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## THE JERICHO BAPTIST CHURCH MINISTRIES, INC.

## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

FIRST: The undersigned, all being adult persons at least eighteen (18) years of age duly elected by the Members (as herein-after defined) of the congregation of **Jericho Baptist Church Ministries, Inc.** (the "Church") to serve as trustees (the "Trustees") in the name and on behalf of the Church to manage its assets, estate, property, interests and inheritance, pursuant to Title 5, Subchapter 3, of the Corporations and Associations Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, do hereby associate ourselves as incorporators with the intention of forming a religious corporation under and by virtue of the provisions of the General Laws of the State of Maryland, and do hereby certify to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland as follows:

SECOND: The name of the Church and the church is Jericho Baptist Church Ministries, Inc.

THIRD: The plan for the Church (the "Plan") is and shall be as follows:

- (1) The purposes for which the Church is formed are:
- (a) The specific purposes of the Church are:
- (i) To establish and maintain a church, as the successor to Jericho Baptist Church Ministries, Inc., as District of Columbia religious corporation, to continue providing for the enlightenment of the world through the teaching and preaching of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ and supporting those in need through programs, ministries, outreach, sustaining various facilities at and near the Church and maintaining various services at and around the Church in Landover, Prince George's County, Maryland and beyond;
- (ii) To act as faithful Christian disciples in the matters of stewardship of time, talents, treasure, energies and resources (financial, physical, structural, etc.) for accomplishing these purposes;
- (iii) To provide opportunities for religious, cultural, social, educational and humanitarian Christian ministries;
- (iv) To provide for and encourage each other through auxiliary ministries and programs as adopted by the Board of Trustees, and;
- (v) To adopt and establish Articles of Incorporation, Constitution, By-Laws, rules and regulations in accordance with applicable law in order to provide for the accomplishment of the purposes of the Church.

- The Church is further organized exclusively for religious, educational and charitable purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations which qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), and, more specifically, to receive and administer funds for such religious, charitable and educational purposes, all for the public welfare, and for no other purposes; and to that end to take and hold, by bequest, devise, gift, purchase, or lease, either absolutely or in trust for such objects and purposes or any of them, any property, real, personal or mixed, without limitation as to amount of value, except such limitations, if any, as may be imposed by law; to sell, convey, and dispose of any such property and to invest and reinvest the principal thereof, and to deal with and expend the income therefrom for any of the before-mentioned purposes, without limitation, except such limitations, if any, as may be contained in the instrument under which such property is received; to receive any property, real, personal or mixed, in trust, under the terms of any will, deed of trust, or other trust instrument for the foregoing purposes or any of them, and in administering the same to carry out the directions, and exercise the powers contained in the trust instrument under which the property is received, including the expenditure of the principal as well as the income, for one or more of such purposes, if authorized or directed in the trust instrument under which it is received, but no gift, bequest or devise of any such property shall be received and accepted if it be conditioned or limited in such manner as shall require the disposition of the income or its principal to any person or organization other than a "charitable organization" or for other than "charitable purposes" within the meaning of such terms as defined in Section 1(d) of this Plan, or as shall, in the opinion of the Trustees, jeopardize the federal income tax exemption of the Church pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now in force or afterwards amended; to receive, take title to, hold, and use the proceeds and income of stocks, bonds, obligations or other securities of any corporation or corporations, domestic or foreign, but only for some or all of the foregoing purposes; and, in general, to exercise any, all and every power for which a non-profit corporation organized under the applicable provisions of the Annotated Code of Maryland for religious, educational, and charitable purposes, all for the public welfare, can be authorized to exercise, but only to the extent the exercise of such powers are in furtherance of exempt purposes.
- (c) No part of the net earnings of the Church shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its Trustees, ministers, officers, members or other private persons, except that the Church shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article THIRD, Section (1) hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the Church shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Church shall not participate, or intervene (including the publishing or distribution of statements), in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Plan, the Church shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on: (a) by a corporation 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) or, (b) by a corporation contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

## (d) In this Plan:

- (1)(i) References to "charitable organization" or "charitable organizations" mean corporations, trusts, funds, foundations, or community chests created or organized in the United States or in any of its states, territories, possessions, or the District of Columbia, whether under the laws of the United States, any state or territory, the District of Columbia, or any possession of the United States, organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes, no part of the net earnings of which inures or is payable to or for the benefit of any private stockholder or individual, and no substantial part of the activities of which involves carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation and which do not involve participating, or intervening, in any political campaign on behalf of any candidates for public office (including the publishing or distributing of statements).
- (ii) The term "charitable purposes" shall be limited to and shall include only religious, charitable, or educational purposes within the meaning of the terms used in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 but only such purposes as also constitute public charitable purposes under the laws of the United States, any state or territory, the District of Columbia, or any possession of the United States.
- (2) The time and manner for election and succession of Trustees is as follows: As the Successor Church of Jericho Baptist Church Ministries, Inc., a District of Columbia religious corporation, the undersigned Incorporators shall serve as the initial Trustees until their replacements shall be elected by the initial Trustees of the Church. Trustees shall serve for a term of four (4) years, which terms shall be staggered as determined by the Board of Trustees so that three (3) members shall be elected at an annual meeting of the Trustees if a term expires. Trustees, who must be Members of the Church to be eligible for election, cannot serve for more than two (2) consecutive four-year terms. A majority of the Trustees at a meeting of the Trustees at which a quorum is present shall be sufficient to elect a Trustee. Vacancies on the board of Trustees may be filled until the next annual meeting of the Trustees by a vote of a majority of the then serving Trustees.
- (3) (a) In order to qualify to be elected as a Trustee and officer of the Church, a Trustee shall:
  - (1) be a tithing member of the Church in good financial standing,
  - (2) subscribe to the Articles and Bylaws of the Church and
  - (3) satisfy the requirements set forth in the Bylaws.

- (b) Membership to the Church shall be open all who accept Jesus Christ as Lord.
- (c) There shall be two (2) classes of membership. One class of membership shall consist of Trustees members of the Church and one (1) class of membership shall consist of all non-Trustee members of the Church. Voting rights for any and all matters regarding or affecting the governance or operation of the Church pursuant to Title 5, Subchapter 3, of the Corporations and Associations Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended, or any other provision or requirement of law, which shall include but not be limited to the receipt, purchase, sale or transfer of real or personal property; amendment of these Articles, the bylaws of the Church or the Plan of the Church; selection of clergy; merger or dissolution of the Church; shall be limited to the Trustees of Church; etc. Non-Trustee members of the Church shall not have nor be entitled to have voting rights regarding the governance or operation of the Church.

FOURTH: The existence of the Church shall be perpetual.

FIFTH: The address of the principal place of worship of the Church is 8501 Jericho City & Bishop Peebles Drive, Landover, Maryland 20785.

SIXTH: The name and address of the resident agent of the Church is Isaac H. Marks, Sr., 11785 Beltsville Drive, 10th Floor, Calverton, MD 20705. Said resident agent is An adult citizen of the State of Maryland.

SEVENTH: The initial number of Trustees of the Church is Six (6), which number may be increased pursuant to the By-Laws of the Church but shall never be less than three (3). The names and addresses of those persons serving as initial Trustees are:

Gloria McClam-Magruder	5913 E. Boniwood Turn	Clinton, MD 20735
Dorothy L. Williams	9104 Westphalia	Upper Marlboro, MD 20774
Denise Killen	336 Wesmond Drive	Alexandria, VA 22305
Clarence D. Jackson	2502 Fort Drive	Suitland, MD 20746
Clifford Boswell	12310 Cedarbrook Lane	Laurel, MD 20708
Lynda Pyles	3611 Scugg Place	Springdale, MD 20774

EIGHTH: The Church is not organized for profit; it shall have no capital stock and shall not be authorized to issue capital stock. The number, qualifications of, and other matters relating to, its Members shall be as set forth in these Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws of the Church.

NINTH: Upon the dissolution of the Church, the Trustees shall, by majority vote of the Trustees and after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Church, dispose of all of the assets of the Church exclusively for the purposes of the Church in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational or religious purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Trustees shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Circuit Court for the County where the principal place of worship of the Church is located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such religious, charitable or educational purposes.

TENTH: The Church may by its By-Laws make any other provisions or requirements for the arrangement or conduct of the business of the Church, provided the same be not inconsistent with these Articles of Incorporation nor contrary to the laws of the State of Maryland or of the United States.

We, the undersigned Trustees of the Church have signed these Articles of Incorporation this day of November 2010, and we acknowledged the same to be our acts.

Gloria McClam-Magruder, Trustee

Vice-Chairman

Dorothy L. Williams, Trustee

ord Boswell. Trustee

Denise Killen, Trustee

Secretary

Clarence Jackson, Trustee

Linda Pyles, Trustee

SIGNATURE OF RESIDENT AGENT LISTED IN SIXTH:

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