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Secretary of State **Division of Corporations** P.O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

RE: Articles of Incorporation

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed please find The Articles of Incorporation for Lighthouse Ministries for Christ, Inc. and a check in the amount of \$70.00 for filing fees. Please file the articles and return to us at the above address. If you should have any questions, please contact us at 352-376-9576.

Sincerely,

Mary T. Dotson

Legal Assistant

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LIGHTHOUSE MINISTRIES FOR CHRIST, INC.,

a Florida not-for-profit corporation

# Article I - Name

The name of this corporation is LIGHTHOUSE MINISTRIES FOR CHRIST, INC., a Florida not-for-profit corporation. The mailing address for the corporation is 8921 NW 13th Street Extension, Gainesville, Florida 32653.

#### Article II - Duration

This corporation shall have a perpetual existence, commencing on the date of filing these articles with the Department of State.

#### Article III - Corporate Nature

This corporation is a not-for-profit corporation, organized solely for religious, charitable and educational purposes pursuant to the Florida Corporations Not-for-Profit Act, Chapter 617 of the Florida Statues, and shall perform all functions and have all powers as enumerated in Chapter 617 or in Chapter 607, Florida Statutes, as corporations not-for-profit may otherwise now or hereafter have or acquire.

#### Article IV - General Purposes

- A. The general purposes for which this corporation is formed are to establish a legal entity with power to perform all acts consistent the purposes more particularly described as follows:
- 1. To manage and operate a children's home for the care, nurturing and support of children at risk.
- 2. To perform such other charitable purposes by the distribution of funds, or otherwise, as deemed consistent with these purposes.

3. To operate exclusively for such religious, charitable and educations purposes as will qualify it as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as revised, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations which qualify as tax-exempt organizations under that Code. This corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted by a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under section 501(c)(3) of said Code, or by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of said Code, or any other corresponding provision of any present or future federal tax laws. This provision, however, will not be deemed to limit collateral activities which this corporation may engage in or which tax exempt status is not sought.

### Article V- Membership

Qualifications for members and the manner of their admission shall be provided for and regulated by the Bylaws.

# Article VI - Initial Registered Office and Agent

The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation is 8921 NW 13th Street Extension, Gainesville, Florida 32653 and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation at that address is BARBARA J. BECKWITH.

#### Article VII - Initial Board of Directors

This corporation shall have three (3) directors initially. The number of directors may be increased by the Bylaws, but shall never be less than three (3). The names and addresses of the initial directors of this corporation are:

BARBARA J. BECKWITH 8921 NW 13th Street Extension

Gainesville, FL 32653

ROGER P. BECKWITH 8921 NW 13th Street Extension

Gainesville, FL 32653

WILLIAM K. RAMSEY 3729 Pinebrook Drive

Acworth, Ga 30102

## Article VIII - Incorporator

The name and address of the person signing these articles is:

BARBARA J. BECKWITH

8921 NW 13th Street Extension Gainesville, FL 32653

#### Article IX - Indemnification

The corporation shall indemnify any officer or director, or any former officer or director, to the full extent permitted by law.

#### Article X - Amendment

This corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these articles of incorporation, or any amendment hereto, and any right conferred upon the shareholders is subject to this reservation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscriber has executed these articles of incorporation this 19 day of February, 1999.

BARBARA J. BECKWITH

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF ALACHUA

Before me personally appeared BARBARA J. BECKWITH well known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and acknowledged before me that he executed the same for the purposes therein expressed, that I relied upon the following form of identification:

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the County and State named above this

day of February, 1999.

OFFICIAL NOTARY SEAL
MARY T DOTSON
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF FLORIDA
COMMISSION NO. CC519488
MY COMMISSION EXP. DEC. 18,1999

Notary Public

My commission Expires:

# CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING REGISTERED AGENT FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE.

In pursuance of Chapter 607.0501, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted, in compliance with said Act;

First--That LIGHTHOUSE MINISTRIES FOR CHRIST, INC., a Florida not-for-profit corporation, desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida has named BARBARA J. BECKWITH of 8921 NW 13th Street Extension, Gainesville, FL 32653, County of Alachua, State of Florida, as its registered agent to accept service of process within this state.

# ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: (MUST BE SIGNED BY DESIGNATED AGENT)

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and accept the obligations of that position with which I am familiar.

BARBARA J. BECKWITH

# **RESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT**

I, BARBARA J. BECKWITH currently the Registered Agent of HALO HOME, INC., a Florida not-for-profit corporation, do hereby submit my resignation effective immediately.

DATED THIS 26TH day of March, 1998.