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Secretary of the State of Florida Division of Corporations Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

RE:

GRACE, methodist in doctrine, INC.

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed please find original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation for GRACE, methodist in doctrine, INC. Also enclosed is our check in the amount of \$70.0 representing the fee for filing the incorporation.

Please forward the articles number to this office.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter, and if you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact my office.

Sincerely.

GARY A. POE

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Enclosures: Articles, Check for fee

cc: GRACE, methodist in doctrine, INC.

of the

Inverness: Phone (352) 726-4000 • Fax (352) 726-9566

Ocala: Phone (352) 237-3304 • Fax (352) 237-0488

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

GRACE (methodist in doctrine), INC.,

A Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation



WE, the undersigned, hereby associate ourselves together for the purpose of becoming a corporation not for profit under Chapter 617, Laws of the State of Florida, providing for the formation, liability, rights, privileges and immunities of a corporation not for profit.

ARTICLE I

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CORPORATION

The name of this corporation shall be GRACE (methodist in doctrine), INC. and its principal office is located at: 103 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida 34450 and mailing address is: P.O. Box 780387 Orlando, Florida 32879-0387.

ARTICLE II

GENERAL NATURE OF BUSINESS

- A. The general purposes for which this corporation is formed is to develop and encourage a good religious foundation.
- B. This corporation is organized and operated exclusively for non-profit purposes, and no part of any net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any member, director or officer.
- C. This corporation shall have and exercise all rights and powers conferred upon non-profit corporations under the laws of the State of Florida, provided however, that this corporation is not empowered to engage in any activity that in itself is not in furtherance of its purposes as set forth above.

- D. This corporation shall make contracts and incur liabilities, borrow money at such rates of interest as the corporation may determine, issue its notes, bonds and other obligations, and secure any of its obligations by mortgage and pledge all of any of its property, franchise or income.
- E. This corporation shall conduct its affairs, carry on its operations, and have officers and exercise, in any state, territory, district of possession of the United States or any foreign country, the power granted by the By-Laws of this Corporation.
- F. This corporation shall purchase, take, receive, lease, take by gift, devise or bequest, invest in, improve, plant, harvest or otherwise deal in and with real or personal property or any interest therein wherever situated.
- G. This corporation shall acquire, enjoy, utilize and dispose of patents, copyrights and trademarks and any licenses and other rights of interest thereunder or therein.
- H. This corporation shall sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, lease, exchange, transfer or otherwise dispose of all or any part of its property and assets.
- I. This corporation shall purchase, take, receive, subscribe for, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, vote, use, employ, sell, mortgage, lend, pledge or otherwise dispose of and otherwise use and deal in and with, shares and other interest in, or obligations of, other domestic or foreign corporations, whether for profit or not for profit, associations, partnerships or individuals, or direct or indirect obligations of the United States or of any other government, state, territory, governmental district, municipality, or of any instrumentality thereof.
- J. This corporation shall lend money for its corporate purpose, invest and reinvest its funds, and take and hold real and personal property as security for the payment of funds so loaned or invested.

- K. This corporation shall make and accept donations for the public welfare or for religious, charitable, scientific, educational, or other similar purposes.
- L. This corporation shall have and exercise all powers necessary or convenient to effect any or all of the purposes for which the corporation is organized.
- M. This corporation may merge and consolidate with other corporations not for profit, domestic and foreign.
- N. This corporation shall generally have and exercise all rights and powers conferred on non-profit corporations under the laws of the State of Florida, on which may hereafter be conferred.
- O. This corporation shall formulate, charter, establish and operate as necessary, any and all functions pertinent to the furtherance of the primary purpose of this corporation.
- P. This corporation, notwithstanding any of the above statements of powers and purposes, shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the primary purpose of this Corporation.

ARTICLE III

TERM

This corporation shall have a perpetual existence.

ARTICLE IV

DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors of this corporation shall consist of a minimum of three (3) members.

The name and address of each person who is to serve as a member of the initial Board of Directors are:

1) REV. LARRY POWERS - P.O. Box 130, Inverness, Florida 34451;

- 2) DR. BOB F. BLACKBURN, P.O. Box 780387, Orlando, Florida 32878-0387; and
- 3) BRENDA FONTENOT, 9923 S. Evans Point, Inverness, Florida 34452.

From the Board of Directors three (3) shall be elected as Trustees. It is the job of the Trustees to act on behalf of the Board upon the direction of the Board. No Board member, that is not a Trustee, may act on behalf of the Board. The Trustees shall be the sole voice of the Board of Directors and shall have no authority absent a written designation signed by both the President and Secretary of the Board detailing the permitted action. However, on written designation, by all members of Trustee, any one or all trustees may so act on behalf of all trustees. The following is the initial list of Trustees:

- 1) REV. LARRY POWERS P.O. Box 130, Inverness, Florida 34451;
- 2) DR. BOB F. BLACKBURN, P.O. Box 780387, Orlando, Florida 32878-0387; and
- 3) BRENDA FONTENOT, 9923 S. Evans Point, Inverness, Florida 34452.

ARTICLE V

OFFICERS

The Officers of this corporation shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, and such other Officers as provided by the By-Laws. The initial offices shall be held by the following persons:

- 1) President: DR. BOB F. BLACKBURN, P.O. Box 780387, Orlando, Florida 32878-0387;
- 2) Vice President: DR. BOB F. BLACKBURN, P.O. Box 780387, Orlando, Florida 32878-0387; and
- 3) Secretary and Treasurer: DR. BOB F. BLACKBURN, P.O. Box 780387, Orlando, Florida 32878-0387.

ARTICLE VI

BY-LAWS

The power to amend, alter, or repeal the By-Laws or adopt new By-Laws, shall be fixed in the membership of this Corporation, provided however, that in order to alter, repeal or amend the By-Laws or to adopt new By-Laws there shall be required the affirmative vote to do so by not less than two-thirds of the membership present at any general or special meeting, and provided further, that written notice of the proposed action has been given each member at their last known address at least ten (10) days prior to said general or special meeting.

ARTICLE VII

AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The power to amend, alter, or repeal the Articles of Incorporation shall be fixed in the membership of this Corporation; provided however, that in order to alter, repeal, or amend the Articles of Incorporation, or to adopt new Articles of Incorporation, there shall be required the affirmative vote to do so by not less than two-thirds of the membership present at any general or special meeting, and provided there is not less than two thirds of the registered membership present at any such general or special meeting, and provided further that provable written notice of the proposed action has been given each member at his last known address at least ten (10) days prior to said general or special meeting.

ARTICLE VIII

MEMBERSHIP

Members are defined as those individuals admitted upon profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ who make said profession before the membership and are accepted by the Membership at Large. To be eligible for membership, the applicant must have demonstrated to the Board and/or Officers' satisfaction, a true desire and ability to contribute to the purposes and aims of this Corporation as outlined in these Articles.

ARTICLE IX

MANAGEMENT OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

- A. Board of Directors. The powers of this Corporation shall be exercised, its properties controlled, and its affairs conducted by a Board of a minimum of three (3) Directors. The number of Directors herein provided for may be changed by a By-Law adopted by the members entitled to vote. Directors shall be elected annually by a majority vote of the membership.
- B. Effective Officers. The Officers of this Corporation shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary and/or Treasurer. Other offices and officers may be established or appointed by members of this corporation at any regular annual meeting. The qualifications, the time and manner of electing or appointing, the duties of, the terms of office, and the manner of removing officers shall be as set forth in the By-Laws.
- C. Standing Committees. This Corporation shall have other committees as may be specified in the By-Laws or may be appointed from time to time by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE X

POWERS

The Corporation shall have all the powers granted Non-Profit Corporations under the laws of the State of Florida. However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Corporation shall exercise only such powers as are in furtherance of the exempt purposes of the organizations set forth in the Subsection of Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 under which the

Corporation chooses to qualify for exemption, as the same now exists, or as it may be amended from time to time.

ARTICLE XI

INCOME FROM PUBLIC EVENTS

If this Corporation holds any events in which the members of the general public are invited to participate for a fee, the net proceeds, if any, attributable to such participation by non-members will be paid over to an organization which is exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code on an annual basis.

ARTICLE XII

DISSOLUTION

In the event of dissolution of this Corporation, no member shall be entitled to any distribution or division of its remaining property or its proceeds, and the balance of all money and other property received by the Corporation, from any sources, after the payment of all debts and obligations of the Corporation, shall be used or distributed exclusively for the purposes within the intendment of Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code as the same now exists or as it may be amended from time to time.

ARTICLE XIII

INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator of this corporation is: GARY A POE, 103

North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida 34450.

STATE OF FLORIDA: COUNTY OF CITRUS:

BEFORE ME the undersigned officer, personally appeared GARY A. POE, personally known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same for the purposes therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and official seal on this _______ day of February, 1998.

Paula C. Manney

PAULA C. MANNING
Notary Public, State of Florida
My Comm. Exp. Oct. 6, 1999
Comm. No. CC 483098

NOTARY PUBLIC

Notary Name Printed: PAULA C. HANNING

Commission Number: CC 483098 My Commission Expires: 10/u/aq

ARTICLE XIV

REGISTERED OFFICE

The street address and mailing address of the initial registered office is 103 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida 34450, and the name of the Registered Agent at such address is GARY A. POE.

STATE OF FLORIDA

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Certificate designating place of business or domicile for the service of process within the State of Florida, naming an agent upon whom process may be served and names and addresses of Directors.

The following is submitted in compliance with Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes.

A corporation organized (or organizing) under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office at 103 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida 34450, has named GARY A. POE

located at 103 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida, as its agent for service of process within the State.

REGISTERED AGENT

GARY A. POE

103 North Apopka Avenue Inverness, Florida 34450

ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

I agree as Registered Agent to accept service of process, to keep my offices open during prescribed hours, to post my name (and any other officers said corporation authorized to accept service of process at the above Florida-designated address), income conspicuous place in the office as required by law.

GARY A. POE, Régistered Agent

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF CITRUS

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared GARY A. POE, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same for the purposes therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and official seal on this <u>9</u> day of February, 1998.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:

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PAULA C. MANNING Notary Public, State of Florida My Comm. Exp. Oct. 6, 1999 Comm. No. CC 483098