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January 16, 1998

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SUBJECT: ST. MATTHEW 25 MINISTRIES, INC.
Ref. Number: W98000001120

We have received your document for ST. MATTHEW 25 MINISTRIES, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$70.00. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF

ST. MATTHEW 25 MINISTRIES, INC.
(A Corporation Not For Profit)

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This is to certify that the undersigned do hereby associate themselves as a corporate body not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida, pursuant to the authority and provisions of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, and do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

Article I
Name

The name of the Corporation is St. Matthew 25 Ministries, Inc.

Article II
Address

The address of the principle office of the Corporation is 5913 South 6th Street, Tampa, Florida 33611.

Article III
Capital Structure

The Corporation shall not have the power to issue certificates of stock or declare dividends.

Article IV
Office and Registered Agent

Pursuant to sections 607.0501 and 607.0505 of the Florida statutes, the Corporation shall have and continuously maintain in Florida its registered office and a registered agent thereat upon whom process can be served. The address of the registered office is 5913 South 6th Street, Tampa, Florida 33611, and the name of the registered agent in charge thereof is Kim L. Bishop.

Article V
Board of Directors

5.1 Initial Board

The names and addresses of the initial Board of Directors are set forth in the By-Laws.

5.2 Number

The affairs of the Corporation are to be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of not less than three and not more than twelve (12) members of the Board. The number of members of the Board of Directors may be increased or decreased from time to time in the manner provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

5.3 Power

The Board of Directors shall act for the Corporation and shall have the power to decide all matters relating to the conduct of business for this Corporation.

5.4 Election and Term of Office

The members of the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall be nominated and elected in the manner as shall be fixed in the Bylaws from time to time, who shall serve for one (1) year terms until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

Article VI
Purposes of Corporation

6.1 Purpose

The purposes of the Corporation shall be:

- (a) The Corporation is organized as a not-for-profit corporation exclusively for charitable, benevolent, educational and scientific purposes. Its activities shall be conducted in such a manner that no part of its net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any member, director, trustee, officer, or individual. Notwithstanding any provision of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c) (3), of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended (or corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

Without in any way limiting the foregoing general purpose, the specific purposes of the Corporation shall be to further the work of our Lord Jesus Christ through the spreading of the gospel by means of printing literature, preaching, conducting Bible Studies and teachings of the Holy Scriptures, through acts of benevolence in feeding and housing the poor, and in assisting ministers of the Word of God.

However, the Corporation shall not engage in activities that are not in furtherance of its charitable purpose other than as an insubstantial part of its activities;

(b) To do and perform any and all acts or services that may be incidental or necessary to carry out the above purpose; and

(c) To engage in any lawful act or activity for which a not for profit corporation may be organized under the laws of Florida, subject to the limitations set forth in Section 6.2 of this Article VI.

6.2 Limitation

The Corporation is organized not for profit and no part of the income of the said Corporation shall ever be distributed to any member, member of the Board of Directors Officer or any private individual, provided, however, reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the Corporation affecting one or more of its purposes. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the dissemination of propaganda, lobbying, or other attempts to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Articles of Incorporation, the Corporation shall not conduct or carry on activities not permitted to be conducted or carried on (i) 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, or (ii) by an organization contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c) (2) of such Code and Regulations as they now exist or as may be hereafter amended.

Article VII **Powers**

The Corporation shall possess and exercise all the powers and privileges granted by Chapters 607 and 617 of the Florida Statutes, or by any other law of Florida together with all powers necessary or convenient to the conduct, promotion or attainment of the activities or purposes of the Corporation, limited only by the restrictions set forth in these Articles of Incorporation; provided, however, that the Corporation shall not engage in activities that are not in furtherance of its charitable purposes other than as an insubstantial part of its activities.

Article VIII
Existence

The term for which the Corporation is to exist shall be perpetual.

Article IX
Bylaws

The power to make, alter, amend, repeal or adopt the Bylaws of this Corporation shall be vested solely in the Board of directors of the Corporation.

Article X
Amendment of Articles of Incorporation

The Articles of Incorporation shall be amended by Directors of the Corporation upon reading and approval of such amendments by a majority of the Directors at a regular or special meeting at which a quorum is present.

Article XI
Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the Directors of the Corporation shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all liabilities of the Corporation, dispose of all other assets of the Corporation exclusively to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Directors of the Corporation shall determine to be best determined to carry out the objects and purposes for which the Corporation is formed.

Article XII
Commencement of Corporate Existence

Corporate existence shall be deemed to commence on the date of subscription and acknowledgment of these Articles of Incorporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporation has signed these Articles of Incorporation, this 12th day of February, 1998.



Kim L. Bishop

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

Before me, personally appeared Kim L. Bishop, to me well known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and acknowledged to and before me that she executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this 12th day of February 1998.



NOTARY PUBLIC, State of Florida
At Large



WILLIAM J SHANE
My Commission CC549479
Expires Apr. 22, 2000

Statement of Acceptance

January 23, 1998

I, Kim L. Bishop, hereby verify that I am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities of Registered Agent for St. Matthew 25 Ministries Inc. located at 5913 South 6 th Street, Tampa, Florida 33611.

Kim L. Bishop

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Statement of Acceptance

January 23, 1998

I, Kim L. Bishop, hereby verify that I am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities of Registered Agent for St. Matthew 25 Ministries Inc. located at 5913 South 6 th Street, Tampa, Florida 33611.

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