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Department of State
Division of Corporations
P. O. Box 6327
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SUBJECT: SHAMMAH OF GOD WORSHIP CENTER, INC.

(Proposed corporate name - must include suffix)

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

\$70.00 Filing Fee

\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of

Status

□\$78.75

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□ \$87.50

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ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Steven Paul Name (Prin

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NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

SHAMMAH OF GOD WORSHIP CENTER, INC.

(A Florida Nonprofit Corporation)

The undersigned, acting as an incorporator of a nonprofit Corporation pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation.

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this corporation is SHAMMAH OF GOD WORSHIP CENTER, INC.
hereinafter also referred to as the "Corporation."

ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS AND MAILING ADDRESS

The principal office of the Corporation within the State of Florida shall be located at 1446 25TH Street SW, Vero Beach, Florida 32962.

The Corporation may have such other offices, either within or outside the State of Florida, as the Board of Directors may determine from time to time.

The mailing address of the church shall be: 1446 25TH Street SW, Vero Beach, Florida 32962.

ARTICLE III PURPOSES, POWERS, AND LIMITATIONS

- A. The specific and primary purposes of this Corporation are:
 - 1. The preaching of the gospel of Jesus Christ through the establishment and maintenance of a local independent church of the Christian faith in the Vero Beach, Florida, area.

- 2. To propagate the gospel and further the cause of the kingdom of God in the State of Florida, the United States of America and in foreign lands.
- 3. To promote fellowship and means of cooperation between churches of like faith and doctrine.
- 4. To promote freedom of worship and liberty of expression within the limits of its own statement of faith and doctrine, among its own ministers and members.
- 5. To act with charitable and benevolent concern toward the indigent and impoverished through the distribution of food, clothing, and financial aid, as well as to provide short-term shelter and long-term housing to truly needy and deserving individuals and families, as funds and resources are available.
- 6. To conduct training of missionaries and ministers, to license and ordain qualified individuals to preach the gospel, including graduates of the ministerial training program of the Corporation, and provide credentials for same; to receive, hold and disburse gifts, bequests, devises and other funds for said purpose, and to do all things necessary and incidental thereto, all in accordance with the rules, regulations and doctrines of the Corporation.
- 7. To establish and maintain Bible and training schools, inaugurate and maintain charitable institutions, such as homes for the aged, rest homes for ministers and missionaries, orphanages, homes for the indigent and those bound by substance abuse, and kindred institutions.
- 8. To assist working parents in their struggle to lift themselves out of the clutches of poverty by providing high-quality Christ-centered pre-schools, learning centers, and child-care services.
- 9. To maintain such relations with local, state, federal and foreign governments as may be necessary for the successful accomplishment of the

purposes of the organization and for the welfare of the church, ministers and members thereof.

- 10. To receive contributions, to make donations and to dispense charitable contributions through, and otherwise aid and support, those organizations qualified for exemption from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now in effect or subsequently amended
- 11. To fulfill the Great Commission of Christ by supporting missions, both foreign and domestic, and supporting those performing the work of carrying the gospel as missionaries, both corporations and individuals.
- 12. To minister the Word of God and spread the Gospel by conducting religious services and evangelistic crusades in established churches and in public meeting facilities, through various forms of ministries, and through all lawful means, under the direction of the Lord Jesus Christ in accordance with all the provisions set forth in the Holy Bible. To engage in the business of radio broadcasting, including, but not limited to, AM, FM, FM-multiplex transmissions, satellite translators, and other means of electronic transmissions of music and messages; to own, sell, hold, lease, equip, maintain, and operate radio broadcasting and receiving stations; and to transmit, receive, retransmit, or collect by electronics means, religious music, sermons, teachings, plays, or any other thing of a religious nature which may be transmitted by radio, or electronic signals.

B. The general powers of the Corporation are:

- 1. To accept, receive, hold, sell, re-invest, and dispose of gifts, donations, devises, and bequests of both real and personal property.
- 2. To make Bylaws for the government of the Corporation, not inconsistent with the laws of the State of Florida, the United States, other states or foreign countries wherein the Corporation might minister; and to alter, revise and amend the same at will. The Bylaws of this Corporation shall, among other things, provide for:

- a. A definite and distinct ecclesiastical government,
- b. Formal code of doctrine and discipline,
- c. A regular congregation,
- d. An organization of ordained ministers ministering to the congregation,
- e. A system of ordaining ministers after completing prescribed courses of study or the equivalent thereof,
- f. A literature of the church,
- g. Regular religious services
- h. Sunday Schools and seminars for the instruction of young and old,
- i. Schools for the preparation of its ministers.
- 3. To purchase, acquire, own, hold, sell, use, mortgage, transfer, pledge, and deed in trust personal or real property; to supervise property of others; to borrow money; to issue bonds, debentures, notes, and other obligations of this Corporation, from time to time for any of the projects or purposes of this Corporation.
- 4. To buy, lease, rent, or otherwise acquire, hold or use, own, enjoy, sell, exchange, lease as lessor, mortgage, deed in trust, pledge, encumber, transfer on trust, or otherwise dispose of any and all kinds of property, whether real, personal, or mixed, and to receive property by devise or bequest.
- 5. To borrow money and to contract debts, to issue bonds, notes, and other evidences of indebtedness, and to secure them by any or all of the property of this Church or to issue them unsecured.
- 6. To enter into, make, perform, and carry out contracts of every kind for any lawful purpose and without limit on amount with any persons, firm, or corporation.
- 7. To engage such employees as may be necessary to perform the duties involved in carrying on the Corporation's business.

8. To have and to exercise all the powers conferred by Florida law upon nonprofit religious Corporations, as that law is now in effect or may at any time hereafter be amended.

C. IRREVOCABLE DEDICATION TO CHARITABLE, RELIGIOUS AND EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES.

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious and educational purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

D. PROHIBITION AGAINST PRIVATE BENEFIT.

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, any Director or Officer of the corporation or any member of the corporation or any other private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the corporation affecting one or more of its purposes), and no Director or Officer of the corporation, or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of the corporation.

E. PROHIBITION AGAINST POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.

No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publication or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

F. GENERAL LEGAL LIMITATIONS.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation, the corporation shall not conduct or carry on any activities not permitted to be conducted or carried on by an organization exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and Regulations issued pursuant thereto as

they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended, or by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code and said Regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended.

ARTICLE IV DIRECTORS

The affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors who shall have a fiduciary responsibility to the church. There shall be five (5) members of the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation. The initial Board of Directors shall hold office until the first Annual Business Meeting for the election of directors or until the respective successors to such directors shall be elected and qualified. At the end of their term of office as a Director or in the event of a vacancy on the Board, Directors shall be elected by the voting members of the Church at the a regular or special meeting thereof, in the manner set forth in the Bylaws of the Corporation. The qualifications, and terms of office, shall be set forth in the in the Bylaws of the Corporation. The number of directors may be fixed or changed from time-to-time only by an amendment to the Bylaws of the corporation..

ARTICLE V MEMBERS

The Corporation shall begin its operation with no members and therefore no classes of members.

ARTICLE VI DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986

(or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any of such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Circuit Court of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE VII INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT

The initial registered agent for service of process is Voltaire G. Pearce, Sr., whose mailing address is 1446 25TH Street SW, Vero Beach, Florida 32962

ARTICLE VIII INCORPORATOR

The name and residence addresses of the subscriber of these Articles of Incorporation is: Voltaire G. Pearce, Sr. at 1446 25TH Street SW, Vero Beach, Florida 32962

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Incorporator has executed these Articles of day of Febuary

Voltaire G. Pearce, Sr., Incorporator

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.

Voltaire G. Pearce, Sr.

Date