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Division of Corporations Florida Department of State 409 East Gaines Street Tallahassee, Florida 32301

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Re Articles of Incorporation -- Jesus Saves Ministries, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam

Enclosed for filing with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, are the Articles of Incorporation of Jesus Saves Ministries, Inc., a new Florida non-profit corporation and the Certificate Designating Resident Agent. A copy of the Articles is enclosed for your use in returning to me a certified copy of the Articles once they have been filed.

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$122.50 to pay the filing fee for the Articles, the Certificate Designating Resident Agent and a certified copy of same.

I have enclosed a Federal Express Package and label for your use in returning the documents to my attention.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Roberta J. Creightor

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Enclosures

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

JESUS SAVES MINISTRIES, INC.

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# Article L. Name

The name of this corporation is JESUS SAVES MINISTRIES, INC.

# Article IL - Perpetual Duration

The corporation shall have perpetual duration—It is a non-profit corporation as described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code

### Article III - Initial Registered Office and Agent

The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation is 3034 Atlantic Avenue, Eaton Park, Florida 33840, and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation is Roberta J Creighton.

## Article IV - Purpose

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are as follows

- A. To witness to and implement the Gospel of Jesus Christ in Florida and throughout the United States and the world by providing helps to people in need;
  - B To cooperate with other charitable organizations by providing helps to people in need;
  - C To communicate the Gospel of Jesus Christ by means of the spoken and written word;
- D. To receive, maintain, and accept as assets of the corporation any property, whether real, personal, or mixed, by way of gift, bequest, devise or purchase from any person, firm, trust, or corporation, to be held, administered and disposed of exclusively for charitable, religious, educational,

and scientific purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and in accordance with and pursuant to the provisions of these Articles of Incorporation, but no gift, bequest, devise, or purchase of any such property shall be received or made and accepted if it is conditioned or limited in such manner as shall require the disposition of income or principal to any organization other than a "charitable organization" or for any purposes other than a "charitable purposes" which would jeopardize the status of the corporation as an entity exempt from federal income tax pursuant to the relevant provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended; and

E To exclusively promote and carry on any other religious, charitable, or educational purposes and activities for which corporations may be organized and operated under the relevant provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and under the Florida Nonprofit Corporation Code

### Article V - Management

The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a board of directors. The method of election of directors and members shall be as determined by the by-laws of the corporation.

### Article VI - Duties of Corporation

The corporation shall hold and manage all property received and accepted by it to be administered hereunder, and shall pay over, transfer, distribute, administer, or otherwise deal with the principal and income thereof, in such manner or manners and at such time or times, as in the judgment of the directors shall be suited to carrying out the foregoing purposes, including without hereby limiting the generality of the foregoing language, the acquisition by purchase, gift, rental, or otherwise, and the management, care, sale, or lease, or other disposition of, real property, and interest in real property, including buildings and other improvements thereon, the construction,

reconstruction, repair and/or alteration of such buildings, and other improvements, the acquisition by purchase, gift, rental or otherwise, and the preparation, sale, dispensation, lease, or other disposition of equipment, supplies, and other personal property and interests in personal property of whatsoever name or nature, and the retention of the services (whether directly or through contract or other arrangement with others), or employment of professional personnel, managers, administrators, assistants, secretaries, and other persons, agents, servants and employees, provided, always, however, that no part of the property held by the corporation, or the earnings thereon, shall inure or be individual and no substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, or the participation in, or intervention (including the publishing or distributing of statements) in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

### Article VII - Dissolution

In the event of the dissolution of this corporation, to the extent allowed under applicable law, all of the assets of the corporation shall be distributed to, or its assets shall be sold and the proceeds distributed to, another organization organized and operating for the same purposes for which this corporation is organized and operating, or to one or more corporations, funds or foundations organized and operating exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, literary or educational purposes, which said corporations, funds or foundations shall be exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or as subsequently amended, which shall be selected by the board of directors of the corporation. In the event that for any reason the corporation shall fail to act in the manner herein provided within a reasonable time, the Judge of the Circuit Court of Polk County shall

make such distribution as herein provided upon the application of one or more persons having a real interest in the corporation or its assets

# Article VIII - Charitable Organization

In this Articles of Incorporation and in any amendments to it, the terms "charitable organizations" or "charitable organization" shall mean corporations, trusts, funds, foundations, community chests or other organizations created or organized in the United States or any of its possessions, whether under the laws of the States or of any state or territory of the United States, the District of Columbia, or any possessions of the United States, and operated exclusively for charitable purposes, no part of the net earnings of which inures or is payable to or for the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, and no substantial part of the activities of which is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and which do not participate in, or intervene (including the publishing or distributing of statements) in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. The organizations described in this Article VIII shall be such only as are entitled to exemption from income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or acts in amendments thereof or substitutions therefor.

# Article IX - Charitable Purposes

In this Article of Incorporation and any amendments to it, the term "charitable purposes" shall mean, and shall be limited to and shall include only, religious, charitable, scientific, literary or educational purposes within the meaning of those words as used in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or acts in amendments thereof or substitution therefor.

### Article X - Powers

As a means of accomplishing the foregoing charitable, religious and educational purposes, the corporation shall have the following powers in addition to those set forth in Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes

- To adopt, amend and alter by-laws of the corporation governing its internal affairs.
- To elect and appoint officers, agents, and employees, consistent with said by-laws and this Charter and not in violation of State law
- To borrow money, and, from time to time, to make, accept, endorse, execute, and issue bonds, debentures, promissory notes, bills of exchange, and other obligations of the corporation for monies borrowed or in payment for property acquired or for any of the other purposes of the corporation, and to secure the payment of any such obligations by mortgage, pledge, deed of trust, indenture, agreement, or other instrument of trust or by other privilege upon, assignment of, or agreement in regard to all or any part of the property, rights, or privileges of the corporation wherever situated, whether now owned or hereafter to be acquired.
- 4. To invest and reinvest its funds in such stock, common or preferred, bonds, debentures, mortgages, or in such other securities and property as may be provided for in the by-laws of the corporation subject to the limitations and conditions contained in any bequest, devise, grant, or gift, provided such limitations and conditions are not in conflict with the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and its regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended.
- 5 In general, and subject to such limitations and conditions as are or may be prescribed by law, to exercise such other powers which are now or hereafter may be conferred by law upon a

corporation organized for the purposes hereinabove set forth, or reasonably necessary to the attainment of the purposes of the corporation, subject to the further limitation and conditions that, notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, only such powers shall be exercised as are in furtherance of the tax-exempt purposes of the corporation and as may be exercised by an organization exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and its regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended

- 6. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, directors, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensations for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in these Articles of Incorporation. 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 any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.
- 7. Anything contained in these Articles of Incorporation to the contrary notwithstanding, the corporation shall not carry on or otherwise engage in any activities not permitted to be carried on or engaged in by (i) a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended; or any corresponding section of any future tax code; (ii) a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or any corresponding section of any future tax code; or (iii) a corporation organized and existing under the Florida Nonprofit Corporation Code

In the event of the dissolution and liquidation of this corporation, to the extent allowed or permitted under applicable laws, the property and assets of the corporation shall be, as determined by the board of directors, distributed to or sold and the proceeds of such sales distributed to any other organization(s) organized and operating for the same purposes for which the corporation is organized and operating or organization(s), foundation(s), fund(s), or corporation(s) organized and operating exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, educational or other purposes permitted by Section 501(c)(30 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, all of which such organizations, foundations, funds or corporations shall be exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended. In the event that any assets are not disposed of in accordance with the provisions of these Articles of Incorporation or that the corporation shall fail to act within a reasonable time in the manner provided in these Articles of Incorporation, the Court of Polk County shall, upon application of one or more persons having a real interest in the corporation or its assets, make such distribution(s) as provided in these Articles of Incorporation.

### Article XI - Initial Board of Directors

The initial board of directors shall consist of eight (8) members. The names and addresses of the initial directors of this corporation are:

Sheila J. Holton 3214 Iowa Road Lakeland, Florida 33803

Wayne Holton, Jr. 859 Buttercup Prive Lakeland, Florida 33801

Carol Annen 84 Lake Otis Road Winter Haven, Florida 33884 Rhonda A. Holton 3214 Iowa Avenue Lakeland, Florida 33803

Kimberly M. Esposito-Allen 3109 Woodstock Avenue Eaton Park, Florida 33840

Nancy Lee 335 Griffin Avenue Lakeland, Florida 33801 Tammy Holton 859 Buttercup Drive Lakeland, Florida 33801 Adam Allen 3109 Woodstock Avenue Enton Park, Florida 33840

# Article XII - Incorporators

The names and addresses of the persons signing these Articles of Incorporation are:

Sheila J. Holton 3214 Iowa Road Lakeland, Florida 33803

Wayne L. Holton, Jr. 859 Buttercup Drive Lakeland, Florida 33801

Kimborly M. Esposito-Allon 3109 Woodstock Avenue Eaton Park, Florida 33840 Rhonda A. Holton 3214 Iowa Road Lakeland, Florida 33803

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscribers have executed these Articles of Incorporation this 29th day of August, 1996.

Signed, Scaled and Delivered in the presence of:

NAME: Roberth Cresh SHEILA J. HOLJION

SHEILA J. HOLJION

NAME: Julia L. Farless

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF POLK

BEFORE ME, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared SHEILA J. HOLTON, who is personally known to me or who produced \_\_\_\_\_\_ as evidence of identification and, who, being duly sworn, deposed, stated and acknowledged that she signed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation freely and voluntarily and for the purposes therein expressed.

JULIA L. FARLESS Notary Public, State of Florida My comm. expires Sept. 18, 1998 Comm. No. CC 407615

Notary Public

My Commission Expires

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STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF POLK

BEFORE ME, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared WAYNE L. HOLTON, JR., who is personally known to me or who produced <u>a Fla drivers licerse</u> as evidence of identification and, who, being duly sworn, deposed, stated and acknowledged that she signed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation freely and voluntarily and for the purposes therein expressed.

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JULIA L. FARLESS
Notary Public, State of Florida
My comm. expires Sept. 18, 1998
Comm. No. CC 407615

Notary Public
My Commission Expires:

(SEAL)

NAME Roberta Creighton

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NAME: Julia L. Farless

KIMBERLY E. ALLEN

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STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF POLK

M. ESPOSITO-ALLEN

BEFORE ME, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared KIMBERLY E. ALLEN, who is personally known to me or who produced a Fla. drivers license as evidence of identification and, who, being duly sworn, deposed, stated and acknowledged that she signed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation freely and voluntarily and for the purposes therein expressed.

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JULIA L. FARLESS Notary Pub c State of Florida My comm. expires Sept. 18, 1998 Comm. No. CC 407615

Notary Public

My Commission Expires

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STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF POLK

BEFORE ME, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared RHONDA A. HOLTON, who is personally known to me or who produced a fla drivers facerae as evidence of identification and, who, being duly sworn, deposed, stated and acknowledged that she signed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation freely and voluntarily and for the purposes therein expressed.

**JULIA L. FARLESS** Notary Public, State of Florida My comm. expires Sept. 18, 1998 Comm. No. CC 407615

Notary Public
My Commission Expires:

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# OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS SEL -3 PH 1: 13 WITHIN THIS STATE, NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED TALLED.

Pursuant to Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted in compliance with said Act

That JESUS SAVES MINISTRIES, INC., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation at 3034 Atlantic Avenue, Eaton Park, Polk County, Florida, has named ROBERTA J. CREIGHTON located at 50 Lake Morton Drive, Lakeland, Florida 33801, as it agent to accept service of process within this state

# **ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at eh place designated in this Certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of said Act relative to keeping said office open.

ROBERTA J. CREIGHTON, Resident Agent