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Secretary of State
Division of Corporations
P. O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

Re: Articles of Incorporation (Miracle Deliverance Outreach Center, Inc.).

Ladies/Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find the original and ONE (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation for the above-referenced corporation, together with the original and ONE (1) copy of the certificate designating registered agent.

It would be most appreciated if you would file said articles and certificate, and return the photocopy (not certified copy) thereof to this office with the date of filing stamped thereon.

Also enclosed please find my office check in the amount of \$70.00 broken down as follows: Filing fee (\$35.00) and registered agent fee (\$35.00).

Thanking you, and should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

John B. Crowther
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
MIRACLE DELIVERANCE OUTREACH CENTER, INC.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, hereby associate ourselves together for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit, under the laws of the State of Florida, Chapter 617, Florida Statutes (1999), as amended, and do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE I
NAME

The name of the corporation is MIRACLE DELIVERANCE OUTREACH CENTER, INC.

ARTICLE II
DURATION

The term of existence of the corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE III
PURPOSES

The purposes of the corporation are to reach out and convey the Word of God, and to engage in, assist and contribute to the support of exclusively religious, charitable or educational activities and projects.

ARTICLE IV
POWERS

SECTION 1: The corporation shall have the power to hold, receive, lease and purchase property, real, personal and mixed, and to sell, lease, encumber and dispose of such property, and shall have all other powers granted to corporations not for profit by the Laws of the State of Florida. However, the corporation shall not carry on any activities, nor shall it exercise any powers, prohibited

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to an organization exempt from federal income tax under the Internal Revenue Code, nor shall the corporation issue stock or pay dividends.

SECTION 2: No part of the income or earnings of the corporation, or its assets, shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered, and to make payments and distributions, and to confer benefits, in furtherance of its purposes.

ARTICLE V **AFFILIATION**

This corporation shall be strictly autonomous and congregational in its government, and it is subject to no other ecclesiastical body whatsoever.

ARTICLE VI **MEMBERSHIP**

The qualifications for membership in this corporation shall be a willingness to be ruled and governed by the Word of God, to profess belief in and the reception of Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior, baptism, and the giving of assurance of a desire to live a consistent Christian life. A qualified person, if already baptized, may be admitted to membership by a letter of recommendation from another church after satisfactory examination by the Pastor and Deacons of the corporation; or, if not already baptized, by bearing testimony of his or her salvation to the satisfaction of the Pastor and Deacons of the corporation and by baptism. All eligible voting members of the corporation shall be entitled to vote upon all questions which may properly come before any meeting of the congregation, and may be appointed or elected to hold office in the corporation. An "eligible voting member" shall be defined as a member who regularly attends the church and who regularly supports it with tithes and offerings.

ARTICLE VII
SUBSCRIBERS

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

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
CAROLYN J. LANE	1461 South High Street DeLand, Florida 32720
JERUTHA ANN HOUGH	P. O. Box 333 Lake Helen, Florida 32744
DEBORAH FLOYD	1213 South Delaware Avenue DeLand, Florida 32720

ARTICLE VIII
GOVERNMENT

SECTION 1: The Pastor shall be an eligible voting member of the corporation and shall be appointed or removed by a majority vote of the eligible voting members of the corporation at a special meeting called for that purpose, or at the annual meeting of the corporation, provided, however, that it is announced from the pulpit as an agenda item on at least FOUR (4) successive Sundays before the annual meeting. All members of the corporation shall look to the Pastor as their spiritual leader and advisor. The Pastor shall preach the Bible according to New Testament doctrine. The Pastor shall be an *ex-officio* voting member of the Board of Trustees.

SECTION 2: There shall be an Assistant Pastor who shall be an eligible voting member of the corporation and who shall be appointed or removed by the Pastor, subject to the consent and approval of a majority of the Deaconate. The Assistant Pastor shall assist the Pastor in the performance of his or her spiritual duties, and shall assume the duties of the Pastor in the absence of the Pastor.

SECTION 3: There shall be a Board of Deacons, to be collectively known as the Deaconate. The number of Deacons and their election shall be as set forth in the By-Laws. The Deacons shall be eligible voting members of the corporation and shall meet the spiritual qualifications as set forth in I *Timothy* 3:8-13. They shall assist the Pastor in those ways which the Pastor shall direct, including ushering, receiving the offering, assisting with water baptism and communion, and praying for the sick and needy. Members of the Deaconate shall serve a term of ONE (1) year or until their successors are elected and assume office, and shall be permitted to succeed themselves in office. The Deaconate shall have the power to fill any vacancies which may occur in its body during the ensuing year, until the next annual meeting of the congregation.

SECTION 4: There shall be a Board of Trustees, which shall not deal with spiritual matters, but shall insure that the business affairs, temporal, and legal matters of the corporation are properly executed in accordance with these Articles, the By-Laws, and local, state and federal laws, regulations, and ordinances. The Board of Trustees shall have the authority, on behalf of the corporation, to buy, sell, hold, transfer, lease, mortgage, pledge, hypothecate, and to otherwise deal with property owned by the corporation, real, personal, or mixed, and to otherwise bind the corporation, upon a majority vote of the Board of Trustees, as evidenced by the signature of the Chairman of the Board, and attested by the Secretary/Treasurer. The Board of Trustees shall consist of not fewer than THREE (3) members, each of whom shall be eligible voting members of the corporation. Members of the Board of Trustees shall serve a term of TWO (2) years or until their successors are elected and assume office, and shall be permitted to succeed themselves in office. The Board of Trustees shall be responsible for all of the corporation's property and shall see that it is kept in a proper state of repair. The Trustees may designate funds received by the corporation for specific

corporate purposes, including, but not limited to, evangelistic or missionary offerings and building funds, all for the furtherance of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The election of the Board of Trustees shall be as set forth in the By-Laws. The Board of Trustees shall have the power to fill all vacancies which may occur in its body during the ensuing year, until the next annual meeting. The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve, initially, as the Board of Trustees are:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
REVEREND CAROLYN J. LANE	1461 South High Street DeLand, Florida 32720
JERUTHA ANN HOUGH	P. O. Box 333 Lake Helen, Florida 32744
DEBORAH FLOYD	1213 South Delaware Avenue DeLand, Florida 32720
ALISHIA THOMAS	434 South Salisbury Avenue DeLand, Florida 32720
PATRICIA W. WHITES	512 South Thompson Avenue DeLand, Florida 32720
ALLEN GIBSON	611 Ambrose Street DeLand, Florida 32720

SECTION 5: There shall be a Secretary/Treasurer, elected as set forth in the By-Laws, who shall be an eligible voting member of the corporation and who shall serve a term of ONE (1) year or until his or her successor is elected and assumes office. The Secretary/Treasurer shall be permitted to succeed himself or herself in office. The Secretary/Treasurer shall keep a permanent, itemized set of records, weekly, monthly, and yearly of all monies received by, and all monies paid out by, the corporation. Unless required by the By-Laws to report more frequently, the Secretary/Treasurer shall give a detailed report of the corporation's financial status to the congregation on the first Sunday

morning following the close of each calendar quarter. The Secretary/Treasurer shall attend each meeting of the Board of Trustees and shall take and record the minutes of each such meeting, entering the same as a permanent record in the corporate minute book kept by the Secretary/Treasurer for that purpose. The Secretary/Treasurer shall pay all authorized expenditures of the corporation by check, and all such checks shall be co-signed by ONE (1) member of the Board of Trustees. A petty cash fund may be maintained by the Secretary/Treasurer to pay the minor expenses of the corporation, subject to the supervision of the Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE IX **BY-LAWS**

The By-Laws of this corporation, which shall not be inconsistent with these Articles, shall be made, altered or rescinded by a majority vote of the eligible voting members of the corporation, at the annual meeting of the corporation, or at a special meeting called for that purpose.

ARTICLE X **DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION OF THE CORPORATION**

In the event this corporation shall be dissolved, all of its assets and property, on the winding up of its affairs and after paying or making provision for the payment of all of its liabilities, shall be turned over to ONE (1) or more organizations which are themselves exempt as organizations under Sections 501(c)(3) and 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code (1954), or corresponding sections of any prior or future law, or to the federal, state, or local government exclusively for public purpose.

ARTICLE XI **AMENDMENTS TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended at a special meeting of the eligible voting members of the corporation, duly called and convened for that purpose, and, if approved by TWO-

THIRDS (2/3) of said members present and voting, the amendment shall thereupon be, and shall form, a part of these Articles of Incorporation upon subsequent confirmation thereof by the Department of State of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE XII
INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

The initial Registered Office of the corporation is 264 West Voorhis Avenue, DeLand, Florida 32720, and the initial Registered Agent shall be CAROLYN J. LANE, whose residence address is 1461 South High Street, DeLand, Florida.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned Incorporators have hereunto set their hands and seals this 5th day of October, 1999.

Carolyn J. Lane L. S.
Carolyn J. Lane

Jerutha Ann Hough L. S.
Jerutha Ann Hough

Deborah Floyd L. S.
Deborah Floyd

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF VOLUSIA

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, an officer duly authorized in the State and County aforesaid to administer oaths and to take acknowledgments, personally appeared CAROLYN J.

LANE, JERUTHA ANN HOUGH, and DEBORAH FLOYD, who each presented Florida Driver's Licenses as identification, they each acknowledged before me that they executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein expressed, and they each took an oath.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the State and County last aforesaid, this 5th day of October, 1999.

Margaret S. Crowther
Notary Public, State of Florida

My commission expires:



Margaret S. Crowther
MY COMMISSION # CC784702 EXPIRES
November 2, 2002
BONDED THRU TROY FAIN INSURANCE, INC.

This instrument prepared by:

John B. Crowther
Attorney at Law
279 East Graves Avenue
Orange City, Florida 32763

**CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE
FOR SERVING PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE AND NAMING AN
AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED**


THE FOLLOWING is submitted in compliance with Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes (1999), as amended:

MIRACLE DELIVERANCE OUTREACH CENTER, INC., a corporation organizing under the Laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office at 264 West Voorhis Avenue, DeLand, Florida 32720, and its Registered Office at that same address, has named CAROLYN J. LANE, as its agent to accept process within this State.

ACCEPTANCE

HAVING BEEN NAMED to accept service of process for the above-named corporation at the place designated as the Registered Office in this certificate, I hereby accept said designation and agree to act in this capacity, and further agree to comply with the provisions of said statute relative to keeping open said Registered Office.

DATED this 5th day of October, 1999.


Carolyn J. Lane
Registered Agent

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