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Subject: Christian Assembly of Citrus County, Incorporated

Dear Corporation Attorney:

Enclosed you will find an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation for our ministry which we have prepared to be in harmony with the Internal Revenue Regulations as well as our church activities.

Our Articles of Incorporation may be more comprehensive than most who are filing, but we have been advised that having a complete description of our church organization will assist the Internal Revenue in making the proper classification.

I am enclosing a check in the amount of \$78.75 made payable to the Department of State to cover the Filing Fee and Certificate of Status for a church organization.

It is my understanding that if everything is in order you will return the complete set of the Articles, properly dated, and issue to us a certificate of Incorporation. Thank you for certifying these Articles.

Please note that these Articles of Incorporation contain no provisions of the By-laws.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vincent Circello

Vincent Circello, President

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Articles of Incorporation

Article I

The name of the Corporation shall be Christian Assembly of Citrus County,
Incorporated.

Article II

The duration of the Corporation is perpetual.

Article III

The name and address of the registered agent and registered office is:

Registered Agent - Vincent Circello - 7273 Tarrytown Dr., Springhill, FL 34606

Registered Office - P. O. Box 640102

City, Zip Code, County - Beverly Hills, Florida 34464

Article IV

The current Board of Trustees (Directors) shall be 5 in number, their names
and addresses being as follows:

<u>Directors Names</u>	<u>Street</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Zip Code</u>
Vincent Circello	7273 Tarrytown Dr.	Springhill	FL	34606
Greg Johns	2746 West Antioch Lane	Lecanto	FL	34461
Joan Johns	2746 West Antioch Lane	Lecanto	FL	34461
Raymond Patronelli	6203 Kelly Road	Plant City	FL	33566
Duane Hodgeman	58 Sunnyview Drive	Jericho	VT	05465

Article V

The purposes for which the Corporation is organized are: to operate exclusively for religious, charitable, educational and distinct ecclesiastical purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or any superseding statute thereto, and such purposes shall include the following:

(A) Religious

(B) To conduct a local church by the direction of the Lord Jesus and under the leadership of the Holy Spirit in accordance with all of the Commandments and provisions as set forth in the Holy Bible, the irrevocable Word of God. Pursuant thereto, the following activities and guidelines shall be established:

I A recognized Creed, Code of Doctrine, discipline and form of worship shall be established

II An ecclesiastical form of government shall be established.

III Ordination of ministers upon completion of the prescribed course of study, designed by this church ministry.

IV An organization of ministries shall be established to minister to the congregation of Christian Assembly of Citrus County, Incorporated.

V Establishment of a Church membership based upon acceptance of a recognized Creed and belief in and support of the church.

VI Spread the Word of the Gospel through seminars, radio, television, establishment of church literature, and other forms of mass media for the purpose of educating the individual in the Word of God.

VII Establishment of various religious services pursuant to the recognized Creed, form of worship, code of doctrine and discipline of the church and the establishment of Sunday Schools and religious schools for Christians and educational instruction to the young and to the old.

VIII Establishing a Bible Training School or School of Theology (not considered secondary educational institutions) for the preparation of ministers who minister to Christian Assembly of Citrus County, Incorporated.

- (C) Minister the Word of God to the faithful, and all others.
- (D) Promote and encourage, through the ministry of the Organization, cooperation with other Organizations ministering within the community.
- (E) To acquire and hold such property, either real or personal, for Church purposes, as may be necessary for its membership and the worship of God.

Article VI

In accordance with and in addition to the powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida, the Non-Profit Corporation shall have the following powers:

- (a) To receive and accept gifts of money and property and to hold the same for any of the purposes of the Corporation and its works.
- (b) To raise and assist in raising funds for the purposes herein set forth, including the issuance of bonds or other instruments of credit.
- (c) To acquire, own, lease, mortgage and dispose of property, both real and personal.
- (d) To conduct and carry on religious services and instruction through the public media, including electronic broadcasting, AM and FM radio, telecasting, closed circuit transmission and cable television.

- (e) To acquire, own and operate such broadcasting and/or telecasting facilities.
- (f) To issue annuities and to enter into gift-annuity contracts.
- (g) To accept property and donations in trust for religious or charitable purposes.
- (h) To acquire, hold, own, sell, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, or otherwise dispose of shares of capital stock, bonds, obligations or other securities of other corporations, domestic or foreign, as investments or otherwise, in carrying out any of the purposes of the Corporation and, while the owner thereof, to exercise all rights, powers and privileges of ownership, including the power to vote thereon.

Article VII

Christian Assembly of Citrus County, Incorporated is not organized for pecuniary gain or profit, nor shall it have any power to issue certificates of stock or declare dividends, and no part of its net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any members, directors, trustees or individuals, except that Christian Assembly of Citrus County, Incorporated shall be authorized and empowered to pay and to be paid a reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article V hereof.

No substantial part of the activities of Christian Assembly of Citrus County, Incorporated shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation and Christian Assembly of Citrus County, Incorporated shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) a political campaign.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, Christian Assembly of Citrus County, Incorporated shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by:

- (A) A Corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law)
- (B) A Corporation, contributions to which are deductible under 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law).
- (C) In the event of the dissolution of this Corporation, or in the event it shall cease to carry out the objectives and purposes herein set forth, all of the business, property and assets of the Corporation shall go and be distributed to such Non-Profit Corporation qualifying as an Organization exempt under the provisions of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or any superseding statute thereof, and as an Organization qualifying as a public charity under the provisions of Section 509 (a) (1) or 509 (a) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or any superseding statute, as the Directors of Trustees of the Corporation may select and designate; and in no event shall any of said assets or property, in the event of dissolution thereof, go or be distributed to members, either for the reimbursement of any sum subscribed, donated or contributed by such members, or for any other such purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of

by the District Court of the County in which the principal office of the Corporation is located, exclusively for such purposes, or the Organizations as said Court shall determine, which are organized exclusively for such purposes.

Special provisions, authorized or permitted by statute, to be contained in the Articles of Incorporation are shown as follows:

Article VIII

This Corporation is organized pursuant to the provisions of the State of Florida Non-Profit Corporation Code. All Trustees of this Corporation now in good and regular standing, and such other members as the Board of Trustees shall from time to time admit to membership, shall be members of this Corporation.

Article IX

The business and property of the Corporation shall be managed by a Board of 5 Directors (Trustees). The present Trustees now duly constituted and elected shall constitute the Board of Directors and they shall hold their offices permanently and so far as may be until other or further election. In the event of the inability of any Trustee to act, or in the event of the death of any Trustee, the remaining Trustees shall elect another Trustee, or Trustees, to fill the vacancy or vacancies, thus created. Each Trustee shall be a member in good standing of the Corporation. A new Trustee shall be elected by a majority vote of the total Trustees, excluding the Trustee whose position is being filled by vote.

- (A) The Trustees in their collective capacity shall be known as the Board of Trustees and under that name shall constitute the governing body, and

shall conduct and transact all business of the Corporation.

- (B) The Trustees shall have power and authority to hold an annual meeting of the Board of Trustees and may likewise hold special meetings as may be determined by the Board of Trustees. The annual meeting, if and when held, shall be held at the offices of the Corporation in Beverly Hills , Florida on the first Monday of February in each year at the hour of 7:00 P.M. of such day, or as soon thereafter in each year as is possible for the Trustees to call such a meeting: and any special meetings may be held at such time as the Trustees may determine, and all meetings shall be held at the offices of the Corporation in Beverly Hills, Florida.

- (C) The Board of Trustees shall have and is hereby given power and authority to provide for the qualifications and requirements for membership. Membership which, without doctrinal provisions or terminology, shall primarily require:

1. A belief in the Christian religion, with the salvation of men by grace through faith in the shed blood of Jesus Christ as the only atonement made for sin.
2. Belief in the Trinity of the Godhead.
3. Belief that the Church is one spiritual body made up of all true believers. This shall provide the means and manner of admission of membership, which admission shall be free of charge therefore, and shall likewise provide means for suspension from its membership.

- (D) The Board of Trustees shall have authority and power, which is hereby given, to provide suitable and proper means and religious ceremony and required tests and qualifications for entrance into the ministry of the church, hereby being established and organized. By and through the means established and administered, any and all applicants may be inducted into the ministry through license, commission or full ordination. This induction into the ministry shall be with all Church authority that is possible for any Church or ecclesiastical body to be given or to possess or to administer. The Minister will thereby be given authority to administer all sacred services of ecclesiastical bodies including all sacred and sacramental services, to further include the marriage service and the sacred services of dedication and baptism.
- (E) The Board of Trustees shall have the authority and power, which is hereby given, to establish, institute, operate and maintain any and all such additional departments, associations, institutions, schools, mission stations, programs, and/or any and all such other vehicles as may be deemed appropriate and advisable by said Board of Trustees for the propagation of the Gospel and Christian and religious worship within the United States of America and/or in any other country.
- (F) The Board of Trustees of Christian Assembly of Citrus County, Incorporated shall have power and authority, which is hereby given, to negotiate or designate agents to negotiate all of the business transactions, all receipts and all disbursements, for any such additional

departments, associations, institutions, schools, mission stations, programs and/or any and all such other vehicles established or instituted by this Corporation.

- (G) A majority of the Trustees shall constitute a quorum for the transaction, by the Board of Trustees, of any and all business, in accordance to the laws of the State of Florida.

Article X

The manner in which the Directors or the Trustees of the Corporation shall be elected or appointed shall be governed by the provisions of the By-laws of the Corporation.

The Corporation shall be a sovereign body, and the regulation of the internal affairs of the Corporation shall be governed by the provisions of the By-laws of the Corporation.

The place where the business of Christian Assembly of Citrus County, Incorporated shall be transacted is, Beverly Hills, Florida where said principal office shall be.

Article XI

The name and address of the Incorporator to these Articles of incorporation is:

Vincent Circello

7273 Tarrytown Drive, Springhill, Florida 34606

Vincent Circello

Signature of Incorporator

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Date

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. ...

Vincent Circello

Vincent Circello

Signature/Registered Agent

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