ordain ministers of the gospel; to provide religious, charitable and humanitarian services, and to also engage in activities which are necessary, suitable or convenient for the accomplishment of that purpose, or which are incidental thereto or connected therewith which are consistent with Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. This corporation is organized and operated exclusively for religious purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3), Internal Revenue Code.

#### **Article 4 Manner Of Appointing Directors**

Directors shall be appointed in the manner set forth in the bylaws. Directors may be removed and the vacancies shall be filled in the manner provided by the bylaws.

## **Article 5 Initial Directors**

The directors named in these articles shall serve as initial directors for the ensuing year, or until the first meeting of the corporation, and any vacancies before then shall be filled in the manner set forth in the bylaws.

President/Director	Secretary/Director	Treasurer/Director
Kenneth J. Bowman	Stanley R. Wood	Oliver Ellis, Jr
7305 Claries Dr.	2391 Sumatran Way Apt .63	106 Shenandoah Rd. N.
Sarasota, FL 34243	Clearwater, FL 33763	Brandon, MS 39047

## **Article 6 Initial Registered Office And Agent**

The name and street address of the Initial Registered Agent of the corporation is as follows:

Kenneth J. Bowman  
7305 Claries Dr.  
Sarasota, FL 34243

## **Article 7 Incorporator**

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Kenneth J. Bowman  
7305 Claries Dr.  
Sarasota, FL 34243

## **Article 8 Members**

This corporation shall not have members.

## **Article 9 Term And Dissolution**

The date of commencement of corporate existence shall be when these articles have been filed with the Department of State and approved by it and the respective filing fee has been paid; the term for which the corporation is to exist shall be perpetual.

In the event of dissolution of the corporation, 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 a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction in the county in which the principal office of the organization 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 10 Non Profit Organization**

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall ever 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 article 3. 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 provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other 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 or: (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue laws.

## **Article 11 Bylaws**

The first bylaws of the corporation shall be adopted by the board of directors and may be amended, altered or rescinded by the board of directors in the manner provided by such bylaws.

## **Article 12 Amendments To Articles Of Incorporation**

These articles of incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by statute or in the following manner:

Every amendment shall be approved by the board of directors.

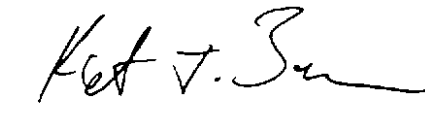
I, THE UNDERSIGNED INCORPORATOR, for the purposes of becoming a corporation not for profit under the provisions of the laws of Florida, do make and affix my signature to acknowledge and file in the office of the Secretary of State these articles of incorporation.



Kenneth J. Bowman

9/30/24  
Date

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.



Kenneth J. Bowman

9/30/24  
Date