

Statement of Faith

We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit. We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return.

In Jesus Christ the love, mercy, and grace of God are made known to us and all people. From this overflowing abundance of God's love, we find our call to ministry. We desire Him to be central in our individual and corporate lives. We seek to follow Him—in his identification with the poor, the afflicted, the oppressed, the marginalized; in his special concern for children; in his respect for the dignity bestowed by God on women equally with men; in his challenge to unjust attitudes and systems; in his call to share resources with each other; in his love for all people without discrimination or conditions; in His offer of new life through faith in Him. From Him we derive our holistic understanding of the Gospel of the kingdom of God, which forms the basis of our response to human need.

Sanctity of Human Life: We believe that God is the author and creator of all life, and that we are created in His likeness and image. As such, we believe and affirm that all life has inherent value, worth, and dignity because it is created by God. Based on this inherent value, we seek to protect and care for life in all stages of God's creation, from conception to natural death. We believe and affirm that life begins at conception, at which time the full genetic blueprint for life is in place. As such, we view life from conception through birth to be uniquely vulnerable, and therefore work to protect and defend life in these early stages. We believe that abortion and abortifacient medications are never necessary or appropriate medical care for women or her unborn child.

We also affirm the inherent dignity and humanity of all women who come to us in need and recognize their vulnerability and often the difficult circumstances in which they have been placed. Accordingly, our love of God and service to our Lord Jesus Christ requires that we love and serve those in need, which extends not only to providing services through birth, but also a holistic approach that continues to care for and minister to the bodily and spiritual needs of mother, child, and family after birth.

Sexuality and Marriage: We believe that God wonderfully and immutably creates each person as either male or female, and that these two distinct, complementary sexes together reflect the image and nature of God. Accordingly, our communication with clients and all other persons reflects the reality of God's created order—put simply, we use male pronouns to refer to those persons who were created biologically male, and female pronouns to refer to those persons who were created biologically female. Finally, we believe that God created marriage to be exclusively the union of one man and one woman, and that intimate sexual activity is to occur exclusively within that union.

Signature _____ Date _____

Staff/volunteer affirm that he or she has read, agrees with, and is willing to abide by your organization's Statement of Faith, to be reviewed and signed annually.