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Enclosed is an original an	d one(1) copy of the articles	of incorporation and a c	heck for :	
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FROM:	Elder Barner Name (Prin	y J. Hicks	<u>.</u>	
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SOUTHERNMOST CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST, INC. ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF SOUTHERNMOST CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST, INC.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENT:

That the Southernmost Church of God in Christ, ING., a voluntary association, and members of said church has voluntarily associated themselves to form a non-profit Corporation under laws of the State of Florida; and we hereby certify:

ARTICLE I - NAME OF CORPORATION:

That the name of this Corporation is: Southernmost Church of God in Christ, Inc.

ARTICLE II - PRINCIPAL OFFICE:

The principal office of said church shall be located at 729 Fleming Street with a mailing address of P. O. Box 1452 in the City of Key West, Monroe County, in Florida.

ARTICLE III - PURPOSE(S):

That the primary purpose for which this Corporation is formed is to: Cultivate, promote, promulgate, and extend the teaching and precepts, practices and discipline of the Church of God in Christ denomination, and conduct and maintain a Christian Church according to said principles, creed, precepts, practices, discipline of said denomination.

This requirement shall not be deemed to preclude a statement of general purpose or power or to restrict the right of the Corporation to engage in other lawful activity for religious, charitable, and /or educational purposes for non-profit purposes.

To purchase, receive, take, acquire, hold, sell, convey, or otherwise dispose of property, whether it be real, personal or mixed: To receive property by devise or bequest, subject to the laws regulating the transfer of property by will, and to otherwise acquire and hold all property, real or personal, including share of stocks, bonds, and securities of other Corporations, to wit:

"Said property is to be held in trust for the use and benefit of the members of the Church of God in Christ with National Headquarters in the City of Memphis, Shelby County, Tennessee, and subject to the Charter, Constitution, Laws and Doctrines of said Church, now in full force and effect, or as they may hereafter amended, changed, or modified by the General Assembly of said Church".

To act as Trustees under any condition incidental to the principal subject of the Corporation, and to receive, hold, administer, and extend funds of property subject to such trust;

To convey, exchange, lease mortgage, encumber, transfer upon trust, or otherwise dispose of all property, real or personal; To borrow money, contract debts, and issue bonds, notes debentures, and secure same; To contract and to be contracted with; To do all acts necessary or expedient for the administration of the affairs and attainment of the purpose of the Corporation;

That the Corporation is organized pursuant to the general non-profit Corporation law, or pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes of the Corporation Code;

That the Corporation is a Corporation that does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to the members thereof.

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ARTICLE IV - STRUCTURE OF CHURCH:

The civil officers of the corporation shall be President, Secretary/Clerk, Treasurer and such other officers as the corporation shall establish.

- (A) The President (Pastor) shall be Chief Executive Officer of the corporation (the church) and shall have the general oversight and supervision thereof. The Pastor of a local church shall be appointed by the Jurisdictional Bishop of the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of the Church.
- (1) The Pastor shall have the right to appoint or remove officers of the local church, and to administer his office in accordance with the Charter, Constitution, By-laws of its National Constitution, Church of God In Christ, Inc. located at 272 S. Main Street in the City of Memphis, Shelby County, Tennessee.
 - (2) The Pastor shall be responsible for the spiritual and doctrinal guidance of the church.
- (3) The Pastor shall preside at all meetings and shall make an annual report of the status and condition of the corporation to the church.
- (4) The Pastor shall sign all certificates, contracts, deeds and other instruments of the corporation.
- **(B)** The Secretary/Clerk is appointed by the President. The Secretary/Clerk shall keep the minutes of all meetings; shall have charge of the seal and corporate books and shall make such reports and perform such duties as are required of him/her by the corporation.
- (C) The Treasure is appointed by the President. The Treasurer shall have custody of all monies and securities of the corporation and shall keep regular books of account. He/she shall disburse the funds of the corporation in payment of the just demands against the corporation or as may be required of him/her he/she shall make an accounting of all transactions as Treasurer and of the financial condition of the corporation.
- (D) That the names and addresses of the persons who are to act in the capacity of Directors until the selection of their successors and who shall be given the title of Trustees are:

Barney J. Hicks, 912 Ashe Street, Apt C, Key West, FL 33040 Rosemary Rahming, 908 Thomas Street, Key West, FL 33040 Barbara Mounts, 818 Olivia Street, Key West, FL 33040 Jackie Williams, 3330 Northside Drive, Apt #218, Key West, FL 33040 Betty Burney, 1721B Josephine Street, Key West, FL 33040 Lucretia Monroe, 2204 Fogarty Ave, Key West, FL 33040 Kenny Rahming, 1213 14th Street, Key West, FL 33040

- (E) All trustees shall be members of the Church of God in Christ. The Trustees shall be elected by a majority of the members of the congregation, present and voting, in a regular or special business meeting of the church. All special meetings of the church shall be announced on a Sunday preceding the date of the meeting and shall state the purpose of the call and the time and place of the meeting.
- (F) That the members of said Corporation are and shall be the members of said Southernmost Church of God in Christ , INC. , a voluntary association, unless they file written dissents with the secretary, and as new members be admitted according to the By-laws to be adopted by this Corporation, that there is no classes of members of this Corporation.

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ARTICLE V - REGISTERED AGENT:

Elder Barney J. Hicks, 912 Ashe Street, Apt. C, Key West, FL 33040

ARTICLE VI - INCORPORATOR(S):

Elder Barney J. Hicks, 912 Ashe Street, Apt. C, Key West, FL 33040 Barbara Mounts, 818 Olivia Street, Key West, FL 33040 Jacquelyn Williams, 3330 Northside Drive, Apt #218, Key West, FL 33040

The undersigned incorporator(s) for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act, hereby adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation:

Elder Barney J. Hicks/Incorporator

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Date

7-15-98

Miss Jacquelyn Williams/Incorporator

Date

7-19-98

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.

Elder B. J. Hicks/Registered Agent

Mrs. Barbara Mounts/Incorporator

Date

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