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GLOBAL MINISTRIES, INC.

In Demonstration of Spirit and Power — I Cor. 2:4

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FCC Mail Room

August 7, 2009

Commission's Secretary
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Attention: CGB Room 3-B431

Greetings!

This is a formal application for exemption to the closed captioning requirements on the basis of undue burden (47 C.F. R. s 79.1(e)-(f)).

As noted in this petition, Destiny Global Ministries broadcast ministry began in 2001 in order to reach others outside the church with the gospel message via radio. We are currently in the process of securing airtime on television to reach even more outside of our church. This television broadcast will provide a place for the gospel message to be heard by those who tune in each week.

The expense to provide closed caption would greatly jeopardize our ability to finance our program. Specifically:

- (a) Destiny Global doesn't employ any media editors. The cost to hire additional staff to supply in house captioning is not a possibility.
- (b) Purchasing software and equipment, estimated at \$7,000, is also cost prohibitive.
- (c) Utilizing a third-party to provide this service has been estimated at \$600.00 per week or \$31,200 annual.

These costs would significantly impede this non-profit organization, resulting in the inability of our ministry to begin and maintain our program. The financial support for this church is funded through tithes, offerings and donations. Destiny Global Ministries will not generate income from the broadcast through product sales, donations requests or paid advertising. The goal of the broadcast is to win souls therefore we do not want to impact the significance of the gospel message by focusing on the financial burdens associated with offering closed captioning.

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The broadcast will be produced and distributed locally and is of local public interest. The programs are not news, they do not have repeat syndication value, and because it's not live, the electronic newsroom technique is not an option.

I am including a 2008 financial summary for your review in support of the financial burden that captioning would impose upon Destiny Global Ministries and our broadcast ministry.

We are praying that you will review our request and render us an exemption from the closed captioning requirements. Please note, we do understand and believe in the FCC's underlying premise that all programs should be closed captioned so that the hearing impaired have access. As a matter of fact, Destiny Global Ministries provides a ministry to the hearing impaired through volunteer interpreters for our worship services. Therefore we are praying that our finances increase so that closed captioning of our broadcasts can be considered as God provides.

Respectfully thanking you for your time and consideration.

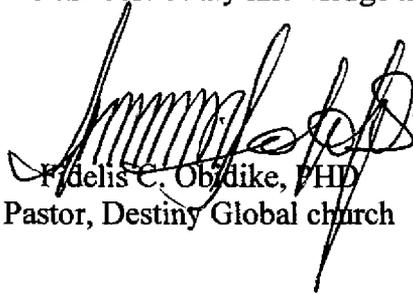
Turning an audience into an army

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Fidelis Obidike', written over a printed name and title.

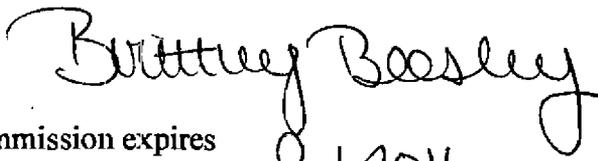
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Pastor Destiny Global Ministries

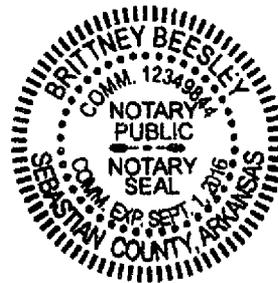
AFFIDAVIT

I the undersigned being first duly sworn verify under oath that I am the Pastor of Destiny Global Church under the auspices of Destiny Global Ministries, Inc and prepared the material consisting of three pages which is attached to this affidavit and pledge that it is true correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.


Fidelis C. Obidike, PHD
Pastor, Destiny Global church

Subscribed and swore to before me the under signed notary public on 17th day of August, 2009


My commission expires 9-1-2016



Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-1150

2007

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

▶ Sponsoring organizations, and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$100,000 and total assets less than \$250,000 at the end of the year may use this form.

▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

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Inspection**

990-EZ

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

For the 2007 calendar year, or tax year beginning _____, 2007, and ending _____, 20

Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.	C Name of organization DESTINY GLOBAL CHRISTIAN MINISTRIE	D Employer identification number _____
	Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite _____	E Telephone number (479) 648-0050
	PO BOX 8434 City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 FORT SMITH AR 72908-8434	F Group Exemption Number . . . ▶ _____

Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

G Accounting method: Cash Accrual
Other (specify) ▶ _____

H Check if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

Website: ▶ _____

Organization type (check only one) - 501(c)(3) (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527

Check if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. A return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.

Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts; if \$100,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. ▶ \$ 70,919

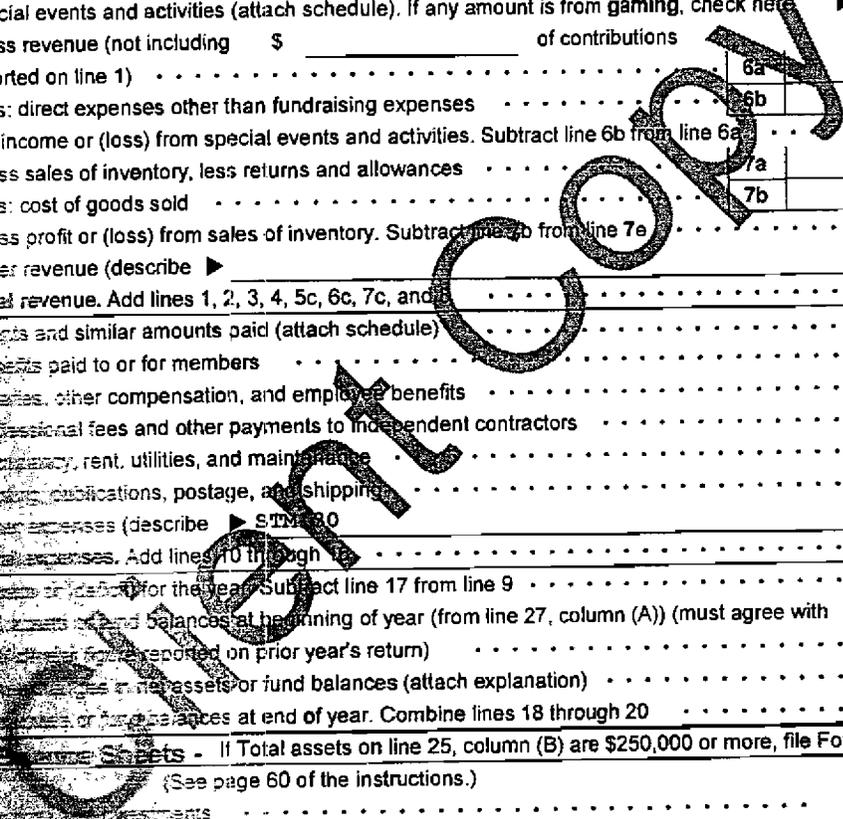
Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See page 55 of the instructions.)

1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received		70,919
2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts		
3 Membership dues and assessments		
4 Investment income		
5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory. Subtract line 5b from line 5a (attach schedule)	5c	
6 Special events and activities (attach schedule). If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		
a Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1)	6a	
b Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b	
c Net income or (loss) from special events and activities. Subtract line 6b from line 6a	6c	
7a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	
b Less: cost of goods sold	7b	
c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory. Subtract line 7b from line 7a	7c	
8 Other revenue (describe _____)		
9 Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8		70,919
10 Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)		
11 Benefits paid to or for members		
12 Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits		
13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors		12,914
14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance		24,054
15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping		589
16 Other expenses (describe STM 90)		12,223
17 Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16		49,780
18 Excess of revenue for the year. Subtract line 17 from line 9		21,139
19 Assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with amount reported on prior year's return)		100
20 Changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)		
21 Assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20		21,239

Part II Net Assets - If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$250,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. (See page 60 of the instructions.)

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Total assets	100 22	21,239
23		
24		
25 Total assets	100 25	21,239
26		
27 Total assets	100 27	21,239

Line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21



Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-1150

2008

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Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

▶ Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$1,000,000 and total assets less than \$2,500,000 at the end of the year may use this form.

▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

990-EZ

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

For the **2008** calendar year, or tax year beginning **2008**, and ending **20**

Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.	C Name of organization DESTINY GLOBAL CHRISTIAN MINISTRIE	D Employer identification number _____
	Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite PO BOX 8434	E Telephone number (479) 648-0050
	City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 FORT SMITH, AR 72908	F Group Exemption Number . . . ▶ _____

Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

G Accounting method: Cash Accrual Other (specify) ▶ _____

H Check if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

Website: ▶ _____

Organization type (check only one) - 501(c) (3) ◀ (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527

Check if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. A return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.

Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts; if \$1,000,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ \$ **56,397**

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See the instructions for Part I.)

1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	56,397
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	
3	Membership dues and assessments	3	
4	Investment income	4	
5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) (attach schedule)	5c	
6	Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G). If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		
a	Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1)	6a	
b	Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b	
c	Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c	
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	
b	Less: cost of goods sold	7b	
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	
8	Other revenue (describe ▶ _____)	8	
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8	9	56,397
10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	10	
11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	
12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	18,889
13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	180
14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	29,066
15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	923
16	Other expenses (describe ▶ STM130)	16	20,347
17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	69,405
18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	(13,008)
19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	21,239
20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20	
21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	8,231

Balance Sheets. If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$2,500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ.

		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22	Cash, savings, and investments	21,239	8,231
23	Land and buildings	23	
24	Other assets (describe ▶ _____)	24	
25	Total assets	21,239	8,231
26	Liabilities (describe ▶ _____)	26	
27	Total assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	21,239	8,231