

SAMPLE COPY ONLY

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

OF

To: The Secretary of State
State of New Jersey

THE UNDERSIGNED, being of full age, for the purpose of forming a corporation pursuant of Title 16, does hereby execute the following Certificate of Incorporation:

1. The name of the corporation is:

Name of Church

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

Christian Worship Service

The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, scientific, religious and educational purposes provided for under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit, incidental or otherwise.

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed 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 purpose.

No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office, 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 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).

3. The corporation shall have members and the qualifications for membership shall be set forth in the by-laws.

4. The method of electing trustees shall be set forth in the by-laws.

5. The address, including the actual location as well as the postal designation, if different, of the corporation's initial registered office and the name of the corporation's initial registered agent are as follows:

Name

Address

6. The number of trustees constituting the first board shall be five (5) and the names and addresses of the trustees are as follows:

Name

Address

7. The name and address of the incorporator is as follows:

Name

Address

8. The duration of the corporation's existence shall be: perpetual.

9. The corporation is a corporation which could be organized pursuant to the provisions of Title 16 of the New Jersey Revised Statutes.

10. Upon dissolution, the assets of the corporation shall be distributed as follows:

In the event of dissolution of this corporation, its assets shall be distributed only to organizations that enjoy exempt status in accordance with the provisions of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

11. The corporation does not contemplate pecuniary gain, incidental or otherwise.

12. The effective date of the Certificate of Incorporation shall be the date of filing.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, the incorporator of the above named corporation, has signed the Certificate of Incorporation on the _____ day of _____, 20____.

Subscribed and sworn to
before me this _____ day of
_____, 20____ .

WITNESS: My hand this
_____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Public

Witness