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SUBJECT: Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ, Inc.
(Proposed corporate name - must include suffix)

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

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& Certificate

☐ \$122.50
Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

☒ \$131.25
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FROM: Rev. G. T. "Skip" Ritter
Name (Printed or typed)

12109 Bee Flower Dr
Address

Bradenton, FL 34202
City, State & Zip

(941) 752-0048
Daytime Telephone number

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AUTHORIZATION BY PHONE TO
CORRECT Articles
DATE 1/6/99
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NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF**

Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ, Inc.

PO Box 20847
Bradenton, FL 34204-0847
12109 BeeFlower Drive
Bradenton, FL 34202
Manatee, County

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We, the undersigned, for and in behalf of the members of this organization, who duly organized this body as a not for profit ministry on December 15, 1998, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation, for the purpose of forming an ecclesiastical corporation, under and pursuant to the provisions of State of Florida, Chapter 617.0202, F.S., articles of incorporation.

ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation shall be----- Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ, Inc.

ARTICLE II

The general purposes for which this corporation is formed shall be:

(1) To preach the Gospel, to administer the ordinances of the New Testament, to minister to the spiritual needs of it's members and all people everywhere, to train Christian workers for the Lord's work, and to further the evangelizing of the world by winning men, women and children to a living faith in the triune God through Jesus Christ.

(2) To take, secure, accept, hold or acquire, by gift, purchase, legacy or otherwise, real and personal property, whenever it may deem the same proper, necessary and expedient in the work and purposes for which this body was organized and incorporated; and to hold, lease, encumber, give, exchange or sell and transfer and dispose of the same, in part or in whole when it deems such actions expedient, dispose of the same, in part or in whole when it deems such action expedient, necessary or beneficial in promoting and advancing the work and purposes for which this corporation is formed; and to do or accomplish such acts as this ministry/church body shall deem necessary or incidental thereto; all such acts as this ministry/church body shall deem necessary or incidental thereto; all such acts to conform to the laws of this state.

ARTICLE III

No part of the net earnings of the ministry/church shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to it's member, trustees, elders, officers or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payment and distribution in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article II (1) hereof. Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Trustees/ Elders shall, after paying and making provisions for the payment of all the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable educational and religious purposes, as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501 © of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law) as the Board of Trustees/Elders shall determine, it being anticipated that any such distribution on dissolution would be made to any successor of this ministry/church organization or another Non Profit Ministry or Church.

ARTICLE IV

The Corporation shall indemnify any and all persons who may serve or who have served at any time as Pastor, Associated Pastor or in another executive level staff position in the ministry/church, as a ministry/church officer or member of a ministry board or committee, as a youth leader for a ministry youth organization, or as a teacher or counselor of the ministry elected or appointed by the ministry or any board or committee of the ministry, against any and all expenses, including amounts paid upon judgments, counsel fees, and amounts paid in settlement (before or after suit is commenced) actually and necessarily incurred by such persons in connection with the defense or settlement of any claim, action suit or proceeding in which they, or any of them, are made parties, or a party, or which may be asserted against any of them or any of them, by reason being of or having been in one or more of the aforesaid positions, except in relation to matters as to which any such person shall be adjudged in any action, suit, or proceeding to be liable for his own negligence or misconduct in the performance of his duties. Such indemnification shall be in addition to any other rights to which those indemnified may be entitled under any law, bylaw, agreement or otherwise.

ARTICLE V

The period of duration of corporate existence of this corporation shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE VI

Declaration of Ministry: Reverend / Pastor Gerard Thomas (Skip) Ritter was "Ordained" on December 16, 1993 in the Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ wherein he exercises his gifts in the work of the ministry, preaching, teaching and administrating priestly functions such as marriages, funerals, baptisms and communion; conducts religious worship services; starting new churches; mentoring pastors; is engaged in control, conduct and maintenance of a ministry / church and ministries / and or a church body. Pastor G. T. "Skip" Ritter and his wife M. "Terri" Ritter are co-founders.

ARTICLE VII

The government of this ministry/church is vested in the Board of Elders, which is comprised of appointed members to the Elder Board from the ministry/church and / or elected from the members of the congregation. Trustees shall be the governing board until Elders are elected. Thus the final authority for decision shall be the Board of Elders (Trustees) to whom all boards, committees and staff are responsible. The Senior Pastor, G. T. Ritter shall be an automatic voting member of the Board of Elders. Associate pastors to the ministry/church shall also be added to the Board of Elders with the senior pastors recommendation and a majority vote of the Board of Elders. The Board of Elders shall meet and govern no less than once a year and the financial/physical year shall be from January 1 to December 31 of each year.

Further the Board Of Directors shall have the privilege upon request from the Senior Pastor of Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ after due examination and the agreement of the full board shall Licence, Commission and or Ordained individuals for the work of this ministry as they are called by the Lord to minister under the authority of this ministry. Each Licence or Commission given by the board shall have a time duration as set by the board and shall not exceed more than a one year period at a time, but shall be renewable by a simple majority of the board. All rights and privileges shall be granted to individuals licenced or commissioned and or ordained through this ministry as Missionaries and Ministers of the Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ, Inc. as defined by the State of Florida and the United States of America, Internal Revenue Service.

A "Housing Allowances" shall be granted yearly by the Board Of Directors for each person who is employed, licenced, commissioned and or ordained by this ministry/church or in the services of this ministry. The Housing Allowances shall be granted by the board at the November or December meetings of the Board of Directors for the ensuing tax year. Housing Allowances shall be determined by the board of directors in accordance with all state and federal regulations.

We, the undersigned, being all of the incorporators, for the purpose of forming a corporation do make and file these Articles of Incorporation, an here unto set out respective hands and seals this 29 day of December, 1998.

ARTICLE VIII
REGISTERED AGENT AND ADDRESS

G.T. "SKIP" RITTER
12109 BEEFLOWER DR.
BRADENTON, FL 34202

I HEREBY AM FAMILIAR WITH AND ACCEPT THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
AS REGISTERED AGENT.

Pastor G.T. Skip Ritter
G. T. "Skip" Ritter, Pastor, Acting Chairman
12109 BeeFlower Dr. Bradenton, FL 34202
REGISTERED AGENT

M Terri Ritter
M. Terri Ritter, Acting Secretary/ Treasurer
12109 BeeFlower Dr. Bradenton, FL 34202

Paul Richau
Paul Richau, Member
2745 Belvoir Blvd, Sarasota, FL 34237

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF MANATEE

The foregoing was acknowledged before me this 31st day of December, 1998 by
G.T. "Skip" Ritter, M. Terri Ritter and Paul Richau who provided Florida
Drivers Licenses as ID and who did not take an oath.

Paul H. Amann
Notary Public



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