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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF FORGIVEN MINISTRIES CHURCH, INC.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That AARON R. PROFITT does hereby form an incorporated company under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, with the rights of perpetual succession, and to that end, hereby adopts Articles of Incorporation as follows:

# ARTICLE I

The name of the Corporation shall be FORGIVEN MINISTRIES CHURCH, INC.

# **ARTICLE II**

The location of the registered office of the Corporation shall be 102 East Main Street, Whitesburg, Kentucky, 41858.

# **ARTICLE III**

The mailing address and principal office of the Corporation shall be 102 East Main Street, Whitesburg, Kentucky, 41858.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

The duration of the Corporation shall be perpetual.

# ARTICLE V

The purpose or purposes for which the Corporation is organized are as follows: The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious and religious-educational purposes as particularly defined in the bylaws including for in-kind donation purposes, the making or receiving of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code which governs non-profit corporations.

# **ARTICLE VI**

The agent for service of process shall be AARON R. PROFITT, 102 East Main Street, Whitesburg, Kentucky, 41858.

## **ARTICLE VII**

This Corporation shall issue no capital stock and shall be composed of members rather than stockholders.

# **ARTICLE VIII**

The Corporation shall begin business with no stated amount of capital.

## **ARTICLE IX**

This Corporation shall have such powers to promote or effectuate the purposes for which this Corporation is organized, as follows:

- (1) To have those powers enumerated in Chapter 273 et seq. inclusive, as if same were enumerated herein.
- (2) To have such powers as may be granted by any other applicable law, including such powers as may be hereinafter created by the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.
- (3) The foregoing enumeration of specific powers shall not be held to limit or restrict in any manner the powers of this Corporation given by law.

#### **ARTICLE X**

The Corporation shall be a non-stock corporation which shall engage in any lawful act or activity for which a non-profit organization may be organized in state of Kentucky.

## **ARTICLE XI**

The Corporation shall be neither organized nor operated for pecuniary gain or profit.

## **ARTICLE XII**

No part of any earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons for any reason not authorized by the Board of Directors, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable, measurable

and verifiable competitive compensation for services rendered to the corporation and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article V hereof. No substantial part of the activities of *Forgiven Ministries Church, Inc.* shall be dedicated to, or otherwise attempt to influence United States, State or Federal legislation, and the corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permissible (A) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or (B) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 1: 70(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

#### **ARTICLE XIII**

There shall be no stockholders, but there shall be recognized members of this non-profit Corporation.

#### **ARTICLE XIV**

Meeting of members shall be dictated by the Bylaws.

## **ARTICLE XV**

The members shall elect the Board of Directors and the Board of Directors shall elect the officers as set out in the Bylaws.

## **ARTICLE XVI**

The Corporation shall have up to six Directors, and the initial number of Directors shall be six (6) whose names and addresses are as follows:

Gary Lowe 6712 Hwy 7 North Whitesburg, Kentucky 41858

Dale Thomas 102 East Main Street Whitesburg, Kentucky 41858

Bill Ison PO Box 275 Isom, Kentucky 41824

Terry Morgan 171 Copperhead Rd Ermine, Kentucky 41815 Loran Sturgill 845 Hurricane Branch Whitesburg, Kentucky 41858

Aaron Profitt 2088 Hwy 7 North Whitesburg, Kentucky 41858

#### **ARTICLE XVII**

The categories of membership, qualifications for membership and the manner of admission shall be as set forth in and regulated by the Bylaws of the Corporation.

#### **ARTICLE XVIII**

Members of the Corporation will have such voting rights as are defined in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

## **ARTICLE XIX**

The authority to make, amend and repeal Bylaws is expressly vested in the Board of Directors, subject to the power of the members to change or repeal said Bylaws as provided by the laws of Kentucky.

#### **ARTICLE XX**

threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the Corporation) by reason of the fact that they are or were a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation, or is serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, may be indemnified by this Corporation against expense (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if he acted in good faith and in a manner reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Corporation, and with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction, or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner

which he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interest of the Corporation, and with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause of belief that his conduct was unlawful.

(2) Any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that they are or were a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise may be indemnified by this Corporation against expenses (including attorney's fees) actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Corporation and except that no indemnification shall be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of his duty to the Corporation unless and only to the extent that the Court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability, but in view of all circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnify for such expenses which such Court shall deem proper.

#### **ARTICLE XXI**

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended at any time in the manner provided by the laws adherent to the jurisdiction of the State of Kentucky. Every amendment shall be approved by the Board of Directors, proposed by them to the voting members, and approved at a member meeting by a quorum of the Members as defined by the Bylaws of the corporation.

#### **ARTICLE XXII**

Upon dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or so disposed of shall be disposed of by Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal officer of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this day of
20 <u>24</u> .  Mosfir  INCORPORATOR
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF LETCHER
I,, A Notary Public, in and for the County and State aforesaid, do certify that the foregoing Articles of Incorporation of FORGIVEN MINISTRIES CHURCH, INC were this day produced to me, and duly acknowledged before me in said County, by AARON R. PROFITT party thereto, to be his true act and deed.
Given under my hand this day of, 20_24
My commission expires: 5/3/2025  Other adams  NOTARY PUBLIC  COMMISSION NO. KYN 1 87924

I hereby certify that the foregoing Instrument has been drafted by:

Calvin R. Tackett Attorney at Law 104 E. Main Street Whitesburg, KY 41858