

**CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
SOUTH SHELBY BAPTIST CHURCH**

Come now the undersigned Trustees and file this Certificate of Incorporation of South Shelby Baptist Church pursuant to §§ 10-4-20 et seq., Code of Alabama 1975 as amended, and state as follows:

I. The undersigned Sam Dixon, Dan Friday, Joyce Porter, and Alvis Armstrong were duly elected Trustees of South Shelby Baptist Church on the 26 day of August, 200<sup>1</sup>, to serve until their successors are chosen as provided by the bylaws of the church.

II. The corporate name of the church shall be South Shelby Baptist Church.

III. The county in which the corporation is to exercise its functions, or part of its functions, is Shelby County, Alabama.

IV. A. The purposes for which the corporation is organized are religious, charitable, benevolent, educational, or any other lawful activity for which corporations may be organized under §§ 10-4-20 et seq., Code of Alabama 1975, as amended, including the following specific purposes:

1. To provide an environment where people can learn to love God, care for others, discover Jesus, and identify with His believers by fulfilling the Great Commandment (Matthew 22:36-40) and the Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20).
2. To worship - to participate in public worship services together and to maintain personal daily devotions.
3. To witness - to share the good news of Jesus Christ with as many people as possible in our community and throughout the world.
4. To educate - to help members develop toward full Christian maturity and train them for effective ministry, and to promote personal, spiritual growth and discipleship through Bible teaching.
5. To minister and serve - to serve unselfishly, in Jesus' name meeting the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of those in this Church, community, and in the world.
6. To fellowship - to encourage, support and pray for each other as members of the family of God, and to share our lives together.

B. Notwithstanding any of the powers or purposes of the corporation contained in this Certificate of Incorporation or granted by law, the purposes for which the corporation is organized are exclusively religious, charitable, and educational within the meaning of § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

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C. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this certificate, this organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

D. Upon dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the Federal, state or local government for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction, in the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes.

V. The members of South Shelby Baptist Church did, on the 26 day of August, 2001, at a regular meeting of the church, adopt a resolution authorizing and directing the undersigned Trustees to file this Certificate of Incorporation as provided by §§ 10-4-20 et seq., Code of Alabama 1975, as amended. A certified copy of said resolution is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Sam Dixon, Dan Friday,  
Joyce Porter, and Alvis Armstrong as Trustees have hereunto set their  
hands and seals on this the 26 day of August, 2001.

Sam Dixon

Alvis Armstrong

Dan Friday

Joyce Porter

# State of Alabama

## SHELBY County

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OF

South Shelby Baptist Church

The undersigned, as Judge of Probate of SHELBY County, State of Alabama, hereby certifies that duplicate originals of Articles of INCORPORATION of South Shelby Baptist Church, duly signed and verified pursuant to the provisions of Section NON PROFIT of the Alabama Business Corporation Act, have been received in this office and are found to conform to law.

ACCORDINGLY the undersigned, as such Judge of Probate, and by virtue of the authority vested in him by law, hereby issues this Certificate of INCORPORATION of South Shelby Baptist Church, and attaches hereto a duplicate original of the Articles of INCORPORATION.

GIVEN Under My Hand and Official Seal on this the 22nd day of January, 2002.

*Patricia Yeager Ahlmeister*

Judge of Probate

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