

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF LAFAYETTE

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BE IT KNOWN, That on this 9th day of October, 1964, before me, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public, duly commissioned and qualified in and for the State and Parish aforesaid, therein residing, and in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, personally came and appeared the several persons whose names are hereunto subscribed, who declared that, availing themselves of the benefits and provisions of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana and the laws of said State relative to the organization of non-profit corporations, and particularly of the provisions of R. S. 12:101-155 inclusive, they have united to form, and do by these presents form and organize themselves, as well as all other persons who may hereafter join or become associated with them or their successors, into a non-profit corporation for the objects and purposes and under the covenants, stipulations and agreements following, to-wit:

ARTICLE I

The name and title of this corporation shall be the UNITARIAN CHURCH FELLOWSHIP OF LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA, and under and by said name, unless sooner dissolved in accordance with law, it shall exist and continue, and shall have and enjoy corporate existence and succession, for a period of ninety-nine (99) years from and after the date of this act, during which time it, generally, shall possess all the powers, rights, privileges, capacities and immunities which non-profit corporations are authorized, and may hereafter be authorized, to possess under the Constitution and laws of this State, and particularly under Title 12, Section 101 et seq., Louisiana Revised Statutes.

The FELLOWSHIP shall be a member of the Unitarian Universalist Association and of the Southwest Unitarian Conference.

ARTICLE II

The domicile of this corporation shall be the City of Lafayette, Parish of Lafayette, Louisiana, and the location and post office address of its registered office shall be 172 Vermilion Drive, Lafayette, Louisiana.

ARTICLE III

This corporation is organized, and it shall be operated exclusively for the promotion of the principles of freedom of religious belief, tolerance of difference of religious opinion, reason in religious conduct, and fostering the spirit of brotherhood of man. This shall include the acquisition and holding, by purchase, lease or otherwise, and administration, of property, real, personal and mixed, so that the same may be devoted to religious, charitable, educational and literary purposes, for the benefit of those who attend the church belonging to the corporation; and, to that end if necessary, the mortgaging or otherwise pledging or encumbering all or any part of the property of the corporation.

The foregoing shall be construed both as objects and powers but the enumeration thereof shall not be held to limit or restrict in any manner the powers and privileges conferred on this corporation by the Constitution and laws of Louisiana.

ARTICLE IV

This corporation is a non-profit corporation as defined in Section 101 subsection 8 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes aforesaid. No part of the net earnings or other assets of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual; and this corporation shall never carry or propoganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation.

ARTICLE V

The officers of this corporation shall consist of a president, a vice-president, a secretary, a treasurer, a historian,

and such other officers as the trustees may elect or appoint. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person, except the office of president and secretary. The president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and the historian are to be elected annually by the members of the fellowship and shall serve for one year or until their successors are duly elected and installed.

ARTICLE VI

The direction and administration of this corporation shall be vested in, and exercised by, a board of trustees of five (5) members, to be elected annually at a general meeting of the members. The qualifications, manner of election, and powers and duties of the trustees, the time, place and manner of calling, giving notice of, and conducting meetings of the trustees, and the number of trustees which shall constitute a quorum, shall be prescribed by the by-laws.

Failure to elect trustees annually shall not dissolve this corporation nor impair its corporate existence or management, but the trustees then in office shall remain in office until their successors shall have been duly elected and installed.

ARTICLE VII

The members shall have the power to make, alter and annul such rules and regulations for the government of the affairs of this corporation as they may deem proper.

ARTICLE VIII

The full names and post office addresses of the corporation's registered agents are:

Stanley P. Babin
Route 1, Box 171,
Duson, Louisiana

Oscar A. Chandler
434 Jefferson St.
Lafayette, Louisiana

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ARTICLE IX

This corporation is to be organized on a non-stock basis. Membership shall be open to all persons who are in sympathy with the purpose of the corporation, and shall be evidenced by the member's signature on a membership roster. Junior membership may be conferred on all persons between the ages of one and seventeen. Junior members and members not having been a member of the fellowship for at least ninety (90) days shall not be entitled to vote or hold office.

ARTICLE X

Membership dues, as paid in, as well as contributions made, from time to time, to this corporation, for its use in furtherance of its objects and purposes, may be used promptly, in the discretion of the board of trustees, to carry out the objects and purposes of this corporation, or may be invested so that the revenues therefrom may be used to carry out the objects and purposes of this corporation; provided, however, that said investments may be converted thereafter into cash and the proceeds used, as required, to carry out the objects and purposes of the corporation.

ARTICLE XI

The names and post office addresses of the subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation are:

Oscar A. Chandler 310 Clement St. Lafayette, Louisiana	Vincent H. Cassidy 172 Vermilion Drive Lafayette, Louisiana	Charles A. MacKenzie 107 Rosalind St. Lafayette, Louisiana
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ARTICLE XII

The first board of trustees shall be composed of the following persons who shall serve until the first annual meeting of the membership of the corporation or until their successors are elected and qualified:

Stanley P. Babin Route 1, Box 171 Duson, Louisiana	Robert W. Brookway 123 Perard St. Lafayette, Louisiana	Laurel Hansen 213 Montrose Lafayette, Louisiana
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Robert M. Webb
159 Whittington Drive
Lafayette, Louisiana

Oscar A. Chandler
310 Clement St.
Lafayette, Louisiana

ARTICLE XIII

No member of this corporation shall ever be held liable or responsible for contracts, debts, or defaults of this corporation, nor shall any mere informality in organization have the effect of rendering these Articles of Incorporation null or of exposing the members to any liability.

ARTICLE XIV

This charter may be amended, or this corporation may be dissolved, in the method and manner provided by law.

THUS DONE AND PASSED in duplicate originals in my office at Lafayette, Louisiana, on the day, month and year first above written, in the presence of Stanley P. Babin and Betty B. Comeaux, competent witnesses, who hereunto sign their names with the said appearers and me, Notary, after reading of the whole.

WITNESSES:

Stanley P. Babin Vincent H. Gaudy
Betty B. Comeaux Charles A. MacKenzie
Oscar A. Chandler
Raymond M. Allen
NOTARY PUBLIC

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LAFAYETTE, LA.
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