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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION
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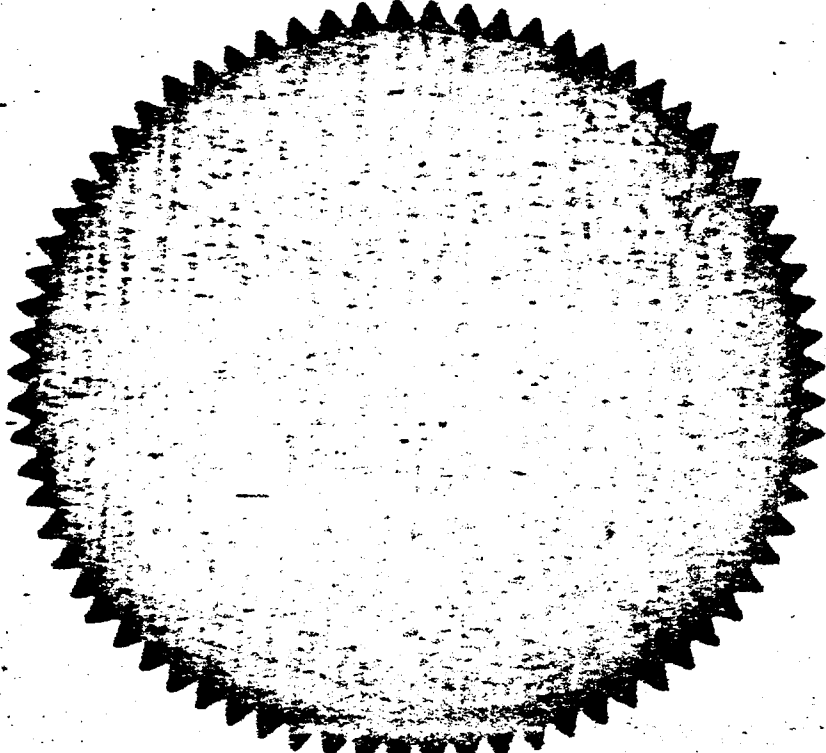
FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF NEW ELLIOTT

STATE OF INDIANA, S. HO
LAKE COUNTY
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WILLIAM BIELSKI JR
RECORDER



I, EDWIN J. SIMCOX, Secretary of State of the State of Indiana, hereby certify that Articles of Incorporation of the above Corporation, in the form prescribed by my office, prepared and signed in duplicate by the incorporator(s), and acknowledged and verified by the same before a Notary Public, have been presented to me at my office accompanied by the fees prescribed by law; that I have found such Articles conform to law; that I have endorsed my approval upon the duplicate copies of such Articles; that all fees have been paid as required by law; that one copy of such Articles has been filed in my office; and that the remaining copy of such Articles bearing the endorsement of my approval and filing has been returned by me to the incorporator(s) or his (their) representatives; all as prescribed by the provisions of the INDIANA NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION ACT OF 1971

....., as amended.
NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby issue to such Corporation this Certificate of Incorporation, and further certify that its corporate existence has begun.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed
the seal of the State of Indiana, at the City of Indianapolis,
this 23th day of

January 19, 80
Edwin J. Simcox
EDWIN J. SIMCOX, Secretary of State
By: Kathryn M. Carter
Deputy

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INSTRUCTIONS.

Use 8 1/2 x 11 Inch Paper for Inserts.
Present 2 Executed Copies to Secretary of State, Room 155, State House, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204
The recording of a third executed copy with the County Recorder is no longer statutorily required.
FILING FEE is \$26.00

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
(Not for Profit)
Prescribed by Edwin J. Simcox,
Secretary of State of Indiana



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF NEW ELLIOTT

The undersigned incorporator or incorporators, desiring to form a corporation (hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation") pursuant to the provisions of the Indiana Not-For-Profit Corporation Act of 1971, (hereinafter referred to as the "Act"), execute the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I
Name

The name of the Corporation is FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF NEW ELLIOTT, INC.
(The name shall include the word "Corporation" or "Incorporated", or one of the abbreviations thereof.)

ARTICLE II
Purposes

The purposes for which the Corporation is formed are:
To function as a local congregation of the church of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. This function includes preaching the gospel of Christ, Baptizing Penitent, confessed believers into the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and edifying and instructing the Church. It also includes ministering to the suffering and needy in the Name of Christ, as well as doing good to all people, including the local community, state, nation, and the world, as we have opportunity and are able.

NOTE: "Not-for-Profit" as applied to corporations means, "...any corporation which does not engage in any activities for the profit of its members and which is organized and conducts its affairs for the purposes other than the pecuniary gain of its members". (Indiana Code, 23-7-1.1-2(d))

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ARTICLE III
Period of Existence

The period during which the Corporation shall continue is Perpetual
(either "Perpetual" or, if limited, some definite period of time.)

ARTICLE IV
Resident Agent and Principal Office

Section 1. Resident Agent. The name and address of the Corporation's Resident Agent for service of process is Floyd Coffman

12735 Alexander, Cedar Lake, Indiana 46303 INDIANA
(Number and Street or Building) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

Section 2. Principal Office. The post office address of the principal office of the Corporation is

129 71st Avenue Griffith INDIANA 46319
(Number and Street or Building) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

ARTICLE V
Membership

A minimum of three (3) persons shall have signed the membership list. (Directors or Trustees or Incorporators may be included in the Membership.)

Section 1. Classes (if any):

Adult and Minors

Section 2. Rights, Preferences, Limitations, and Restrictions of Classes:

Voting privilege restricted to ages 18 and up.

Section 3. Voting Rights of Classes:

Voting privilege restricted to ages 18 and up.

NOTE: The Corporation shall confer upon every member a certificate signed by the President (or Vice-President) and Secretary (or Assistant Secretary), stating that he or she is a member of the Corporation.

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**ARTICLE VI
Directors**

Section 1. Number of Directors: The initial Board of Directors is composed of Three members. If the exact number of Directors is not stated, the minimum number shall be three, and the maximum number shall be three. Provided, however, that the exact number of directors shall be prescribed from time to time in the By-Laws of the Corporation: AND PROVIDED FURTHER THAT UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL THE MINIMUM NUMBER BE LESS THAN THREE (3).

Section 2. Names and Post Office Addresses of the initial Board of Directors are:

Name	Number and Street or Building	City	State	Zip Code
Fred O. Blakely,	3805 Highway Ave.	Highland,	Ind.	46322
Dean Boelt,	6730 Ontario Ave.	Hammond,	Ind.	46320
Ron Johnson	12031 W. 93rd St.,	St. John,	Ind.	46373

**ARTICLE VII
Incorporators(s)**

Section 1. Names and Post Office Addresses) of the incorporators) of the Corporation is (are) as follows:

Name	Number and Street or Building	City	State	Zip Code
Larry Burk,	2326 W. 45th Ave.,	Gary,	Ind.	46408
Floyd Coffman	12735 Alexander,	Cedar Lake	Ind.	46403
Kenneth R. Millspaugh,	737 N. Elmer,	Griffith,	Ind.	46319,

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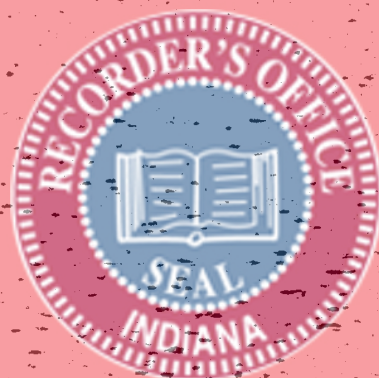
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A statement of the property and an estimate of the value thereof, to be taken over by the Corporation at or upon its incorporation are as follows:

Church property at 129 71st Avenue, Griffith, Ind. \$30,000.00
Cash 30,000.00

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ARTICLE IX Provisions for Regulation and Control Of the Affairs of Corporation (Can be the "By Laws")

Other provisions consistent with the laws of this state, for the regulation and control of the affairs of the Corporation, and creating, defining, limiting or regulating the powers of the Corporation, the directors or the members of any class or classes of members are as follows:

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for purposes of the corporation in such manner or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any of such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Circuit Court of the County in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes, and all dissolution proceedings shall be in accordance with the Laws of the Indiana General Assembly.

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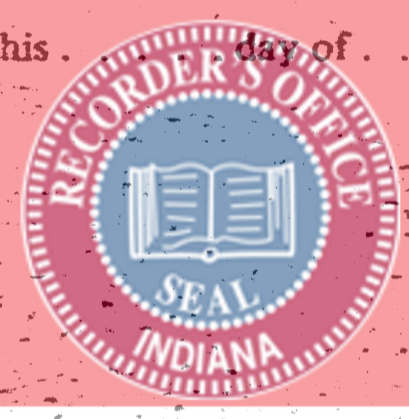
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The undersigned, being one or more persons, do hereby adopt these Articles of Incorporation, representing beforehand to the Secretary of State of the State of Indiana and all persons whom it may concern that a membership list or lists of the above named corporation for which a Certificate of Incorporation is hereby applied for, have heretofore been opened in accordance with the law and that at least three (3) persons have signed such membership list.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I (we) the undersigned do hereby execute these Articles of Incorporation and certify the truth of the facts herein stated, this day of January 19 80

Larry Burk
(Written Signature)
Larry Burk
(Printed Signature)



Floyd Coffman
(Written Signature)
Floyd Coffman
(Printed Signature)

Kenneth R. Millsbaugh
(Written Signature)
Kenneth R. Millsbaugh
(Printed Signature)

NOTARY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT (required)

State of Indiana)
County of LAKE)

Before me, WENDELL W. GOAD, a Notary Public in and for said county and State, personally appeared the above incorporator(s) and (severally) acknowledged the execution of the foregoing Articles of Incorporation.

Notary Seal Required
Wendell W. Goad
(Written Signature)
WENDELL W. GOAD, Notary Public
(Printed Signature)
My commission expires: 3/24/80

WITNESS my hand and Notarial Seal this day of January 19 80

This instrument was prepared by WENDELL W. GOAD, Attorney at Law
1000 E. 80th Pl., #302 N. (Name)
Merrillville In. 46410
(Number and Street or Building) (City) (State) (Zip Code)