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State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations  
NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

ORIGINAL ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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

FIRST: The name of the corporation is GOD'S FAMILY CHURCH, INC.

SECOND: The period of its duration (if perpetual, so state) perpetual

THIRD: The purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

SEE ATTACHED

FOURTH: Provisions (if any) for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation, including provisions for the distribution of assets on dissolution or final liquidation, are:

(Note 1)

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FIFTH: The address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 75 Carolina Avenue  
Providence, Rhode Island 02905 (add Zip Code),

and the name of its initial registered agent at such address is: Paul Fakunle

SIXTH: The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the corporation is three  
and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

Name	Address
Paul Fakunle	75 Carolina Avenue, Providence, RI 02905
Gladys Fakunle	75 Carolina Avenue, Providence, RI 02905
Tutu Kayode	60 Paire Ave., Apt 55, Providence, RI 02903
MICHAEL R. LUNSFORD	154 COHANNET STREET TAUNTON, MA. 02780
GERALD KAUFMAN	2323 GRAND CONCOURSE BRONX, NEW YORK 10463

SEVENTH: The name and address of each incorporator is:

Name	Address
Paul Fakunle	75 Carolina Avenue, Providence, RI 02903

EIGHTH: Date when corporate existence to begin (not more than 30 days after filing of these articles of incorporation): approval of these Articles

Dated August 13, 19 90

*Paul Fakunle* August 13, 1990  
Paul Fakunle

Incorporator(s)

NOTE: 1. If no provision for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation or for the distribution of assets on dissolution or final liquidation are to be set forth, insert "None." In an appropriate case provisions relating to members, their qualifications and rights (Section 7-6-15) may be inserted here.

## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

THIRD: The purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

(a) To disseminate the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the Word of God, to the end that people may be evangelized and believers may be conformed to the image of Jesus Christ; (Mark 16:15-16, Isaiah 6:8, Acts 13:47, II Corinthians 5:20); to regularly assemble for fellowship to worship God in Spirit and in Truth (Hebrews 10:25) and to cooperate in the building up of the whole body of Christ. (Ephesians 2:19-22)

(b) To provide basic New Testament discipleship to all who are approved for this purpose by the Elders. (Acts 14:20-23, Acts 6:7, Acts 11:26)

(c) To establish and maintain a church and to provide a place of public worship and prayer in accordance with the directions of the Holy Spirit (I Kings 8:28-29, Psalms 96:9, 122:1, I Corinthians 5:4); to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ through the preaching and teaching of the Bible to bring the unsaved to Christ (Romans 1:15-16, I Thessalonians 5:9, II Thessalonians 2:13, II Timothy 3:15), and to build up the saved in Christian grace and living. (Ephesians 4:11-16, Hebrews 3:1-4, I Corinthians 3:9-15) Pursuant thereto, the following activities and guidelines shall be established:

1. A recognized Statement of Faith, Code of Doctrine, discipline and form of worship shall be established. (Acts 8:37, 15:11, 16:31, Romans 4:20-25, 10:9-11, I Thessalonians 4:14-17, I Peter 1:21)
2. A biblical form of government shall be established. (Exodus 18, Ephesians 4:8-11, I Corinthians 12:27-31)
3. Ordination and licensing of ministers upon completion of the prescribed course of study, designated by this church. (I Chronicles 9:22-23, Titus 1:5, I Corinthians 7:17, Acts 14:23)
4. An organization of ministers shall be established to minister to the congregation of God's Family Church, Inc. (Colossians 4:17, II Timothy 1:16-18, I Corinthians 16:15, Romans 16:1)
5. Establishment of a church membership/covenant fellowship based upon acceptance of and conformity to the belief of the church. (Acts 15:41, 16:5)
6. Propagate the Word of the Gospel through seminars, radio, television, establishment of Church literature, and other forms of mass media for the purpose of educating the individual in the Word of God. (Psalms 96:10, Proverbs 13:17, Mark 13:10, Acts 13:47)
7. Establishment of various religious services pursuant to the recognized Statement of Faith, form of worship, discipline of the church and the establishment of Sunday schools and religious schools for Christians and educational instruction of children and adults to exalt the standard of Christian living and the leadership of our divine Lord and Master. (Proverbs 8:10, 13:1, Zephaniah 3:7, II Timothy 3:16)
8. Establishment of a Bible Training School or School of Theology for the preparation of ministers who minister to God's Family Church, Inc. and to ordain and license

ministers and commission Christian workers to the edification and the unity of the Body of Christ. (Psalms 40:9-10, John 14:26, I Peter 4:6)

(d) To send forth home and foreign missionaries to the spreading of the Gospel and in extending the Gospel of God throughout the world. (Mark 16:15-16, Acts 13:47, 4:29-30)

(e) To print, publish, and distribute and sell books, magazines and other literature in connection with the purposes of this corporation; to sell, record and reproduce tapes, radio, and television programs in connection with the purposes of this corporation to produce and distribute radio and television programs. (Deuteronomy 31:19, I Chronicles 16:23-24, Psalms 68:4, Revelations 14:2)

(f) To have the right to purchase or acquire by gift, bequest, or otherwise, either directly or as a trustee, and to own, hold in trust, use, sell, convey, mortgage, lease, or otherwise dispose; of any real estate or personal property as may be necessary for the furtherance of the church and Christian education; and to conduct financial campaigns to further the aims and progress of the church.

(g) To establish and raise up satellite churches and pastors to lead them; establish auxiliaries, clubs, and societies of a religious nature and to promote and encourage Christian fellowship between its members. (Acts 15:41, 16:5)

(h) To carry on charitable work for the poor and lost (Leviticus 25:35, Matthew 25:34-40, Galatians 6:10, Mark 14:7) such as a Feed the Hungry Soup Kitchen, Food Pantry, Clothes Closet, Prison Ministry, (Psalms 142:7, 146:7, Luke 4:18, I Peter 3:19) After-care Center for released prisoners (Job 3:18, Psalms 69:33, Isaiah 49:9-10), Drug and Alcohol Program (Isaiah 5:11, 19:14, Habakkuk 2:15, Isaiah 19:20, Joel 2:32, Matthew 9:12, Psalms 121:2), Sick and Shut-in Ministry, unwed mother's home (Luke 1:39-40,56) and abused wives and children's home (Exodus 22:22-24, Deuteronomy 10:18, Acts 6:1, I Timothy 5:3-12,16), and housing for the homeless and runaways (Leviticus 25:35, Proverbs 19:17, Luke 3:11, II Corinthians 8:14-15).

(i) To assist the Ministers to the Body of Christ by establishing a retreat center to minister to them (Jeremiah 3:15, Psalms 37:30, Proverbs 9:9).

(j) To own and operate Radio and Television Stations for the purpose of the dissemination of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through word and music.

(k) To further all religious and charitable work and for such purposes to adopt and establish Bylaws, rules, regulations in accordance with law and not inconsistent with this Articles of Incorporation.

(l) To merge, join or unite with any other church or religious society having the same ideals, aims and purposes of this Church.

(m) To establish and maintain an educational institution and not for pecuniary gain; for the establishment, maintenance and support of a private Christian elementary and secondary schools (Christian Academy) at which both charity and pay students shall be received; for the establishment, maintenance, and support of a private Christian day care center and nursery school (Mark 10:14, Luke 18:16-17) at which both charity and pay students shall be received; for the establishment and maintenance of a theological college of higher education and training in the Bible, Biblical languages, Christian theology and literature, and such training in mathematics, history, science, languages and scripture as are needful and appropriate to the education and training of ministers

of the Gospel and missionaries in foreign and home fields, Bible teachers, and other Christian workers in various lines of religious, benevolent, and philanthropical work. The institution shall grant appropriate degrees and provide for the proper regulation and control of its students. The institution shall offer admittance and equal advantages to all students who possess the requisite literary, moral, and other qualifications, irrespective of their particular denomination or religious profession and both charity and pay students shall be received, wherein the income from the pay students shall be used to extend the charity work, but not part of the income shall ever be paid or distributed to its members, directors, or officers, other than reasonable compensation for services rendered. Such institutions within the church shall have a racially nondiscriminatory policy towards students and shall not discriminate against applicants and students on the basis of race, color, and national or ethnic origin. (Psalms 40:9-10, John 14:26, I Peter 4:6, II Timothy 2:2, 24-25, I Corinthians 14:12)

(n) To establish and maintain a Christian bookstore for the benefit of the students and members of the Church and their guests. (Psalms 68:11, Acts 13:39)

(o) To establish and maintain a counseling service for the use of the church and public and to provide access to such counseling service by virtue of telephonic communication (Proverbs 12:15, 15:22; Jeremiah 49:20); to assist the Body of Christ with employment and financial counseling including off-site Institute of Vocation (Job training)( I Corinthians 3:8; Colossians 4:1; Ecclesiastes 9:10; I Timothy 6:9-10; John 6:27); a Christians in Human Services Group (I Corinthians 12:5; Job 29:16; Luke 6:34; I Corinthians 10:24; Galatians 5:13, 6:10) and to provide for ministry through Family Services (Deuteronomy 15:7; Nehemiah 8:10; Matthew 5:42; Galatians 6:2; Hebrews 13:16).

(p) To provide homes for the aged (Leviticus 19:32; Psalms 71:9; Isaiah 45:20-22); to provide child placement services (Psalms 127:3; Isaiah 54:1; Mark 10:14; Numbers 3:13) and to provide housing for the working staff of the church (Joshua 21:1-8; Acts 4:34-35).

(q) To do all those things allowed and permitted to it under law and specifically those set forth in Chapter 7-6 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island as it affects Non-Profit Corporations."

**FOURTH:** Provisions for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation, including provisions for the distribution of assets on dissolution or final liquidation, are:

The exempt activities of the church and its rule of dissolution shall be as follows:

This corporation is organized exclusively for religious purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

No part of the net earning of the corporation shall insure to the benefit or, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of its purposes. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation 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 1954 (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 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for 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 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Directors shall determine."