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# ARTICLES OF AMENDAMENT

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### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

# OF GOSPEL TABERNACLE OF PLANT CITY, FLORIDA, INC. (A Corporation Not-For-Profit)

# ARTICLE ONE - NAME

The name of this Corporation shall be GOSPEL TABERNACLE OF PLANT CITY, FLORIDA, INC., with its principal place of business located at 801 Wilkins Avenue, Plant City, Hillsborough County, Florida.

#### ARTICLE TWO - DURATION

The Corporation shall have a perpetual existence.

## ARTICLE THREE - PURPOSE

# A. GENERAL

The Corporation shall have unlimited power to engage in and to do any lawful act concerning any or all lawful business for which the Corporation may be organized under this act, including but not limited to providing the following:

- 1. Christian worship and service in accordance with the doctrines of the Holy Scriptures and the tenets and beliefs of GOSPEL TABERNACLE OF PLANT CITY, FLORIDA, INC., for the benefit enjoyment of its members; seek the salvation of the lost through the preaching and teaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; and promote Christian fellowship through spreading the Gospel within its associational affiliations and throughout the world.
- 2. To promote the purposes and intents outlined in the Constitution and Disciplinary Orders of the **GOSPEL TABERNACLE OF PLANT CITY, INC**.
- 3. Enter into transactions for the purchase, sale and/or mortgage of real and personal property and associated activities to secure, use and maintain such buildings and facilities as



needed to carry out the religious worship and activities according to the doctrines, usages and customs of the GOSPEL TABERNACLE OF PLANT CITY, INC.

- 4. Do each and every thing necessary, suitable or proper for the accomplishment of any of the purposes or the attainment of any one or more of the subject areas herein enumerated, or which may at any time appear conducive to or expedient for the protection or benefit of this Corporation, and to do said acts as fully and to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, in any part of the world as principals, agents, partners, trustees, or otherwise, either alone or in conjunction with any other person, association or corporation.
- 5. The foregoing clause shall be construed both as purposes and powers and shall not be held to limit or restrict in any manner the general powers of the Corporation, or the enjoyment and exercise of these powers as conferred by the laws of the State of Florida and the United States of America.
- 6. It is intended that this Corporation shall have the status of a Corporation which is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501 (a) of the Code as an organization described in Section 501 (c)(3) of the Code. These Articles shall be construed accordingly, and all powers and activities of the Corporation shall be limited accordingly.

# **B.** RESTRICTIONS

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 Subpart A of this Article III. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall involve the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (i) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Code; or (ii) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c)(2) of the Code.

#### ARTICLE FOUR - MEMBERSHIP

The membership in this Corporation shall be extended to any person who is presently a member of the Church and to any person interested in the principles outlined in the purposes

stated in Article III hereof, and the qualifications and manner of their admission and retention of membership shall be as specified in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

# ARTICLE FIVE - MANAGEMENT

The affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors, which Board shall consist of not less than three (3) directors, elected by the members at the annual meeting of the members, and they shall hold office until their successors are duly elected and qualified. Such Board of Directors, at its annual meeting, shall elect a Chairperson, one or more Vice Chairpersons, a Secretary and a Treasurer, and such other Directors or officers as may from time-to-time be necessary to administer actively the affairs of the Corporation, such officers to hold office at the pleasure of the Board of Directors, or until their successors are duly elected and qualified. Such officers shall have such duties, tenure and compensation as may be specified by the Board of Directors. Vacancies occurring in the Board of Directors and in the officers, by death, resignation, expulsion or otherwise, shall be filled in the manner prescribed by the Bylaws, and the number of directors shall be fixed at the annual meeting of the members, or as prescribed by the Bylaws. The names, titles of officers, and addresses of the members constituting the initial Board of Directors are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	Address
PASTOR RICHARD E. CALLINS	President / Chairperson	1417 Piney Branch Circle Valrico, Florida 33594
ELDER ANTHONY L. HOLMES	Vice President / Chairperson	1504 Gotham Court Plant City, Florida 33563
SISTER PRISCILLA W, HOLMES	Secretary	1504 Gotham Court Plant City, Florida 33563
DEACON CURTIS FLUELLEN	Treasurer	304 South Franklin Street Plant City, Florida 33563
ELDER SAMUEL STEVENSON	Director	1008 South Board Street Plant City, Florida 33563
DEACON JEFFREY RUTH	Director	1105 West Madison Street Plant City, Florida 33563

# 'ARTICLE SIX - BYLAWS

The affairs of the Corporation shall be governed by the Bylaws adopted by the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE SEVEN - MEETINGS

Regular meetings and the annual business meeting of the Corporation shall be held on a date and at a time designated by the officer of the Corporation. These meetings shall be held to receive reports of committees and auxiliaries, plan the Corporation's programs and activities, and act upon such other corporate business as may be proper.

# ARTICLE EIGHT - AMENDMENTS

The Corporation reserves the right to amend the Articles of Incorporation at any regular or special meeting of the members by **two-thirds (2/3) affirmative** vote of the membership after proposal by the Board of Directors, as provided in the Bylaws or in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida, and the aforesaid Constitution and Disciplinary Orders.

# ARTICLE NINE - DISTRIBUTIONS ON LIQUIDATION OR DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of this Corporation, or the liquidation of its assets, whether voluntary or involuntary or by operation of law, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all liabilities of the Corporation, distribute all of the assets of the Corporation exclusively for the purposes of the Corporation, in such manner, or to such organizations organized and operated exclusively for religious, charitable or educational purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Code, as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any of such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes. In no event shall any of the net assets of the Corporation be distributed to or for benefit of any member, officer, or director of the Corporation or to any other individual; provided, however, that nothing contained in this Article shall be construed to prevent a distribution from the net assets of the Corporation to another distributee, otherwise properly made in accordance with the provisions of these Articles and the purposes herein stated solely by reason of the fact that one or more of the members, officers, or directors of the Corporation may be connected or associated with the distributee as a shareholder, member, trustee, director, officer or in any other capacity.

The foregoing amendments in Articles Five, Six and Eight were adopted by the members of this corporation on February 5, 2006, and the number of votes cast therefore was sufficient for approval.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned president and secretary of this corporation have executed these Articles of Amendment on Andrew Aday of February, 2006.

Pastor Richard E. Callins

President

Sister Priscilla W. Holmes

Secretary

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

The foregoing Amended Articles of Incorporation of GOSPEL TABERNACLE OF PLANT CITY, FLORIDA, INC. were acknowledged by me this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of February 2006, by the above named individuals, as Incorporators.

My Commission Expires:

Notary Public - State Of Florida

IRENE A. DYKES
Notary Public, State Of Florida
My Commission Expires 1/09/09
Commission No. #DD383199