

State of Michigan }
 County of Calhoun }
 City of Battle Creek } p

We the undersigned in pursuance of an act numbered 97 entitled "an act to provide for the incorporation of Associations for the publication of periodicals newspapers books tracts documents and other publications approved March 7th 1861" desiring to avail ourselves of the privileges and powers granted and conferred by said Act, and to become incorporated under the said Act do hereby associate ourselves together as a body corporate for the purpose of publishing periodicals newspapers books tracts documents and other publications of a religious historical literary agricultural scientific or educational character and do hereby certify as follows to wit;

The name of such corporation shall be and is "Seventh day Adventist Publishing Association"

Its location is and shall be in the City of Battle Creek County of Calhoun and State of Michigan

The name and place of residence of the shareholders and the number of shares held by each of them respectively is as follows to wit;

Name	Place of Residence	No of Shares
James White	City of Battle Creek	Eight
John A. Dougherty	" "	Two
Uriah Smith	" "	Two
John P. Kellogg	" "	Two
Charles Smith	" "	One
George W. Madison	" "	One
William Hall	" "	One

And the amount of each of such shares shall be ten dollars

The amount of all real property that may be held by such corporation shall be fifty thousand dollars

The amount of all personal property that may be held by such corporation shall be twenty five thousand dollars

In witness whereof we have hereunto affixed our hands and seals at the City of Battle Creek this third day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred Sixty one

Recorded May 3^d 1861

Levi Mosher

Co Clerk

James White	S.S.
John A. Longbright	S.S.
Wm. Smith	S.S.
John P. Kellogg	S.S.
Cyrus Smith	S.S.
George W. Amadon	S.S.
William Hall	S.S.