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March 16, 1999

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P. O. Box 6327  
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Dear Madam:

Enclosed please find the Articles of Incorporation of Ebenezer African Methodist Episcopal Church. Please file these with the appropriate authorities. I have enclosed a check to cover the filing fees of \$35.00 <sup>78.75</sup> <sub>J. Baker</sub>.

If you have any questions or should you require any further information, please contact me at the above address.

Sincerely,

*Rev. Joseph E. Baker*  
Reverend Joseph E. Baker  
Pastor

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**Articles of Incorporation**  
of  
**Ebenezer African Methodist Episcopal Church, Inc.**  
1025 South Semoran Boulevard  
Winter Park, Florida 32795

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**I.**

**NAME**

The name of the corporation is Ebenezer African Methodist Episcopal Church, hereinafter referred to as the "corporation." *Inc.*

**II.**

**Principal Office**

The principal office of the corporation is 1025 South Semoran Boulevard, Suite #1093, Winter Park, Florida 32792, in Orange County, in the State of Florida.

**III.**

**Purpose(s) and initial business**

The purpose of the corporation is to be a non-profit corporation as prescribed by Section 501 (C) (3) and subsequent amendments, of the Internal Revenue Code, United States of America.

Additionally, The purpose of this corporation is in pursuance to a resolution adopted by the North Orlando District of the Central Florida Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. Whom in session June 11th 1997, in the North Orlando District Planning Meeting held at St. Mark African Methodist Episcopal Church, 826 Eight Street Haines City, Florida 33844, proposed and passed a resolution to establish a new church as a part of an area defined as the North Orlando District of the Central Florida Conference.

Further, the purpose of the corporation is in pursuance of the actions taken by the founding members to fulfill the actions of the resolution using the guidelines set forth in the current book of Doctrine and Discipline of The African Methodist Episcopal Church.

The other and further powers and purposes of the corporation are as follows:

1. To conduct religious, missionary and educational services, activities and projects.
2. To direct, supervise, oversee, protect and preserve the physical matters of the church.
3. The board of trustees, duly elected by the local church as provided by the doctrine and discipline of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, shall hold in trust for the general church, African Methodist Episcopal Church, Inc., all real, personal, and mixed property interest and rights of the church,

whether general or local in charter, or titled in any department, society, agency, auxiliary or board and not in their individual capacities. Further, No personal or real property, movable or immovable, or mixed, corporeal, or incorporeal, or other thing of value, not held by or under the jurisdiction of an Annual Conference of the A.M.E. Church, shall be sold, donated, mortgaged, conveyed, transferred, abandoned and/or encumbered without strict adherence to procedures and guidelines as set forth in the current or further amended Doctrine and Discipline of The African Methodist Episcopal Church. Notice is hereby given to whom it may concern that the right, power and authority to sell, donate, mortgage, convey, transfer, abandon, or encumber personal or real property, moveable or immovable or mixed, corporal, or anything of value rest with the power and authority granted to the local church as prescribed by *The Doctrine and Discipline of The African Methodist Episcopal Church*.

4. The board of trustees to be protected shall adhere to guidelines as prescribed by The Doctrine and Discipline of The African Methodist Episcopal Church, select, designate and retain general counsel for the church, who shall be competent to represent it in furtherance of its duties, wherein the property rights and other interests of whatever kind shall be protected.
5. If any church property is abandon in consequence of the disbanding of the society, the title of said property shall be vested in the annual conference in which it is located. All said property shall be sold by the annual conference trustees and the proceeds deposited in the annual conference treasury. Proceeds are to be used for mission work and church extension in the conference in which said property is located. The funds shall be disbursed by the direction of the conference committee on church extension with the approval of the annual conference. A duplicate record of the transaction shall be deposited with the general secretary of the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

#### IV.

##### Registered Agent

The initial registered agent address of the corporation is, Rev. Joseph E. Baker 8523 Peconic Drive Orlando, Florida 32835 (407) 290-2513.

#### V.

##### Duration

The duration of the corporation shall be perpetual.

#### VI.

##### No Personal Liability

The private property of the Incorporators and Directors shall not be subject to the payment of corporate debts.

#### VII.

##### Election of Officer and Operating Provisions

The constitution and by-laws which are to govern this corporation in all particulars which include the mode of election of officers, the regulation of the affairs of the corporation, both religious and temporal; members, and the rights thereof; the power to amend these articles of incorporation, to levy assessments on all members for all purposes and to do any and everything to consummate the purpose of this

corporation, is the publication known as The Book of Doctrine and Discipline of the African Methodist Episcopal Church as now published or which may hereafter be revised by the General Conference of The African Methodist Church, Inc Thereof.

VIII.

Incorporators

The names and mailing addresses of the incorporator(s) are:

<u>Incorporator Name</u>	<u>Incorporator address</u>
Rev. Joseph E. Baker	8523 Peconic Drive Orlando, Florida 32835

VIII.

Directors

Initial director(s) of the corporation:

The names and address:

<u>Directors Name</u>	<u>Directors Addresses</u>
Rev. Joseph E. Baker	8523 Peconic Drive Orlando, Florida 32835
Sandra Masson	1881-D Semoran Blvd, Orlando, FL 32792
Andrew Holder	1880-D Semoran Blvd, Orlando, FL 32792
Syrus Joseph	8106 X Elsee Drive Orlando, FL 32790
Tyrone Holder	1880-D Semoran Blvd Orlando, FL 32792

Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the Corporation shall be from: 03-16-99 to 12-31-99

Rev. Joseph E. Baker  
Signature/Incorporator

03-16-99  
Date

Rev. Joseph E. Baker  
Signature of registered agent

03-16-99  
Date

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