

Articles of Incorporation
Of
Third Cord Secret Ministries

The undersigned, being desirous of forming a non-profit corporation for the purposes hereinafter stated, under the Alabama Non-Profit Corporation Act, does hereby adopt these Articles of Incorporation.

Article I
Name

The name of the Corporation shall be and is **Third Cord Secret Ministries**

Article II
Duration

The Corporation shall have perpetual succession and shall exist until it is dissolved pursuant to law.

Article III
Purposes

The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable purposes, pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and its successors, and regulations issued thereunder. To that end, the following provisions shall apply:

- (a) The Corporation shall receive and administer funds for scientific, educational and charitable purposes, within the meaning of Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and its successors, and regulations issued thereunder, specifically, to operate a religious based marriage counseling organization. In connection therewith, the Corporation shall take and hold by bequest, devise, gift, grant, purchase, lease or otherwise any property, real, personal, tangible or intangible, or an undivided interest therein, without limitation as to the amount or value. It shall the power to sell, convey and otherwise dispose of any such manner as, in the judgment of the Directors, will best promote the purposes of the Corporation without limitation, except such limitations, if any, as may be contained in the instrument under which such property is received, these Articles of Incorporation, the By-laws of the Corporation, or any such laws applicable thereto. The Corporation shall have the power to do any other act or thing incidental to or connected with the foregoing purposes or in advancement thereof, but not for the pecuniary profit or financial gain of its Directors or officers.
- (b) No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its incorporators, directors, officers, benefactors, or other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payment and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth herein. No incorporator, director, officer, benefactor, or any other private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of the Corporation. 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 political candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any of the provisions of these Articles of Incorporation, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities, not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or its successors, or by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or its successor, or a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or its successor.
- (c) The Corporation shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to subject the Corporation to tax under Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or its successor.
 - (d) The Corporation shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended, or its successor.
 - (e) The Corporation shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or its successor.
 - (f) The Corporation shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject it to tax under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or its successor.
 - (g) The Corporation shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or its successor.
 - (h) No gift or grant will be accepted if it contains major conditions which would restrict or violate any of the charitable or educational purposes or if it would require serving a private as opposed to public interest.
 - (i) Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provisions for payment of all 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 or operated exclusively for charitable purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or its successors as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any assets not so disposed of shall be disposed by the Probate Court of Shelby County Alabama, or by the Probate Court of the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Article IV **Members**

The Corporation shall be composed of one class of Members.

Article V
Board of Directors

- (a) The Board of Directors shall be the governing body of the Corporation. The Directors shall be elected annually by a majority vote of the Members. In the event of a vacancy on the Board of Directors created by resignation, death or inability of any Director to serve, the remaining voting Directors shall, by vote, fill such vacancy. The number of Directors maybe changed by amendment to the By-Laws, but in no case shall there be less than three Directors.
- (b) The names and addresses of the initial Directors until the first annual meeting of the Corporation are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
1. Alan Wood, President	1345 Indian Crest Drive, Indian Springs, AL 35124
2. Jamie Wood, VP Admin.	1345 Indian Crest Drive, Indian Springs, AL 35124
3. Susie Shaffer, Director	242 Kings Crest Lane, Pelham, AL 35124
4. Darryl Shaffer, Director	242 Kings Crest Lane, Pelham, AL 35124
5. Edmund Perry, Director	4236 Old Brook Trail, Mountain Brook, AL 35243
6. Ann Perry, Director	4236 Old Brook Trail, Mountain Brook, AL 35243

Article VI
Registered Address/Agent

The initial registered office of the Corporation shall be 1345 Indian Crest Drive, Indian Springs, AL 35124 and its initial registered agent at said address shall be Alan Wood, President

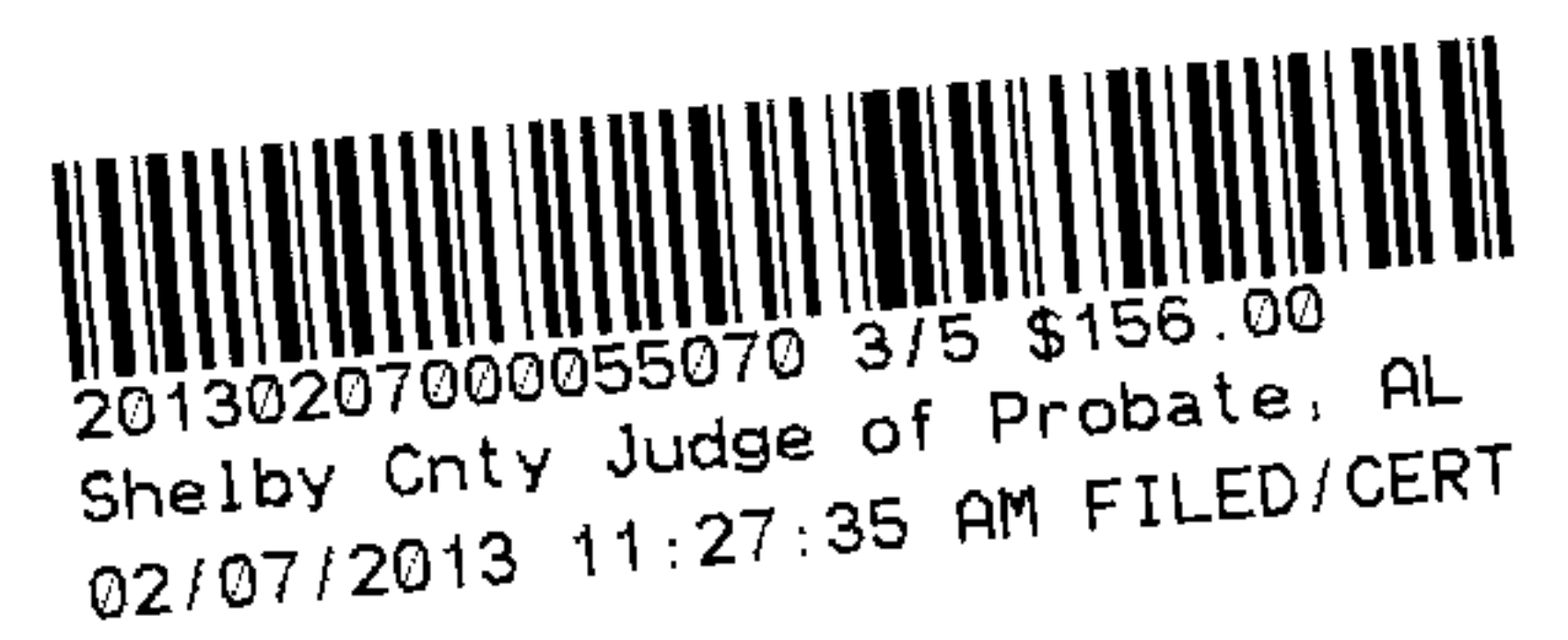
Article VII
Amendments

These Articles may not be altered or amended without the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all Directors of the Corporation.

Article VIII
Incorporator

The name and address of the incorporator is as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Alan Wood	1345 Indian Crest Drive, Indian Springs, AL 35124



Article IX
By-Laws

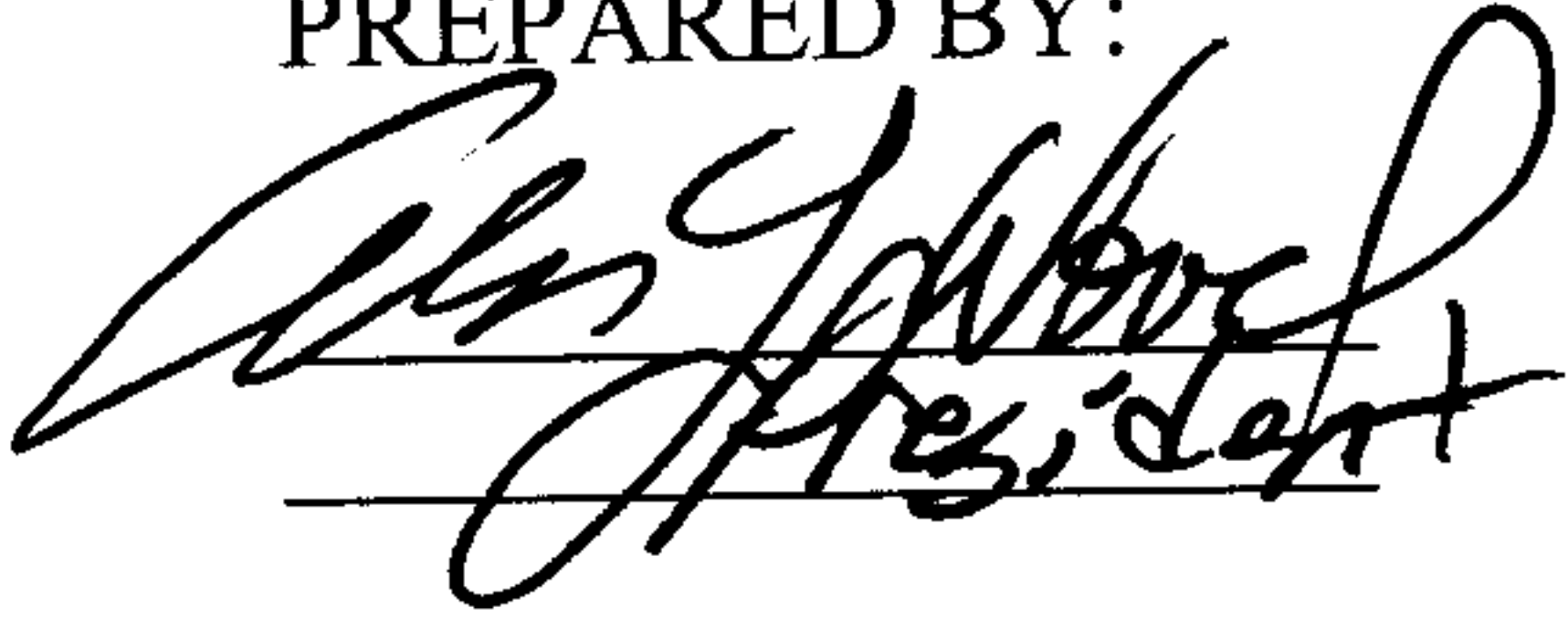
The Corporation shall adopt appropriate By-Laws by action of its Board of Directors or Members at any regular meeting for such purpose, which such By-Laws may be amended from time to time as provided in the By-Laws.

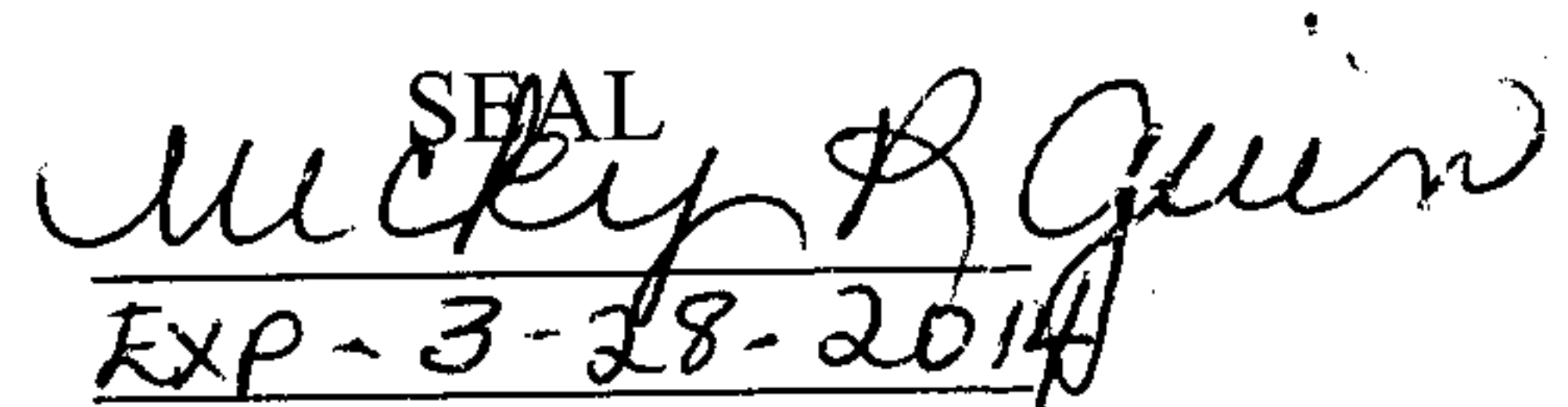
Article X
Powers of Incorporation

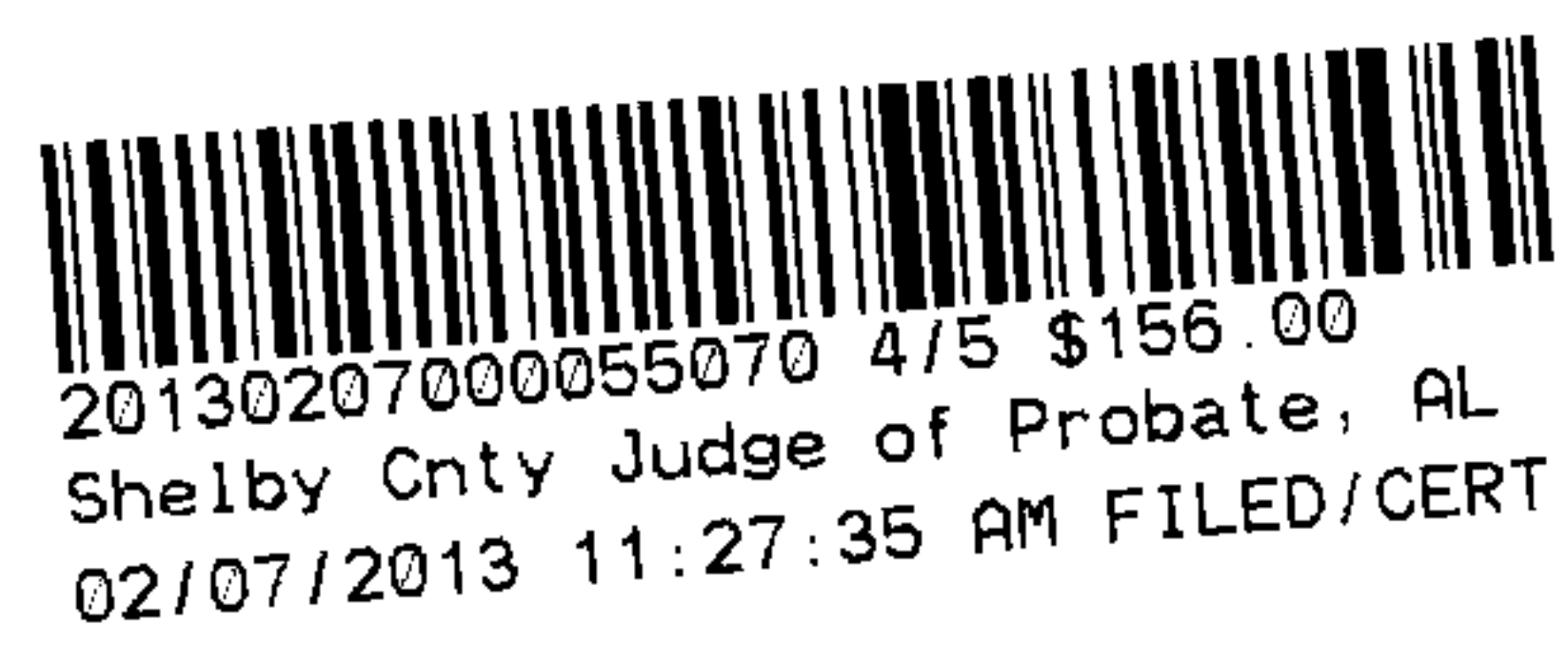
- (a) The Corporation shall have such powers as are prescribed by the Alabama Non-Profit Corporation Act as contained and set forth in Section 10-3A-1, et seq., Code of Alabama of 1975, as amended, and may perform any acts permitted thereby.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto affixed his hand and seal on this the 7th day of February, 2013

PREPARED BY:


President

SEAL

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Beth Chapman
Secretary of State

P. O. Box 5616
Montgomery, AL 36103-5616

STATE OF ALABAMA

**I, Beth Chapman, Secretary of State of Alabama, having custody of the
Great and Principal Seal of said State, do hereby certify that**

pursuant to the provisions of Title 10A, Chapter 1, Article 5, *Code of Alabama
1975*, and upon an examination of the entity records on file in this office, the
following entity name is reserved as available:

Third Cord Secret Ministries

This domestic nonprofit corporation is proposed to be formed in Alabama and is
for the exclusive use of Third Cord Secret Ministries, 1345 Indian Crest Drive,
Indian Springs, AL 35124 for a period of one hundred twenty days beginning
February 7, 2013 and expiring June 8, 2013.



**In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my
hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State, at the
Capitol, in the city of Montgomery, on this day.**

February 7, 2013

Date

Beth Chapman

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Secretary of State

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