## **FAITH STATEMENT**

We believe all matters of faith and conduct must be evaluated based on Holy Scripture within the Bible, our infallible guide. (2 Timothy 3:16–17) Since the Holy Bible communicates and records human interactions, behaviors, and biological concepts, it is imperative that we correctly understand and articulate what the Bible teaches on these matters as it relates to believers and nonbelievers in Christ.

We also recognize that adherence to these biblical beliefs only pertains to those who decide to follow the true path of Christ Jesus. We acknowledge that we have no biblical authority granted to us to force our beliefs on others who choose to believe contrary to our ideology. We recognize that we do not have the biblical authority to pass judgment (Matthew 7:1-5) or act discriminately against those who behave contrary to our beliefs because that authority is God's alone (Romans 13:1).

As believers in Christ, we naturally gravitate all our actions towards the principles, guidelines, values, and framework laid out within the teachings of Christ Jesus. While these teachings might not be universally preferred, they have universal concepts that can be applied to any application with the correct understanding and implementation. Our goal is to use these concepts for the betterment of the communities we serve without involving discrimination. We uphold the teachings of Christ Jesus and believe in the philosophical premises of those teachings. We also acknowledge that this philosophical viewpoint has a practical, logical, transferable, and physical property that can be applied to one's life voluntarily. Indiscriminately, we believe these philosophical premises can be shared impartially (Deuteronomy 10: 17-19) (1 Peter 5: 1-7).

While our faith covers areas like abortion, sexuality, murder, and many other permutations, we declare that most of those areas have no place at the center and do not involve the objectives and processes within the center. We also acknowledge that we are not a political organization and refuse to conduct ourselves in a manner conducive to a political organization. Our rules of conduct and community standards will make known any areas involving the center's operations.

Finally, we acknowledge that our actions determine our beliefs. Those actions, whether with believers or nonbelievers, should mimic the fruits of the spirit: love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control, as described in Galatians 5:22-23.