

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

OF

MIRACLE TEMPLE NEW TESTAMENT ASSEMBLY, INC

(Pursuant to Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes)

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SECRETARY OF STATE

We, the undersigned, all of full age, for the purpose of forming an Not Profit Corporation pursuant to and in conformity with the Religious Corporation Law of the State of Florida, hereby certify as follows:

1. The Name of this Church shall be **Miracle Temple New Testament Assembly, Inc.**
2. The principal place of business and mailing address of the corporation shall be 910 Caloosahatchee Avenue, Labelle, Florida.
3. That a notice of the meeting of the members of Miracle Temple New Testament Assembly, Inc for the purpose of incorporating an unincorporated church was duly given and said meeting was held in accordance therewith on the 20th day of May, 1997 at 910 Caloosahatchee Avenue, Labelle, Florida, in the County of Hendry, in the State of Florida.
4. At said meeting, Rev. Albert H. Lewis, known as the pastor and Dalvis Barrett, one of the subscribers hereto, was the presiding officer, at which meeting a majority of the qualified voters, being at least six in number, were present. That Dalvis Barrett, Rev. Albert H. Lewis, Pastor Lambert Jordan (inspector), Rev. Ernest E. Evans, and Alvira B. Green, the other subscribers hereto, were present and voted thereat.

5. The names and addresses of the persons duly elected as Directors at such meeting for the unexpired term until the next annual meeting are as follows:

NAME	ADDRESS
Rev. Albert H. Lewis	345 Joel Blvd Lehigh Acres, Florida 33936
Dalvis Barrett	4513 Lee Blvd. Lehigh Acres, Florida 33971
Lambert Jordan	2910 9 th Street, SW Lehigh Acres, Florida 33971
Ernest E. Evans	2018 Nereid Avenue Bronx, New York 10454
Alvira B. Green	1 Glenwood Avenue Yonkers, New York 10701

One third to hold office until the first annual election of trustees thereafter, one third to hold office until the second annual election thereafter, and one third to hold office until the third annual election thereafter respectively.

6. The purpose for which this church is to be formed is as follows:

- A. To establish and maintain and operate one or more places of worship for members of the church and anyone wishing to fellowship with the Church, to promote, continue and encourage the assembly of persons, on a regular basis, for the purpose of Divine Worship, Spiritual Fellowship and Religious Observances according to the Christian Faith.
- B. To provide a vehicle and institution for the promulgation, preaching and teaching, of belief and faith in God through Jesus Christ.

- C. To institute, participate in and/or support, all worthy activities and projects Divinely inspired or assigned.
- D. To conduct religious services, promote religious education, training and general community work and to assist benevolent charitable and worthy causes of a similar nature.
- E. To provide religious worship services on a non-discriminatory basis without regard to race, color, creed, sex, religion, ethnic or national origin.
- F. To organize missionary work for the teaching of the Gospel of Christ, within and without the United States of America according to the tenets of the Christian Church.
- G. To promote the teaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ among the members of the Church and also among the non-members according to the tenets of the Christian Church.
- H. To develop multi-service programs and services in the local community and the community at large to assist in the religious, educational and social growth of the congregation, community and the world.
- I. To rent, lease or purchase such buildings or edifices which might be needed by the congregation; to alter or repair the same, and dispose of the same when no longer needed or used by the Church.
- J. To buy vacant land or buildings; alter, develop, build or repair the same for the use of the Church, and dispose of the same when no longer needed.

- K. To hold and operate such property which shall come into the possession of said Church; and sell, assign, transfer and otherwise dispose of any and all of the securities, properties and rights which may at any time be acquired or held by the Church and in all respects to deal with and in the same, in so far as may lawfully be done under the provisions of the Corporation Law.
- L. To borrow money and to contract debts when necessary for the exercise of its corporate rights, privileges, or for any other lawful purpose of its corporation; and it may issue and dispose of its obligations from time to time, for and of the objects or purposes of the Church, and to mortgage its property, and/or to make such deed of trust as may be necessary to secure the payment of such obligation or of any debts contracted for such purpose.
- M. To enter into, make, perform and carry out contracts with any person, firm, corporation, private, public, municipal or political body, under the Government of the United States of America, and foreign countries, so far and to the extent that the same may be done and performed under the provisions of the Religious Corporation Law and the State of Florida.
- N. To do anything and everything that is proper to the aforesaid purposes and which may properly be done by a Religious Corporation organized under and subject to the laws of the State of Florida: to possess all rights and privileges, and exercise all powers, permitted to such a corporation, including, without limitation, the power to solicit monies and contributions from the general public.

7. The Founding Pastor and Overseer of **Miracle Temple New Testament Assembly, Inc.** shall be Pastor Rev. Albert H. Lewis.

8. The duration of the church shall be perpetual.

9. The Directors shall be three in number or such other number as may be determined at any annual meeting, with Pastor Rev. Albert H. Lewis, ex-officio member.

10. That in December, 1997 and each year thereafter, there shall be held the Annual meeting of the church for the purpose of electing Directors and other officers and for such other business which shall come before the church at the said meeting.

11. Notwithstanding, any other provisions of these articles, this corporation is organized exclusively for one or more of the purposes as specified in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, and shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from Federal income tax under IRC section 501(c)(3) or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws.

12. No part of the net earnings of this corporation shall inure the benefit of any member, trustee, director, officer of the corporation, or any private individual (except the reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the corporation), and no member, trustee, officer of the corporation or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets upon dissolution of the corporation.

13. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation [except as otherwise provided by IRC section 501(h)] or participating in, or intervening in (including the publication or

distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of any candidates for public office.

14. In the event of dissolution, all of the remaining assets and property of the corporation shall, after necessary expenses thereof, be distributed to another organization exempt under IRC section 501(c)(3), or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws, or to the Federal government, or state or local government for a public purpose, subject to the approval of a Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Florida.

The Registered Agent for Miracle Temple New Testament Assembly, Inc. name and address is as follows:

Rev. Albert H. Lewis
345 Joel Blvd
Lehigh Acres, FL 33936

I, Albert H. Lewis hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities of Registered Agent.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have executed and acknowledged this certificate on

this day of , 1998.

Albert H. Lewis

Rev. Albert H. Lewis
345 Joel Blvd
Lehigh Acres, Florida 3393

Dalvis Barrett

Dalvis Barrett
4513 Lee Blvd.
Lehigh Acres, Florida 33971

Lambert Jordan

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Ernest E. Evans

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2018 Webster Avenue
Bronx, New York 10454

Alvira B. Green

Alvira B. Green
1 Glenwood Avenue
Yonkers, New York 10701

State of Florida:

County of Lee:

On the 28th day of February, 1998 before me personally appeared Pastor Rev. Albert H. Lewis, Lambert Jordan and Dalvis Barrett, Ernest E. Evans and Alvira B. Green known to be the same parties who executed the above Certificate of Incorporation and acknowledge to me that they executed the same.

Louise Sutcliffe
Notary Public



LOUISE SUTCLIFFE
MY COMMISSION # CC361400 EXPIRES
April 4, 1998
BONDED THRU TROY FAIN INSURANCE, INC.

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