



CHRIST CENTER, INC.

"Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me." Matthew 25:40

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Tallahassee, Florida 32314

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Dear Sirs :

Enclosed Check # 1003 for 122.50 . Enclosed you will find one original and one copy of the articles of Incorporation . Please file this new corporation and mail a certificate of Status .

Name of the corporation :

International Coalition of Cities of Refuge

Thank you for your attention on this matter . May God bless you

In His service

Dr. Andres I. Ruiz C.A.P.

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***ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation shall be INTERNATIONAL COALITION OF CITIES OF REFUGE, INC..

ARTICLE II

The duration of the corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE III

The name and address of the current registered agent and registered office are:

Registered Agent: Andres I. Ruiz
Registered Office: 8385 SW 165 Terrace
City, Zip Code, County: Miami, 33157, Miami-Dade

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ARTICLE IV

The current Board of Trustees (Directors) shall be three or more in number, their names and addresses being as follows:

Trustees' Names		Address			
Andres I. Ruiz	8385 SW 165 Terrace	Miami	Florida		33157
Donald Evans	3342 SW Hosanna Ln.	Okeechobee	Florida		34974
Mike Brown	3342 SW Hosanna Ln.	Okeechobee	Florida		34974
Hugh Morrow	3342 SW Hosanna Ln	Okeechobee	Florida		34974
Eduardo Jimenez	9201 SW 105 St	Miami	Florida		33176

ARTICLE V

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are: to operate exclusively for religious, charitable, educational and distinct ecclesiastical purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law thereto, and such purposes shall include the following:

a. Religious

b. To maintain a coalition by the direction of the Lord Jesus Christ and under the leadership of the Holy Spirit in accordance with all of the Commandments and provisions as set forth in the Holy Bible, the irrevocable Word of God. Pursuant thereto, the following activities and guidelines shall be established:

- I. A recognized Creed, Code of Ethics and discipline.
- II. An ecclesiastical form of government shall be established.
- III. Ordination and licensing of members upon completion of the prescribed course of study, designated by the Board.
- IV. An organization of ministers shall be established to minister to the membership of INTERNATIONAL COALITION OF CITIES OF REFUGE.
- VI. Spread the Word of the Gospel through seminars, radio, television, literature, and other forms of mass media for the purpose of educating the individual in the Word of God and the issues of substance abuse.
- VII. Establishment of various religious Schools for Christians and educational instruction to the young and to the old
- VIII. Establishing a Training School or School of Theology (not considered and accredited educational institution) for the preparation of ministers who minister to the cities of Refuge through INTERNATIONAL COALITION OF CITIES OF REFUGE.
- XIX. Establishing Cities of refuge

- c. Minister the Word of God to the faithful, and all others.
- d. Promote and encourage, through the ministry of the organization, cooperation with other organizations ministering within the community.
- e. To acquire and hold such property, either real or personal, for church purposes, as may be necessary for its membership and the worship of God.

ARTICLE VI

In accordance with and in addition to the powers conferred by the laws of the State of FLORIDA, the Non-profit Corporation shall have the following powers:

- a. To receive and accept gifts of money and property and to hold the same for any of the purposes of the Corporation and its work.
- b. To raise and assist in raising funds for the purposes herein set forth, including the issuance of bonds or other instruments of credit.
- c. To acquire, own, lease, mortgage and dispose of property, both real and personal.
- d. To conduct and carry on religious services, seminar, conferences and instruction through the public media, including electronic broadcasting, AM and FM radio, telecasting, microwave distribution, closed circuit transmission, and cable television.
- e. To acquire, own and operate such broadcasting and/or telecasting facilities.

- f. To accept property and donations in trust for religious or charitable purposes.
- g. To acquire, hold, own, sell, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, or otherwise dispose of shares of the capital stock, bonds, obligations or other securities of other corporations, domestic or foreign, as investments or otherwise, in carrying out any of the purposes of the corporation and, while the owner thereof, to exercise all rights, powers and privileges of ownership, including the power to vote thereon.

ARTICLE VII

INTERNATIONAL COALITION OF CITIES OF REFUGE, is not organized for pecuniary gain or profit, nor shall it have any power to issue certificates of stock or declare dividends, and no part of its net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any members, directors, trustees or individuals, except that INTERNATIONAL COALITION OF CITIES OF REFUGE, shall be authorized and empowered to pay and to be paid a reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article V hereof. No substantial part of the activities of INTERNATIONAL COALITION OF CITIES OF REFUGE, shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and INTERNATIONAL COALITION OF CITIES OF REFUGE, shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) a political campaign.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, INTERNATIONAL COALITION OF CITIES OF REFUGE, shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by:

- a. A corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law or,

- b. A corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Sections 170 (c)(2) and 509 (a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

c. In the event of the dissolution of this corporation, or in the event it shall cease to carry out the objectives and purposes herein set forth, all of the business, property and assets of the corporation shall go and be distributed to such non-profit corporation qualifying as an organization exempt under the provisions of Sections 501 (c)(3) and 170 (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding sections of any prior or future Internal Revenue Code, or to the Federal, State, or local government for exclusive public purpose, as the directors or trustees of the corporation may select and designate; and in no event shall any of said assets or property, in the event of dissolution thereof, go or be distributed by such members, or for any other such purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the District Court of the County in which the principal office of the corporation is located, exclusively for such purposes, or the organizations as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Special provisions authorized or permitted by statute to be contained in the Articles of Incorporation are shown as follows:

ARTICLE VIII

This corporation is organized pursuant to the provisions of the FLORIDA Non-profit Corporation Code. All trustees of this corporation now in good and regular standing, and such other members as the Board of Trustees shall from time to time admit to membership, shall be members of this corporation.

ARTICLE IX

The business and property of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of three or more Trustees (Directors). The present trustees now duly constituted and elected shall constitute the Board of Trustees and they shall hold their offices permanently and so far as may be until other or further election. In the event of the inability of any trustee to act, or in the event of the death of any trustee, the remaining trustees shall elect another trustee, or trustees, to fill the vacancy or vacancies, thus created. Each trustee shall be a member in good standing of the corporation. A new trustee shall

be elected by a majority vote of the total trustees, excluding the trustee whose position is being filled by vote.

a. The trustees in their collective capacity shall be known as the Board of Trustees and under that name shall constitute the governing body, and shall conduct and transact all business of the corporation.

b. The trustees shall have power and authority to hold an annual meeting of the Board of Trustees and may likewise hold special meetings as may be determined by the Board of Trustees. The annual meeting, if and when held, shall be held at the offices of the corporation in MIAMI, FLORIDA, on the first Monday of February in each year at the hour of 7:00 p.m. of such day, or as soon thereafter in each year as is possible for the trustees to call such meeting; and any special meetings may be held at such time as the trustees may determine, and all meetings shall be held at the offices of the corporation in MIAMI, FLORIDA.

c. There shall be but one class of membership in this corporation. Membership in this corporation may be obtained by natural persons of all races, creeds and colors, who shall publicly profess belief in Jesus Christ as their personal Savior, and who shall further profess their belief in the purposes of this organization as set forth herein above, and who shall thereafter be accepted into membership in such manner as provided by the Board of Trustees of this corporation. The subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation and the initial Trustees (Directors) of this corporation shall be and constitute the initial members of this corporation. Any amendments to the Articles of Incorporation may be made only by the Board of Trustees. Likewise, the By-laws may be made, altered or rescinded only by the Board of Trustees of this corporation, having received the vote of a majority of the Board of Trustees in office.

d. The Board of Trustees shall have authority and power, which is hereby given, to provide suitable and proper means and religious ceremony and required tests and qualifications for entrance into the ministry of the Jesus Christ, hereby being established and organized and by and through the means as established and administered that any and all with all board authority possible for any church or ecclesiastical body to be given or to possess or to administer, giving therein authority to administer all sacred services of ecclesiastical bodies and to include all sacred and sacramental services, and to further include the marriage services and together with the sacred services of

baptism

e. The Board of Trustees shall have the authority and power, which is hereby given, to establish, institute, operate and maintain any and all such additional departments, associations, institutions, schools, mission stations, programs, and/or any and all such other vehicles as may be deemed appropriate and advisable by said Board of Trustees for the propagation of the Gospel and Christian and religious worship and where within the United States of America and/or in any other country.

f. The Board of Trustees of INTERNATIONAL COALITION OF CITIES OF REFUGE, shall have power and authority which is hereby given, to negotiate or designate agents to negotiate all of the business transactions, all receipts and all disbursements, for any such additional departments, associations, institutions, schools, mission stations, programs, and/or any and all such other vehicles established or instituted by this corporation.

g. A majority of the trustees shall constitute a quorum for the transaction by the Board of Trustees of any and all business, in accordance with the laws of the State of FLORIDA.

ARTICLE X

The manner in which the directors or trustees of the corporation shall be elected or appointed shall be governed by the provisions of the By-laws of the corporation.

The corporation shall be a sovereign body, and the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation shall be governed by the provisions of the By-laws of the corporation.

The place where the business of INTERNATIONAL COALITION OF CITIES OF REFUGE, shall be transacted is 8457 SW 132 St MIAMI, FLORIDA, where said principal office shall be.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscribers do make, subscribe, acknowledge and file these Articles for the purpose of forming a Corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida.

Date: October 14, 1998

DONALD EVANS

ANDRES I. RUIZ

MIKE BROWN

HUGH MORROW

EDUARDO JIMENEZ

Donald E. Evans
Andres I. Ruiz
Mike Brown
Hugh L. Morrow
Eduardo Jimenez

STATE OF FLORIDA}

COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE}

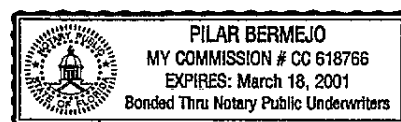
SS:

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, before me, personally appeared the persons described in and who executed the forgoing instrument as incorporators and acknowledged before me that they executed the same.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the County and State last aforesaid this 10-14 of 1998.

they are personally known to me.

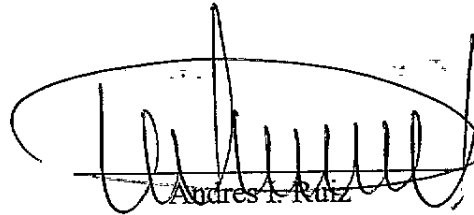
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REGISTERED AGENTS

ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT

In Pursuance of Chapter 48,091, Florida Statutes, Andres I. Ruiz, hereby accepts the appointment as registered agent for the International Coalition of Cities of Refuge a Florida non profit corporation.



Andres I. Ruiz

10/2/98
Date:


STATE OF FLORIDA

ss:

COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, before me, an officer dully authorized in the State aforesaid and in the County aforesaid to take acknowledgments, personally appeared Andres I. Ruiz to me know to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged before me that he or she executed the same.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the County and State last aforesaid this 2 October 1998.



Notary Public State of Florida

My Commission Expires:

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FLORENCE F AHRENS
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF FLORIDA
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