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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF BYRD MINISTRIES, INC.



<u>PREAMBLE</u>

We hereby associate ourselves together for the purpose of establishing and constituting a non-profit corporation of Christian ministries in accordance with the laws of God and pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Statutes of the State of Florida relative to corporations not for profit. As such, in covenant we hereby subscribe these Articles with the Secretary of State for the purpose of establishing this corporation.

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this Corporation is Byrd Ministries, Inc.

ARTICLE II – TERMS OF EXISTENCE

This Corporation shall begin on October 29, 1999, and thereafter shall exist perpetually.

ARTICLE III - PURPOSES

The objectives and purposes for which this Corporation is organized are:

- A. To disseminate the Gospel of Jesus Christ, His unfailing love, and God's Holy Word, so that unbelievers may be evangelized, hurting people may find hope, and believers may mature in their Christian experience and be prepared for ministry. This will be accomplished through preaching, teaching, training, music, drama, and publishing and distributing Christian written and electronic media.
- B. To perform the ordinances of the Church, including water baptism for believers and the celebration of Holy Communion.
- C. To plan and establish churches and outreach missions.

ARTICLE IV - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

While the future principal office can be within or without the state of Florida (at the discretion of the Board of Directors), the initial principal office and mailing address of this Corporation are:

Byrd Ministries, Inc. 15809 Hound Horn Lane Tampa, FL 33624

ARTICLE V – REGISTERED AGENT AND REGISTERED OFFICE

The official registered agent of this Corporation, along with his address, is:

Tony Byrd 15809 Hound Horn Lane Tampa, FL 33624

ARTICLE VI – FUNCTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ITS OFFICERS

The affairs of this Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors (at least 3 in number) who shall be elected annually by majority vote of the members of this Corporation at a duly called meeting as provided in the Bylaws. The Board of Directors will then out of its number elect officers who will hold the positions of President, Vice President and Secretary, as well as any other positions provided for in the Bylaws of this Corporation. The duties of the respective officers and the manner of filling a vacancy in any office of this Corporation shall be provided in the Bylaws.

Meetings of the Board of Directors for the purpose of conducting any business may be held within or without the state of Florida, providing a majority is present to provide a quorum.

This Corporation will indemnify the acts of directors and officers acting in their capacities as directors or officers.

Directors and officers of this Corporation may be removed, with or without cause, by the members at a meeting duly called in the manner provided in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE VII – ORIGINAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

The initial board of directors for this Corporation shall consist of six members whose names and addresses follow (officers are listed):

- Tony Byrd, President
 15809 Hound Horn Lane, Tampa, FL, 33624
- 2. Heather Byrd, Vice President 15809 Hound Horn Lane, Tampa, FL, 33624
- 3. Mona Coats, Secretary 2142 Redleaf Dr., Brandon, FL 33510
- 4. Kevin Coats
 2142 Redleaf Dr., Brandon, FL, 33510
- 5. James Byrd 452 Greystone Lane, Douglasville, GA, 30134
- 6. Paul Valo 1612 Colleen Dr., Orlando, FL 32809

ARTICLE VIII - POWERS

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this Corporation will 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 of an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or any other corresponding provisions of any future United States, Internal Revenue law. Further, this

Corporation shall exercise corporate powers as set forth in Florida Statutes Not For Profit Corporation Act as it may exist from time to time.

ARTICLE IX - MEMBERSHIP

The membership of this Corporation shall be designated, qualified and empowered as follows:

- A. The initial Board of Directors shall comprise the initial membership.
- B. Additional members may be admitted in a non-discriminate manner by way of completing an application process and receiving a majority vote of the acting Board of Directors, provided each candidate for membership is:
 - 1. a professing, born again Christian;
 - 2. dedicated to the purposes of the Corporation;
 - 3. supportive of the Corporation and its purposes, as evidenced through faithful investment of his/her time, gifts and skills, and financial resources.

ARTICLE X – AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

The Bylaws of this Corporation may be made, altered or rescinded from time to time in whole or in part by a majority vote of the Board of Directors in any meeting duly called and convened.

ARTICLE XI – AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

These Articles may be amended by resolution adopted by majority vote of the members of this Corporation in any meeting duly called or convened.

ARTI(CLE XII – NAME AND ADDRESS OF INCORPORATOR	a - 14
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	Tony Byrd, INCORPORATOR	

Tony Byrd 15809 Hound Horn Lane Tampa, FL 33524

REGISTERED AGENT'S AGREEMENT

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-stated Corporation, I hereby agree to act in this capacity at the address designated. Further, I agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties.

Tony Byrd, REGISTERED AGENT

Date: October 29, 1999

NOTARIZATION

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this 29th day of October, 1999, personally appeared TONY BYRD, to me personally known and by me known to be the person described in and who signed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and with oath acknowledged to me that they executed the same freely and voluntarily for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal the date aforesaid.

Type of Identification

Notary Public, State of Florida At Large

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