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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Division of Corporations  
P. O. Box 6327  
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**SUBJECT:** New Beginnings Pentecostal Ministries, Inc.  
(Proposed corporate name - must include suffix)

Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for :

☐ \$70.00  
Filing Fee

☐ \$78.75  
Filing Fee  
& Certificate

☐ \$122.50  
Filing Fee  
& Certified Copy

☒ \$131.25  
Filing Fee,  
Certified Copy  
& Certificate

**ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED**

**FROM:** LaTanya M. Stephens  
Name (Printed or typed)

P.O. Box 608  
Address

Hawthorne, Florida 32640  
City, State & Zip

352-481-5837  
Daytime Telephone number

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**NOTE:** Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

*Handwritten signature and date: 5/29/98*



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Sandra B. Mortham  
Secretary of State

June 3, 1998

LATANYA M. STEPHENS  
P.O. BOX 608  
HAWTHORNE, FL 32640

SUBJECT: NEW BEGINNINGS PENTECOSTAL MINISTRIES, INC.  
Ref. Number: W98000012647

We have received your document for NEW BEGINNINGS PENTECOSTAL MINISTRIES, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$131.25. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The document must contain a registered agent with a Florida street address and a signed statement of acceptance. (i.e. I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities of Registered Agent.)

Please return the original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 487-6933.

Dana Calloway  
Document Specialist

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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

*The undersigned, acting as incorporate(s) of a corporation pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation::*

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### ARTICLE I

The name of the Corporation shall be: New Beginnings Pentecostal Ministries, Inc.

### ARTICLE II

The principal place of business of this corporation shall be: Hawthorne, Florida.. The mailing address of this corporation shall be:

New Beginnings Pentecostal Ministries, Inc.  
C/O New Beginnings Ministries, Inc.  
P.O. Box 608  
Hawthorne, FL 32640

### ARTICLE III

The specific purpose(s) for which the corporation is organized is (are): New Beginnings Pentecostal Ministries, Inc. is specifically organized as a non-profit independent Christian fellowship (church) with the purpose of spreading the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ throughout as much of the world as possible. This corporation will engage in making, teaching and baptizing disciples into the family Almighty God.

### ARTICLE IV

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed is as follows: The Pastor of the Corporation shall remain in office for as long as the Divine Call of God is upon him.. The Pastor is appointed as President of the Corporation. Other officers and/or directors shall be appointed as needed by the leadership and calling of the Holy Spirit of God. Expansion of Article IV can be found in the corporation by-laws.

### ARTICLE V

The Pastor of the Corporation shall be responsible for managing the affairs of the corporation. By-laws of the corporation are to be made by the Pastor with the assistance, when needed, of other board members. Board members shall consist of persons elected and/or appointed from the membership at the discretion of the Pastor. Board members may also include honorary persons not a part of the membership at the discretion of the Pastor.. Any such by-laws will be introduced for law to those corporation members present at any such called business meeting. Proposed by-laws shall then be altered, rescinded or voted into law by a majority vote of those members present at any such called business meeting in which by-laws are to be made, altered, and/or rescinded. Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation may be proposed by the Pastor or any board member upon approval by the Pastor or any board member upon approval by the Pastor, after which said amendments are to be introduced to the body members and adopted by a majority vote of members present at any such business meeting wherein amendments to the Articles of Incorporation are to be proposed and/or adopted.

### ARTICLE VI

The registered agent shall be the Pastor and Founder of the Corporation; Delbert K. Stephens. The registered office is:

5228 North Hwy 301  
Hawthorne, Florida 32640

#### ARTICLE VII

1. The offices held and the directors serving under the Articles of Incorporation will be:

- a. Delbert K. Stephens - President/Pastor  
1965 Hwy 20, Hawthorne, Florida 32640
- b. LaTanya M. Stephens - Vice President/Co-Pastor  
1965 Hwy 20, Hawthorne, Florida 32640
- c. Evans H. Starke - Director/Trustee  
3610 NE CR 219A,, Melrose, Florida 32666

The three above named persons will constitute the initial official board of directors/trustees. These three persons shall serve as members of the board of directors/trustees.

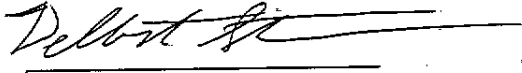
1. Any person who has been spiritually "born-again," through faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, is qualified to become a member of this organization provided they show genuine evidence of godly character. Persons shall be accepted in any of the following ways:

- (1) Baptism into the body and/or Christian experience and/or letter of previous church membership.
- (2) Any person who has been received as a member of this Christian body has the right and privilege to participate in all activities and voting rights that pertain to the members.
- (3) Participation in a lifestyle contrary to the principles of God as stated in the Bible, God's Holy Word, is reason enough for dismissal or expulsion from his body until such time as the disobedient life has been reconciled to the perfect will of God and thereby restored to sweet fellowship.
- (4) Members shall be free to transfer or relinquish their membership at their discretion.
- (5) In the event of dissolution the residual asset of the corporation, New Beginnings Pentecostal Ministries
- (6) There will be no limitations created because of divisions established by classes of people. All shall be equal in rank as established by the oracle Word of God. All members shall be obligated, first to God, then to fellow members, to walk circumspectly in the world. All members will walk worthy of the vocation of the calling to be sons and daughters of the Most High God;; separating themselves from involvement in the lust of the world.
- (7) The initial Incorporators of New Beginnings Pentecostal Ministries, Inc. are:
  - (a) Delbert K. Stephens
  - (b) LaTanya M. Stephens
  - (c) Evans H. Starke
- (8) New Beginnings Pentecostal Ministries, Inc. while maintaining its inherited rights to sovereignty in the conduct its own affairs, this church may voluntarily enter into spiritual fellowship with churches of precious like faith.

- (9) In order to insure the discipline of order, New Beginnings Pentecostal ministries, Inc., shall establish a constitution and by-laws.

The undersigned incorporator(s) has (have) executed these Articles of Incorporation this 3rd day of April, 1998.

Signature(s) of Incorporate (s):



Delbert K. Stephens  
Typed name of incorporator signing



LaTanya M. Stephens  
Typed name of incorporator signing



Evans H. Starke  
Typed name of incorporator signing

**NOTE: Affixing an officer title after a signature of an incorporator does not constitute the designation of officers.**

**CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION REGISTERED  
AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE**

**PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 607.0501 OR 617.0501,  
FLORIDA STATUTES, THE UNDERSIGNED CORPORATION, ORGANIZED  
UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, SUBMITS THE  
FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN DESIGNATING THE REGISTERED  
OFFICE/REGISTERED AGENT, IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.**

1. The name of the corporation is: New Beginnings Pentecostal Ministries, Inc.

2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

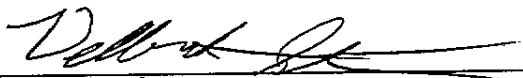
Delbert K. Stephens  
(Name)

5228 N. Hwy 301  
(Street Address - P.O. Box NOT acceptable)

Hawthorne, Florida 32640

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Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

  
(Signature)

6-10-98  
(Date)