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**RE: Bethel Baptist Church, Incorporated, of Graceville, Florida**

Dear Sirs:

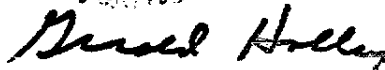
Enclosed please find the original of the Articles of Incorporation for the above-referenced corporation.

On the page where the incorporators signed, Ben Stoe signed on the wrong line, but he did sign. If this is a problem, please return this to me, and I will have this page resigned.

I am including a check in the amount of \$78.75, which covers the filing fee of \$35.00, the Registered Agent Designation of \$35.00, and the Certificate of Status of \$8.75.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Yours very truly,



Gerald Holley

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

**OF**

**BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, INCORPORATED, OF GRACEVILLE, FLORIDA  
(A Corporation Not For Profit)**

We, the undersigned, acting as incorporators of a non-profit corporation under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

**ARTICLE I**

**NAME:** The name of this corporation shall be **BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, INCORPORATED, OF GRACEVILLE, FLORIDA.**

**ARTICLE II**

**PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS AND MAILING ADDRESS:**

The principal place of business is :

Route 2, Box 108  
Graceville, Florida 32440

The mailing address is :

Route 2, Box 108  
Graceville, Florida 32440

**ARTICLE III**

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this corporation shall be that of a body of baptized believers in Jesus Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit to share the good new of Jesus Christ with as many people as possible in our church, community and throughout the world; to help people experience a growing knowledge of God and man through teaching, preaching, evangelism and missions, to minister unselfishly to all persons in our community and the world in Jesus' name.

**ARTICLE IV**

**QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERS OF ADMISSION:** The qualifications of members and manner of admission shall be as set forth in the By-Laws of this Corporation.

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**ARTICLE V**

**DURATION:** The period of duration of this Corporation shall be perpetual.

**ARTICLE VI**

**LIMITATION OF CORPORATE POWERS:** The corporate powers of this corporation are as provided in Section 617.0302, Florida Statutes.

**ARTICLE VII**

**INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT:** The name and the street address of the initial Registered Agent and registered office are:

Mike Arnold  
Route 2, Box 278  
Graceville, Florida 32440

**ARTICLE VIII**

**INCORPORATORS:** The names and the street addresses of the incorporators for these articles of incorporation are:

Mike Arnold  
Route 2, Box 278  
Graceville, Florida 32440

Eddie Coleman  
Route 2, Box 46D  
Bonifay, Florida 32425

Durwood Corbitt  
Route 2, Box 76  
Graceville, Florida 32440

Durell Bush  
Route 2, Box 62  
Graceville, Florida 32440

James Best  
Route 2, Box 321  
Graceville, Florida 32440

Ben Stoe  
Route 2, Box 322A  
Graceville, Florida 32440

Betty Joiner  
Route 2, Box 289  
Graceville, Florida 32440

Karon Mattox  
822 Fifth Street  
Chipley, Florida 32428

Chester Padgett  
993 12th Avenue  
Graceville, Florida 32440

Thelma Phillips  
Route 2, Box 78  
Graceville, Florida 32440

Bob Phillips  
Route 2, Box 78  
Graceville, Florida 32440

#### **ARTICLE IX**

**OFFICERS AND ELECTION OR APPOINTMENT:** The affairs of this corporation are to be managed by a Board of Directors composed of not less than three persons or more than five persons, who need not be members of this corporation. The first Board of Directors shall have three members; and in the future, the number will be determined from time to time in accordance with the provisions of the by-laws. The Board of Directors shall be elected annually commencing one year from incorporation.

#### **ARTICLE X**

**OFFICERS:** The officers of this Association shall be a President, Vice-President and Secretary, each of whom shall be elected by the Board of Directors following the election of the Board of Directors by the members of the corporation. The Board may elect themselves or other persons to fill such offices. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person.

#### **ARTICLE XI**

**NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF INITIAL DIRECTORS OR TRUSTEES:** The names and addresses of the individuals who are to serve as the initial Directors or Trustees are:

Mike Arnold  
Route 2, Box 278  
Graceville, Florida 32440

James Best  
Route 2, Box 321  
Graceville, Florida 32440

Durrell Bush  
Route 2, Box 62  
Graceville, Florida 32440

#### **ARTICLE XII**

**BY-LAWS:** The by-laws of this corporation may be made, altered or rescinded by any annual

meeting of the corporation, or at any special meeting duly called for such purpose, on the affirmative vote of 51% of all members present and voting. There shall be no votes by proxy. The initial by-laws of the corporation shall be made and adopted by the Board of Directors.

**ARTICLE XIII**

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION:** Amendments to these Articles of Incorporation of this corporation may be proposed and adopted by members of the corporation in the manner provided for under Article XII.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** for the purpose of forming this corporation under the Laws of the State of Florida, we, the undersigned, constituting the incorporators of this corporation, have executed these Articles of Incorporation, this 24 day of February, 1999.

Mike Arnold

Mike Arnold

Eddie Coleman

Eddie Coleman

Durwood Corbitt

Durwood Corbitt

Durrell Bush

Durrell Bush

James Best

James Best

Ben Stoe

Ben Stoe

Karon Mattox

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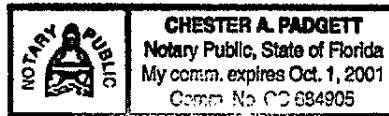
Bob Phillips

Karon J. Mattox  
Betty Joiner  
Chester Padgett  
Thelma Phillips  
Bob Phillips

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF JACKSON

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation of BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, INCORPORATED, OF GRACEVILLE, FLORIDA, were acknowledged before me this 27 day of February, 1999, by MIKE ARNOLD, as Incorporator, who produced the following identification: Personally Known, and who did take an oath.

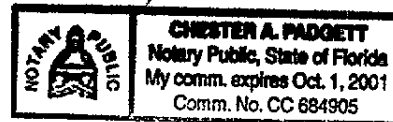
Chester Padgett  
Notary Public



STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF JACKSON

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation of BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, INCORPORATED, OF GRACEVILLE, FLORIDA, were acknowledged before me this 24 day of February, 1999, by EDDIE COLEMAN, as Incorporator, who produced the following identification: Personally Known, and who did take an oath.

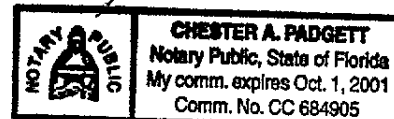
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Notary Public



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COUNTY OF JACKSON

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation of BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, INCORPORATED, OF GRACEVILLE, FLORIDA, were acknowledged before me this 24 day of February, 1999, by DURWOOD CORBITT, as Incorporator, who produced the following identification: Personally Known, and who did take an oath.

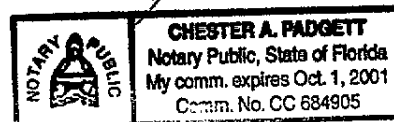
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Notary Public



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COUNTY OF JACKSON

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation of BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, INCORPORATED, OF GRACEVILLE, FLORIDA, were acknowledged before me this 24 day of February, 1999, by DURELL BUSH, as Incorporator, who produced the following identification: Personally Known, and who did take an oath.

Chester Padgett  
Notary Public



STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF JACKSON

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation of BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, INCORPORATED, OF GRACEVILLE, FLORIDA, were acknowledged before me this 24 day of February, 1999, by JAMES BEST, as Incorporator, who produced the following identification: Personally Known, and who did take an oath.

Chester Padgett  
Notary Public



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COUNTY OF JACKSON

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation of BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, INCORPORATED, OF GRACEVILLE, FLORIDA, were acknowledged before me this 23 day of February, 1999, by BEN STOE, as Incorporator, who produced the following identification: Personally Known, and who did take an oath.

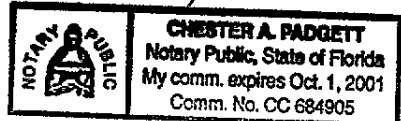
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Notary Public



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The foregoing Articles of Incorporation of BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, INCORPORATED, OF GRACEVILLE, FLORIDA, were acknowledged before me this 24 day of February, 1999, by KARON MATTOX, as Incorporator, who produced the following identification: Personally Known, and who did take an oath.

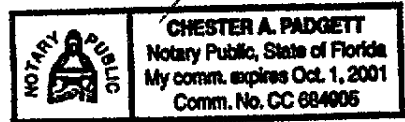
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COUNTY OF JACKSON

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation of BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, INCORPORATED, OF GRACEVILLE, FLORIDA, were acknowledged before me this 24 day of February, 1999, by BETTY JOINER, as Incorporator, who produced the following identification: Personally Known, and who did take an oath.

Chester Padgett  
Notary Public



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The foregoing Articles of Incorporation of BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, INCORPORATED, OF GRACEVILLE, FLORIDA, were acknowledged before me this 24 day of February, 1999, by CHESTER PADGETT, as Incorporator, who produced the following identification: Personally Known, and who did take an oath.

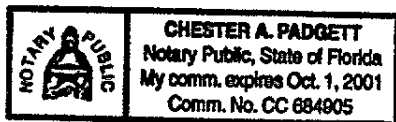
Chester Padgett  
Notary Public



STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF JACKSON

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation of BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, INCORPORATED, OF GRACEVILLE, FLORIDA, were acknowledged before me this 24 day of February, 1999, by THELMA PHILLIPS, as Incorporator, who produced the following identification: Personally Known, and who did take an oath.

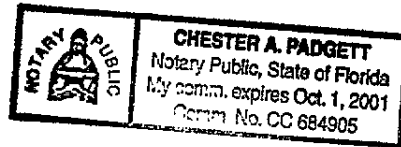
Chester Padgett  
Notary Public



STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF JACKSON

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation of BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, INCORPORATED, OF GRACEVILLE, FLORIDA, were acknowledged before me this 23 day of February, 1999, by BOB PHILLIPS, as Incorporator, who produced the following identification: personally known, and who did take an oath.

Chester Padgett  
Notary Public





**CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF  
REGISTERED AGENT AND REGISTERED OFFICE**

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PURSUANT to the provisions of Section 607.0501, Florida Statutes, the undersigned corporation, organized under the Laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered office and registered agent, in the State of Florida:

1. The name of the corporation is: **BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, INCORPORATED, OF GRACEVILLE, FLORIDA.**

2. The name and address of the registered agent and office are:

Mike Arnold  
Route 2, Box 278  
Graceville, Florida 32440

**HAVING BEEN NAMED** as Registered Agent and to accept service of process for the above state 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.

  
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Mike Arnold  
*Feb. 24*, 1999

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