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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS**

Office of the Secretary of State  
Division of Business Services  
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 BELOVED TABERNACLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST, INCORPORATED

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:

Religious Worship, Christian Education, Evangelistic Outreach, and Fund Raising

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:

70 Ralph Street

(Street Address, not P.O. Box)

Providence

(City/Town)

, RI

02909

(Zip Code)

and the name of its initial registered agent at

such address is Superintendent James W Keith

(Name of Agent)

6. The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation is 5

(not less than 3 directors)

and the names and address of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>
James W. Keith	70 Ralph Street, Providence, RI 02909
GeorgeAnne Keith	70 Ralph Street, Providence, RI 02909
Barbara Barnes	37 Mocassin Drive, Warwick, RI 02886
Raymond Barnes	37 Mocassin Drive, Warwick, RI 02886
O'Key Casey	4 <del>10</del> Bemon Street, Providence, RI 02908

7. The name and address of each incorporator is:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>
James W. Keith	70 Ralph Street, Providence, RI 02909
O'Key Casey	4 <del>10</del> Bemon Street, Providence, RI 02908

8. These Articles of Incorporation shall be effective upon filing unless a specified date is provided which shall be no later than the 30<sup>th</sup> day after the date of this filing March 11, 2013

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: 12 March 2013

James W. Keith  
O'Key Casey

Signature of each Incorporator

\*Attachment Section 1-3 State Official; Prescribed Duties and Ecclesiastical Structure.

- (e) Chairman of Elder's Board
- (f) Treasurer
- (g) WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT
  - 1. A Jurisdictional Supervisor
  - 2. Assistant Supervisor (Optional)
  - 3. And all other such members as shall be organized by the Jurisdictional Supervisor of the women's work. (Pages 23-25 O.M. of COGIC).
- (h) ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the State General Assembly shall be held during the month of January or at such other time as the Board of Elders shall deem necessary. Notice of the annual meeting shall be given not less than one (1) week before the date of the annual meeting by mail addressed to the address given to the State General Assembly by each member to be notified.

Section 2. Prescribed Duties:

The prescribed duties of the above officials shall be as outlined in the O.M. of COGIC pages 3-9 20,22.

Section 3. Ecclesiastical Structure:

- (a) Board of Elders
- (b) State General Assembly

Part I. Duties of the Board of Elders.

All Elders and Leaders of churches shall comprise and constitute the Board of Elders.

- 1. The Board of Elders shall elect its membership a Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Assistant Secretary and Treasurer and other officers that the Board shall deem necessary and proper, and their term of office shall run concurrently with that of the administration.
- 2. The Board of Elders shall aid and assist the Bishop in matters referred to it by the State and report its findings to the State Bishop.

3. The Board of Elders shall establish such rules and regulations as it may deem necessary and proper for the conduct of its business not inconsistent with the Constitution and By-Laws of the Church.
4. The Board of Elders shall constitute a board to arrange courses of study for licensed ministers. The Board of Elders shall have the power to do anything else in the service of the church not otherwise provided for according to their wisdom and in harmony with the Constitution of the Church.

Part II. Duties of the State General Assembly.

The State General Assembly is the only doctrine expressing and law making authority of the Church. The State General Assembly shall be composed of the ordained elders and Executive Secretary, the State Treasurer and such lay delegation as the State General Assembly may prescribe.

(Pages 10-12 O.M. COGIC)



# State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

**A. Ralph Mollis**

*Secretary of State*

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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*

