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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Office of the Secretary of State
Corporations Division
148 W. River Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02904-2615

NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The undersigned, acting as incorporator(s) of a corporation under Chapter 7-6 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended, adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

1. The name of the corporation is BETH-RAPHA KINGDOM CHURCH
2. The period of its duration is (if perpetual, so state) PERPETUAL
3. The specific purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are:
To conduct and carry on religious services and
divine worship or other religious observances;
and to extend the Kingdom of God by home
and foreign missions, to maintain a regular
place of worship for the preaching of the Gospel
of Jesus Christ and the Holy Scriptures; the teaching
of Sunday School classes, and for services of the young
people and missionary, prayer meetings, and for
conducting other services of said church. (see attached)
4. Provisions, if any, not inconsistent with the law, which the incorporators elect to set forth in these articles of incorporation for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation are:
See attached.

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5. The address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 48, Whittier Avenue
(Street Address, not P.O. Box)
Providence, RI R2 02909, and the name of its initial registered agent at such
(City/Town) (Zip Code)
address is Bishop Frank W. Simmons.
(Name of Agent)

6. The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation is THREE
(not less than three directors)
and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

Name	Address
<u>Bishop James M. Mills</u>	<u>8206 Cape Rd, Fort Washington MD 20744</u>
<u>Bishop Frank W. Simmons</u>	<u>48 Whittier Ave. Providence R2 02909</u>
<u>Pastor Femi Owoyemi</u>	<u>48 Whittier Ave, Providence R2 02909</u>

7. The name and address of each incorporator is:

Name	Address
<u>Bishop James M. Mills</u>	<u>8206 Cape Rd, Fort Washington MD 20744</u>
<u>Bishop Frank W. Simmons</u>	<u>48, Whittier Av, Providence R2 02909</u>
<u>Pastor Abdul Rasid O. Owoyemi</u>	<u>48, Whittier Av, Providence R2 02909</u>
<u>Margaret M. Owoyemi</u>	<u>48 Whittier Av, Providence R2 02909</u>
<u>Richard Roderick</u>	<u>214 Mountandale Rd Southfield R2 02917</u>

8. Date when corporate existence is to begin _____
(not prior to, nor more than 30 days after, the filing of these Articles of Incorporation)

Under penalty of perjury, I/we declare and affirm that I/we have examined these Articles of Incorporation, including any accompanying attachments, and that all statements contained herein are true and correct.

Date: 5/21/09

Bishop James M. Mills I
Richard Roderick
Richard Roderick

Signature of each Incorporator

Signed and sworn to before me this
21st day of May 2009 in Providence, RI
Mark McLean
Mark McLean
Notary Public
ME: 3/13/2013

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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BETH-RAPHA KINGDOM CHURCH

48 Whittier Avenue, Providence, RI 02909.

We, the undersigned, of full age, desiring to incorporate an unincorporated church for the purposes as hereinafter more particularly described, pursuant to and in conformity with the Religious corporation law of the state of Rhode Island do hereby certify as follows:

1. That a meeting of BETH-RAPHA KINGDOM CHURCH, a.k.a. Beth-Rapha (House of healing) Christian Fellowship, an unincorporated church was duly called and held in conformity with the articles of the religious corporation law of the state of Rhode Island on May 10, 2009, at 10am, at which meeting a majority of the duly qualified voters of said Church, being at least five in number, were present.
2. That at the said meeting the following were present and appointed as:
 - i. Bishop James Mills President and Trustee
 - ii. Bishop Frank W. Simmons Secretary and Trustee
 - iii. Abdul-Rashid O. Owoyemi Pastor and Trustee
 - iv. Margaret Modupe Owoyemi Assistant Secretary/Trustee
 - v. Richard Roderick Trusteeof this Church.
3. That at the said meeting it was duly decided that said Church become incorporated as a Holiness Church.
4. That the name of the proposed corporation is and shall be Beth-Rapha Kingdom Church a.k.a. Beth-Rapha (House of healing) Christian Fellowship.
5. That the particular objects and purposes for which said corporation is formed are as follows:
 - i. To conduct and carry on religious services and divine worship or other religious observances; and to extend the Kingdom of God by home and foreign missions; to maintain a regular place of worship for the preaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the Holy Scriptures; the teaching of Sunday School classes, and for services of the young people and missionaries, prayer meetings, and for conducting other services of said Church.
 - ii. To have power to establish Church Schools to teach and study the Gospel of Jesus and the Holy Scriptures; provided, however, that said

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Church shall not teach or prompt the teaching of any subject other than religious education.

- iii. To have power to solicit and raise funds by any and all proper and appropriate means in conformity with and subject to the law, and to receive and disburse such funds or moneys accruing from offerings, collections, or any other contributions for general support of said corporation, and the purpose for which it was created.
- iv. To cooperate with service-rendering public organizations and institutions, such as schools, hospitals, Churches, prisons, Juvenile aid societies, and institutions and other Public Service Institutions in spreading the Gospel of the Kingdom of God and the preaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
- v. To visit the sick, the poor, the misguided, the unfortunate in institutions and to render services, assistance and cooperation to all without discrimination as to race, color and/or creed.
- vi. To have power to take and hold any grant, donation, gift, bequest or devise of real or personal property made upon trust, and the amount of any such donation, gift or bequest shall be turned over to the trustees of said corporation, to be held in trust for the uses and purposes specified by the donor.
- vii. To have power to take, buy, lease, or otherwise acquire real estate, and to hold, own, sell, mortgage, lease or otherwise dispose of same, subject to provisions of the Law, and to build, construct, maintain, alter, and manage any building or buildings or Church office for the uses or purposes of said corporation; and to have power to acquire, maintain and improve real property, to be used as a camp ground for camp meeting purposes.
- viii. To have power to transfer and convey any of its property, to any branch Church connected with this corporation, for or without the payment of any money or other consideration thereof.
- ix. No part of the net earnings of the Church shall inure to the benefit of, or distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of section 501c (3) purposes. No substantial part of the activities of the Church shall be carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Church shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

- x. To have power to establish and maintain branch Churches in the State of Rhode Island, or in any States of the United States, and to establish and maintain in conformity with its Constitution, a Church tribunal of said corporation to determine and adjudicate questions of faith and doctrine, Church policy and regularity of discipline.
 - xi. To train and ordain ministers of the Gospel, and to train missionaries.
 - xii. Said corporation shall have and possess all the exemptions of taxation conferred by law upon a corporation organized exclusively for the moral and mental improvement of men and women, or for religious, charitable, or benevolent purposes, or for two or more such purposes. To carry out exclusively religious purposes within the meaning of Section 501© (3) of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code.
 - xiii. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Constitution, the church shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation/organization exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or corresponding section of any future federal tax code) or (b) by a corporation/ organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code (or corresponding section of any future Federal Tax Code).
 - xiv. Upon dissolution of this corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of 501 c (3) of the Internal Revenue Code i.e. religious, charitable, educational 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.
6. That the number of trustees of said corporation shall not be less than three (3).
 7. That the first annual election of trustees shall be held on the 9th day of May 2010, and the annual election of Trustees shall each year thereafter be held on May 9th, of each year thereafter.
 8. That the place of worship of said Church is located in the city of Providence in Rhode Island.
 9. That all the subscribers of this certificate are of full age, that at least two-thirds of them are citizens of the United States, and at least one of them is a resident of the State of Rhode Island, and that at least one of the persons named as a Trustee is a citizen of the United Sates and a resident of the Sate of Rhode Island.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have made subscribed and acknowledged
this certificate this 10th day of May, 2009.

Bishop James M. Mello I
Attest & in
My presence
I certify
Richard Gloderick

Signed and sworn to before
me this 21st day of May 2009
in Providence, RI

Mark Morrison

Mark Morrison
Notary Public
MCB 3/13/2013



State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

A. Ralph Mollis

Secretary of State

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

I, A. RALPH MOLLIS, Secretary of State of the State of Rhode Island
and Providence Plantations, hereby certify that this document, duly
executed in accordance with the provisions of Title 7 of the General Laws
of Rhode Island, as amended, has been filed in this office on this day:

A. RALPH MOLLIS

Secretary of State

