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H9700002021 ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION CENTER FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION, INCIDE 10 AM 8: 24 a Not-For-Profit Florida Corporation

I, the undersigned incorporator of this corporation under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. as amended, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

#### ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation is: Center for Religious Education, Inc., a Not-For-Profit Florida Corporation.

#### ARTICLE II

The corporation is organized exclusively to operate, maintain, conduct and otherwise provide services as a religious school, educational facility, nursery, kindergarten or childhood day-care facility, and provide related religious study programs, primarily of the BAPTIST faith, to the public and conduct related services, teaching and religious instruction, as a notfor-profit and charitable organization. It is intended to organize, structure and maintain the foregoing in compliance with applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and State of Florida Statutes and State Department of Revenue regulations, to avail the corporation of notfor-profit status and benefits of operation as a tax exempt organization.

#### ARTICLE III

All income shall be used for the benefit of the corporation except that reasonable compensation may be paid to any participating individual for services rendered to or for the corporation affecting one or more of its purposes and expenditures to such entities or individuals providing contractual services for said corporation.

#### ARTICLE IV

Any amendment or amendments resoission to the articles of incorporation may be Prepared by: Sheldon Evans, P.A. 6175 N.W. 153rd St., #215

Miami Lakes, FL 33014

Tel: (305) 557-6060, Fax: (305) 557-7766

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#### ARTICLE IV

Any amendment or amendments rescission to the articles of incorporation may be made by the membership in accordance with the By Laws of the corporation, or by the Directors at any annual or special meeting called for that purpose in accordance with the By Laws of the corporation.

#### ARTICLE\_IV

The Corporation shall have perpetual existence.

#### ARTICLE V

The principal office of this Corporation shall be 5301 N.E. 5th Avc., Miami, Fl 33137, or such other place as may be designated by the Board of Directors.

The initial Board of Directors shall consist of 3 members. The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time to time by vote of the stockholders, and as set forth in the By-Laws as to the method of Election of Directors, but in no case shall the number of directors be less than three.

#### ARTICLE VI

The name and addresses of the members of the first Board of Directors are:

<u>Name</u>	Address
Bess L. Johnson	5301 N.L. 5th Ave. Miami, FL 33137
Lela Wilson	9947 South Van Vlissingen Chicago, IL 60617
Yvonne Tinsley	126 Vasar Avenue Newark, NJ 07112

ARTICLE VII

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The Registered Agent of the Corporation to accept service of process within the State of Florida is initially designated as Sheldon Evans, P.A. 6175 N.W. 153rd Street, Suite 215, Miami Lakes, Florida 33014, who by his signing of these Articles of Incorporation accepts this designation and agrees to comply with the provisions of Section 48.091, Florida Statutes, relative to keeping open the office for service of process. The registered office of the Corporation shall be at 6175 N.W. 153rd Street, Suite 215, Miami Lakes, Florida 33014.

#### ARTICLE VIII

The name of the members of the initial officers are:

NAME

TELLE

Bess L. Johnson

President

Bess L. Johnson

Secretary/Treasurer

#### ARTICLE IX

In the absence of fraud, no contract or other transaction between this Corporation and any other person, corporation, firm, association or partnership shall be affected or invalidated by the fact that any director or officer of this Corporation is pecuniarily or otherwise interested therein. Any director may be counted in determining the existence of a quorum at any meeting of the Board of Directors of this Corporation for the purposes of authorizing any such contract or transaction with alike force and effect as if he were not so interested or were not a director, member or officer of such other corporation, firm, association or partnership.

#### ARTICLE X

The name and address of the sole incorporator and subscriber is:

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Address

Bess I., Johnson

5301 N.E. 5th Avc.

Miami, FI 33137

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed these Articles of Incorporation this 8th day of December, 1997.

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Sole Ipporporator

SHELDON EVANS, P.A., as Registered Agont/Acceptance Acknowledged accepting designation as set forth in Article VII above and accepting compliance with provisions of Fla Stat. Section 48.091