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

RE: Berean Church of God of Port St. Lucie, Inc.

Enclosed please find a check in the amount of $70.00 for filing the enclosed Articles of Incorporation.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Glenn T. Shelby

GLENN T. SHELBY

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Enclosure

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF
BEREAN CHURCH OF GOD OF PORT ST. LUCIE, INC.
A FLORIDA NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION

The undersigned persons, acting as incorporators of a corporation not for profit under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, as set forth in Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

ARTICLE I.

The name of the corporation is Berean Church of God of Port St. Lucie, Inc.

ARTICLE II.

The corporation shall have a perpetual duration.

ARTICLE III.

The corporation is a not for profit corporation. The purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

(a) The specific and primary purposes for which this corporation is formed are to operate for the advancement of The Christian Faith and for other charitable purposes, by the distribution of its funds for such purposes.

(b) The general purposes for which this corporation is formed ar to operate exclusively for such religious purposes as will qualify it as an exempt organization under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations which qualify as tax-exempt organizations under that Code.

(c) This corporation shall not, as a substantial part of its activities, carry on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation; nor shall it participate or intervene (by publication or distribution or any statements or otherwise) in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

ARTICLE IV.

The corporation is organized upon a nonstock basis as defined in Section 617.011 of the Florida Statutes. The corporation shall have a membership distinct from the board of directors. The authorized number and qualifications of the members of the corporation, the manner of their admission, the different classes of membership, if any, the property, voting, and other rights and privileges of members, and their liability for dues and assessments and the method of collection thereof, shall be as regulated in the bylaws.

ARTICLE V.

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 2097 S.E. Stonecrop St., Port St. Lucie, FL 34984, County of St. Lucie. The name of its initial registered agent at such address is Ephraim A. Jackson.

ARTICLE VI.

The powers of this corporation shall be exercised, its property controlled, and its affairs conducted by a board of directors. The number of directors of the corporation shall be four; provided, however, that such number may be changed by a bylaw duly adopted pursuant to the bylaws of this corporation.

Directors elected at the first annual meeting, and all times thereafter, shall serve for a term of one year. Annual meetings shall be held at Port St. Lucie, Florida, on the first Wednesday in November of each year at the principal office of the corporation, or at such other place or places as the board of directors may designate from time to time by resolution.

Any action required or permitted to be taken by the board of directors under any provision of law may be taken without a meeting, if all the members of the board shall individually or collectively consent in writing to such action. Such written consent or consents shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the board, and any such action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as if taken by unanimous vote of the directors. Any certificate or other document filed under any provision of law that related to action so taken shall state that the action was taken by unanimous written consent of the board of directors without a meeting and that the articles of incorporation and by laws of this corporation authorize the directors to so act. Such a statement shall be prima facie evidence of such authority.

The names and residential addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

Name	Residential Address
Ephraim A. Jackson	824 Interlake Dr. Lakeland, FL 33801
Rachel McKenzie	2097 S.E. Stonecrop St. Port St. Lucie, FL 34984
Valrose A. Laing	2913 S.E. Bella Rd. Port St. Lucie, FL 34984
Olive P. Vinkemulder	Box 8300 Port St. Lucie, FL 34985

ARTICLE X.

The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to charitable purposes and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer, or member thereof, or to the benefit of any private individual.

ARTICLE XI.

Upon the dissolution or winding up of this corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of the corporation, shall be distributed to a not for profit fund, foundation, or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for religious or charitable purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.

ARTICLE XII.

Amendments to these articles of incorporation may be proposed by a resolution adopted by the board of directors and presented to a quorum of members for their vote. Amendments may be adopted by a vote of at least two-thirds of a quorum of members of the corporation.

The undersigned, being the incorporator of this corporation, for the purpose of forming this not for profit charitable corporation under the Laws of Florida, has executed these articles of incorporation on November 26, 1996.

Ephraim A. Jackson
EPHRAIM A. JACKSON

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF POLK
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this date by EPHRAIM A. JACKSON, who is personally known to me or who have produced drivers licenses as identification.

Glenn T. Shelby
Glenn T. Shelby
NOTARY PUBLIC
SEAL:

GLENN T. SHELBY
MY COMMISSION # CC 307598
EXPIRES: September 29, 1997
Bonded Thru Notary Public Underwriters

Berisford A. Laing	2913 S.E. Bella Rd. Port St. Lucie, FL 34984
Norris Weir	2949 S.E. Bella Rd. Port St. Lucie, FL 34984

ARTICLE VII.

The name and address of the incorporator is:

Name	Address
Ephraim A. Jackson	2097 S.E. Stonecrop St. Port St. Lucie, FL 34984

ARTICLE VIII.

The board of directors shall elect the following officers: President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary, and such other officers as the bylaws of this corporation may authorize the directors to elect from time to time. Initially, such officers shall be elected at the first annual meeting of the board of directors. Until such election is held, the following persons shall serve as corporate officers:

Names:

Ephraim A. Jackson	President
Rachel McKenzie	Vice President
Valrose A. Laing	Secretary
Olive P. Vinkemulder	Treasurer
Berisford A. Laing	Director
Norris Weir	Director

ARTICLE IX.

Subject to the limitations contained in the bylaws and any limitations set forth in the Not For Profit Corporation Act of Florida described above, concerning corporate action that must be authorized or approved by the members of the corporation, the bylaws of this corporation may be made, altered, rescinded, added to, or new bylaws may be adopted, either by a resolution of the board of directors or by following the procedure set forth therefor in the bylaws.

It is necessary to file this Certificate within thirty days after filing Certificate of Incorporation, as to domestic corporations and within thirty days after the issuance of permit to foreign corporation; and thereafter when corporation has changed its place of business or agent or changed its officers and/or directors.

STATE OF FLORIDA

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Certificate Designating Place of Business or Domicile for the service of Process within this State, Naming Agent Upon Whom Process may be served and names and addresses of the officers and directors.

In pursuance of Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted, in compliance with said Act:

First, that BEREAN CHURCH OF GOD OF PORT ST. LUCIE, INC., a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, with its registered office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation, at City of Port St. Lucie, County of St. Lucie, and State of Florida, has named Ephraim A. Jackson, located at 2097 Stonecrop St., Port St. Lucie, FL 34984, its agent to accept service of process within the State.

OFFICERS:	TITLES:	SPECIFIC ADDRESS:
EPHRAIM A. JACKSON	PRESIDENT	2097 S.E. Stonecrop St. Port St. Lucie, FL 34984
RACHEL MCKENZIE	VICE PRESIDENT	2097 S.E. Stonecrop St. Port St. Lucie, FL 34984
VALROSE A. LAING	SECRETARY	2913 S.E. Bella Rd. Port St. Lucie, FL 34984
OLIVE P. VINKEMULDER	TREASURER	Box 8300 Port St. Lucie, FL 34985
BERISFORD A. LAING	DIRECTOR	2913 S.E. Bella Rd. Port St. Lucie, FL 34984
NORRIS WEIR	DIRECTOR	2949 S.E. Bella Rd. Port St. Lucie, FL 34984

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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

Ephraim A. Jackson

EPHRAIM A. JACKSON,
PRESIDENT

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

Ephraim A. Jackson

EPHRAIM A. JACKSON