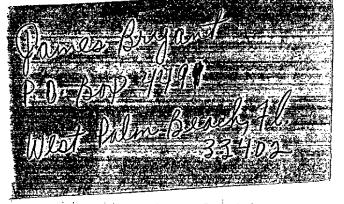
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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Sandra B. Mortham Secretary of State

August 14, 1998

BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC. P.O. BOX 4491 WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33402

SUBJECT: BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC.

Ref. Number: W98000018550

We have received your document for BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC., however, upon receipt of your document no check was enclosed. Please send a check or money order payable to the Department of State for \$122.50.

The registered agent and street address must be consistent wherever it appears in your document.

The document must contain written acceptance by the registered agent, (i.e. "I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as Registered Agent.)

The registered agent must sign accepting the designation.

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.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC.

The undersigned, acting as incorporation(s) of a corporation pursuant to chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of the corporation shall be: BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC. (Please refer to Attachment "A")

ARTICLE II: PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS AND MAILING ADDRESS

Principal Place of Business:

2027 Spruce Avenue

West Palm Beach, Florida 33402

Principal Mailing Address:

Post Office Box 4491

West Palm Beach, Florida 33402

ARTICLE III: PURPOSE(S)

The specific purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

The period of duration of the corporation is perpetual. The specific purpose and purposes for which the Corporation is organized are as follows:

BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC., shall provide spiritual places of worship for anyone who desires a deeper walk and personal relationship with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC. shall establish accredited Christian Schools, which shall meet state and federal standards, ranging from K to Doctorate levels. (Please refer to Attachment "1A", ARTICLE III: Purposes Continued--Bylaws Article III-VII.)

ARTICLE IV: MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The manner in which the directors are selected or appointed is as follows:

(Please refer to Attachment "1B"--Bylaws Articles II-V.)

ARTICLE V: LIMITATION OF CORPORATE POWERS

The corporate powers of this corporation are as provided in section 617.0302, Florida Statutes, unless limited as follows:

Not Applicable

ARTICLE VI: INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The name and the street address of the initial registered agent is:

James Edward Bryant

The physical address of this corporation shall be:

2027 Spruce Avenue West Palm Beach, Florida 33402

The Registered Agent for **BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY**, **INC.**, shall be President Dr. James Edward Bryant with a physical address of 1500 N. Congress Avenue, B29, West Palm Beach, Florida 33407.

ARTICLE VII: INCORPORATORS

The names and street addresses of the incorporators of the Articles of Incorporation are:

President Dr. James Edward Bryant 1500 N. Congress Avenue West Palm Beach, Florida 33407

Please refer to Attachment "IC-Article VII: Incorporators Continued.)

The undersigned incorporators have executed these Articles of Incorporation this 28th day of May, 1998.

The undersigned incorporators have executed these Articles of Incorporation this 28th day of May, 1998.

President Dr. James Edward Bryant

Vice President Shirley Bryant

Treasurer Mathilde I. Padmore

Secretary Debora Smith

(ATTACHMENT "1A")

ARTICLE III: PURPOSES (CONTINUED)

BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC., shall strive to fulfill the total man via food and shelter programs, child abuse, spouse abuse, and elderly abuse centers. To create Christian awareness via the following media: Music, writings, and the Arts. To aid in balancing the results of the woes imparted upon society as a result of obedience.

BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC., shall establish drug abuse centers, half-way houses for traditional offenders, and marriage and family counseling centers.

It is also our corporation's goal to acquire land for the purpose of housing low-income families, agricultural farms, and Christian shopping malls.

BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC., shall promote the Gospel via teaching tapes, corresponding Bible Studies, television, telecommunications, radio, and other legal media.

It is our "Goal" to create a worldwide network of powerful Christian churches and entrepreneurs connecting via various media, which shall infuse the Body of Christ as a powerful entity.

With the approval of the 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, **BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC.**, purposes to receive federal grants, philanthropic benevolences, and food from governmental food closets; the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding sections of any further federal tax code.

BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC. P. O. BOX 4491 WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33402

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August 25, 1998

Gentelemen:

I, James Edward Bryant, hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as Registered Agent for Beautiful People Ministry, Inc., as stated in these Articles of Incorporation.

Sincerely,

James Edward Bryant

President James Edward Bryant

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BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC., <u>ATTACHMENT "1B"</u> (CONTAINING BYLAWS ARTICLES II-V)

ARTICLE II

A meeting was held by the Board of Elders on May 28, 1998 at 2027 Spruce Avenue, in the city of West Palm Beach, Florida. This meeting was for the sole purpose of creating Bylaws for BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC.

It was voted on and approved by 2/3 of the body that the Board of Elders will consist of no less than three (3) members and no more than seven (7) members at any given time. In the event the Board of Elders becomes even in number, an emergency meeting will be called and then the procedure in Article V shall be used to restore the Board to an uneven number.

BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC., travailed in birth officially on May 28, 1998 in West Palm Beach Florida. The spiritual birth brought forth the appointment of the following officers: Overseer: President Dr. James Edward Bryant, serving as pastor of the Headquarters church.

The founder of **BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY**, **INC.**, was the Holy Spirit of God requesting the Body of Christ to meet the needs of His people.

The following officers and positions were created with limited appointments at that time: Chief Executive Officer and President, Dr. James Edward Bryant and Executive Administrator, Shirley Bryant.

The following positions were developed; however, appointments will be made at a later date: Senior Executive Administrator, Junior Executive Administrator, Presiding Elder, and Senior Pastor.*

*Note: The aforementioned position guidelines can be found in the Bylaws under duties of the Spiritual Officers.

ARTICLE III: DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF ELDERS

The board of Elders shall serve as the judicial and policy making body of **BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY**, **INC.** The Board of Elders shall govern the disciplinary procedures for all the members of **BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY**, **INC.**, that have been brought up on infractions.

ARTICLE III: OFFICERS, TERMS, & ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF ELDERS

The Overseer will serve as Chairperson of the Board of Elders and the Co-chairperson, Treasurer, and Secretary shall be voted in with 2/3 of the Body's approval.

The Co-chairperson's term shall be for a seven (7) year period. He/she may be reinstated at the end of the seven (7) year tenure as Co-chairperson with 2/3 approval from the Board of Elders.

The Secretary's term shall be three (3) years in duration with no longer than a five (5) year tenure. The treasurer's term shall be seven (7) years in duration, with a consecutive term of no longer than seven (7) years.

The initial Board shall be appointed by the Overseer and after a vacancy occurs, the vacancy shall be filled by 2/3 votes of the Board of Elders with final approval by the Overseer.

The procedure for replenishing the Board of Elders shall be the procedure referred to in Article V of the Bylaws.

ARTICLE III C: ISSUANCE OF LICENSES

The Board of Elders shall also be responsible to review and approve or invalidate all licenses issued by **BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC.** Licenses will only be reviewed by the Board of Elders twice per annual unless otherwise approved by the Overseer. Licenses will be issued at the General Assembly, the first week in October and Winter Jubilee which shall be held the week of February 28th through March 4th.

In the event that an ordained pastor from another ministry enters into **BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY**, **INC.**, with the sole purpose of pastoring a work within **BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY**, **INC.**, and the Board of Elders is unable to convene for the purpose of issuing a license, then the Overseer may issue the license to the pastor. However, each Board member and the church Body must be notified of the appointment.

It shall be further stated that even though the Overseer shall make the appointment of the new pastor, the new pastor must submit to taking the Pastoral Test, and must score no less than 90%.

*Please note the only time that the Board of Elders will review candidates for licensing will be:

- a. General Assembly which shall be the 1st week of October of each year.
- b. Spring Jubilee which shall be held the week of February 28th through March 4th of each year.

ARTICLE III D: CANDIDATE ORDINATION

No candidate for ordination shall be ordained without 2/3 vote of approval from the Board of Elders and the final approval by the Overseer. No license issued by the Overseer or the Board of Elders shall be official unless stamped by the Church Seal and signed by the Overseer, one Board Member, and the Secretary.

ARTICLE III E: MAJOR ACQUISITIONS

The Board of Elders shall be responsible to review all major acquisitions, mortgages, leases, contracts, or any other legal documents and policies that involve **BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY**, **INC.**, in the relationship of negotiating any type of contract without written authorization from the Board of Elders or the Overseer, he/she will be considered as an insubordinate and will be subject to disciplinary action via the Board of Elders.

ARTICLE III F: BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC., & NONDENOMINATIONAL CHURCH, INC.

Let it be stated that all property or merchandise must be purchased in the name of the organization, and once said property has been purchased, it shall become the sole property of **BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY**, **INC.**

ARTICLE III G: LOCAL PURCHASE OF PROPERTY

In the event that a local parish desires to purchase or engage in any financial transactions which will obligate **BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC.**, the pastor must submit Form 700 to the Head Trustee of the parish. The Head Trustee will then be responsible to submit the Acquisition for Request of Purchase within seven (7) working days to the Board of Elders.

ARTICLE III H: SIGNING OF CONTRACTS (WHO SHALL BE CONSIDERED AS AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL)

It has been approved and voted on by the majority of the Board of Elders on May 28, 1998, that no one person such as pastors, laypersons, or individual Board Members shall sign any said contract to represent BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC.; they must follow the steps for approval:

- a. Must be reviewed legal counsel (preferably legal counsel for the organization.)
- b. Must receive a majority vote of 2/3 majority for approval.
- c. Contact must be signed by the Overseer and at least one other authorized representative of BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC., --must be a member of the Board of Elders or Chairperson of the Trustee Board.

ARTICLE III I: PERIODIC REVIEW OF BYLAWS

To ensure the effectiveness of the legality of the Bylaws and policies of the organization to comply with governmental regulations and the organizational needs of the Body, a policy meeting shall be called at least once every seven (7) years unless otherwise requested earlier by the Overseer, Board of Elders, or the Church Body.

If the need arises to change a given policy or Bylaw within the organization before the seven (7) year policy review, the Board of Elders will call an emergency policy meeting to discuss amendments, deletions, and revisions of set policies.

ARTICLE IV: SEMIANNUAL FINANCIAL MEETING

It has also been voted on an approved by the majority of the Board of Elders that at least three (3) Board Members must be present at the semiannual meeting of the organization.

It is also the responsibility of the Board of Elders to review the quarterly Financial Statement, which shall be prepared by the Senior Financial Officer before it is presented to the Church Body.

BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE MINISTRY, INC., ATTACHMENT "C" (CONTAINING ARTICLE VII: INCORPORATIONS, CONTINUED)

ARTICLE V: FILLING BOARD VACANCIES

Whenever a vacancy occurs within the Board of Elders, the following procedures will be used to fill the vacancy. In the forming of a suitable eligibility list, the following candidates will be considered: Apostles, Bishops, and Elders that are in good standing and have not had a derogatory evaluation in the last five (5) years. Whenever a vacancy occurs within the Board of Elders and it causes the number of members of the Body to become even or beneath three (3) members, then an emergency meeting of the Board will be held to begin the process for selecting new Body Members.

The members of the Board of Elders shall be perpetual unless they have been brought up on charges of infractions.

The Overseer shall be perpetual.

The selection process to replenish the Board of Elders shall not exceed thirty (30) calendar days. Once the selections and appointments have been made by the Board of Elders, it shall be the responsibility of the Secretary of the Board of Elders to notify the Body of appointments made by the Board of Elders.

ARTICLE VI: REMOVAL OF A BOARD MEMBER

In the event that a Board Member has been brought up on infractions and found guilty, he/she shall be removed permanently form the Board of Elders.

If the Board Member has been involved in any scandals within the organization, or has indirect or directly caused a blemish within the organization, he/she shall be brought up for grounds of dismissal within the Body of the Board of Elders. When a Board Member is dismissed as a result of misconduct, the entire organization shall be notified via writing within seven (7) working days.

ARTICLE VII - VACATIONS

It is also the responsibility of the Board of Elders and Pastors to sponsor an annual vacation for the Overseer.

The vacation time for the head ecclesiastic will be the week following the General Assembly. The Board of Elders shall be responsible for the roundtrip airfare, food, expense money (no less than \$1500.00), hotel, and/or cruise expense.

The Personal Administrator of the Overseer shall be responsible for the vacation arrangements.

The Board of Elders shall also be responsible for the vacation of the Senior Bishop. The Senior Bishop vacation shall occur the third week in July. The Board of Elders shall be responsible for the round trip tickets to the point of destination and return; expense money will be no less than \$500.00 and lodging.

The chairperson for the Senior Elder vacation shall be voted upon annually by the Board of Elders.

The benefits for these positions shall be reviewed for a possible update within two (2) years, or whenever the organization has reached a state of financial stability.