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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF NEW FREEDOM MINISTRIES, INC.

TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

THE UNDERSIGNED hereby associate themselves for the purpose of forming a corporation not-for-profit under and pursuant to Chapter 617, <u>Florida Statutes</u> (1997) and do certify as follows:

#### ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this corporation is NEW FREEDOM MINISTRIES, INC. The corporation is sometimes referred to herein as the "Corporation".

## ARTICLE II DEFINITIONS

All terms used herein are to have the same meaning as said terms have in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Corporation and any amendments thereto, subject to definitions set forth in Florida law.

## ARTICLE III PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND AGENT

The principal place of business and initial registered office of the Corporation is: 11500 S.W. Kanner Highway, #314, Indiantown, Florida 34956. The registered agent of the Corporation at that address is: James Crosby.

## ARTICLE IV OBJECTS, PURPOSES AND POWERS

Section 1. The purpose of the corporation is to establish and maintain a place for the worship of Almighty God, Our Heavenly Father, to provide for Christian fellowship for those of like precious faith, where the Holy Spirit may be honored according to our distinctive testimony, to assume our share of responsibility and the privilege of propagating the Gospel of Jesus Christ by all available means, both at home and in foreign lands, to engage in any other activity which further these purposes or are ancillary or incident thereof, and to engage in other activities permitted for charitable organizations under the laws of the State of Florida, any other state and the United States.

Section 2. The purposes for which the corporation is organized are exclusively religious, charitable and educational within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

Section 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

Section 4. Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the State Court having jurisdiction in 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.

Section 5. The corporation shall have the power to do all things necessary and proper to carry out and accomplish the above objects and purposes and of such other objects and purposes as are deemed necessary or proper by its Directors. The Corporation shall have all of the powers of a Corporation not-for-profit organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, and all the powers reasonably necessary to implement the powers of the Corporation.

## ARTICLE V MAILING ADDRESS

The mailing address of the Corporation is: 11500 S.W. Kanner Highway, #314, Indiantown, Florida 34956.

#### ARTICLE VI MEMBERS

Section 1. The Members of this Corporation shall be open to those who give evidence of their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, who voluntarily subscribe to the tenants of faith of the Corporation, who agree to be governed by the Articles of Incorporation, Constitution and Bylaws of the Corporation and who apply to and are accepted by the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

Section 2. Membership of this Corporation cannot be assigned, hypothecated or transferred in any manner.

#### ARTICLE VII TERM

This Corporation shall exist perpetually.

#### ARTICLE VIII BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of not less than three (3) Directors. The first Board of Directors shall consist of three (3) members. The Board of Directors shall be elected by the Members of the Corporation entitled to vote as provided in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Corporation. The names and addresses of the first Board of Directors who shall hold office until the first annual meeting and thereafter until their successors are elected and have qualified, are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
James Crosby	11500 S.W. Kanner Highway, #314 Indiantown, Florida 34956
Linda Crosby	11500 S.W. Kanner Highway, #314 Indiantown, Florida 34956
Lee Combs	2357 S.W. Wynnewood Street Port St. Lucie, FL 34953

#### ARTICLE IX OFFICERS

The officers of the Corporation shall consist of a Senior Pastor (who shall serve as the President of the Corporation), a Secretary and a Treasurer. The officers of the Corporation shall be elected in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Corporation.

#### ARTICLE X INDEMNIFICATION

Every Director and every officer of the Corporation shall be indemnified by the Corporation against all expenses and liabilities, including counsel fees reasonably incurred by or imposed by him in connection with any proceeding to which he may be a party, or in which he may become involved, by reason of his being or having been a Director or officer

of the Corporation, or any settlement thereof, whether or not he is a Director or officer at the time such expenses are incurred, except in such cases wherein the Director or officer is adjudged guilty of willful misfeasance or malfeasance in the performance of his duties; provided that in the event of a settlement, the indemnification herein shall apply only when the Board of Directors approves such settlement and reimbursement as being for the best interest of the Corporation. The foregoing right of indemnification shall be in addition to and not exclusive of all other rights to which such Director or officer may be entitled.

## ARTICLE XI AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES

These Articles may be amended by an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Members of the Corporation entitled to vote.

#### ARTICLE XII BY-LAWS

The Corporation shall adopt By-Laws governing the conduct of the affairs of the Corporation. The By-Laws shall be altered, amended, or rescinded as provided in the By-Laws by the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Members of the Corporation present at any annual or special meeting of the Members.

## ARTICLE XIII SUBSCRIBER

The names and addresses of the subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation are as follows:

James Crosby

11500 S.W. Kanner Highway, #314 Indiantown, Florida 34956

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the subscribing incorporator has hereunto set his hand and caused these Articles of Incorporation to be executed this <u>13</u> day of <u>April</u>, 1999.

James Crosby

#### STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF MARTIN

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 13th day of
1999 by James Crosby (1975)
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IDENTIFICATION) as identification and who (PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING) [ ] did or [X] did not take an
oath. He subscribed the above Articles of Incorporation, and he did freely and voluntarily
ack lowledged before me according to law that he made and subscribed the same for the
uses and purposes therein mentioned and set forth.

Maretza Polanc o (Print Name)
NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission Expires: 5-/4/99

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-stated Corporation, at place designated in this Certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of said Act relative to keeping open said place.

James Crosby

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