



Annapolis Area Christian School Association
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ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION

Membership in the AACSA enables individuals of at least 21 years of age, who can sign the school's Statement of Faith, to become voting members in all corporate decisions made by the Association.

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AACS STATEMENT OF FAITH

Our Statement of Faith is the "who" and the "what" we believe. The Statement of Faith does not exhaust the extent of our beliefs. The Bible itself, as the inspired and infallible Word of God that speaks with final authority concerning Truth, morality, and the proper conduct of mankind, is the sole and final source of all that we believe. For purposes of our school's faith, doctrine, practice, policy, and discipline, our Board of Directors is the final interpretive authority on the Bible's meaning and application.

WE BELIEVE

WE BELIEVE that God's revelation of Himself is our cornerstone. The Foundation of the School is God's revelation of Himself through His Son, Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit, as recorded in the Bible.

WE BELIEVE the Bible is our guiding authority. The Bible is the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative revelation of God. It sets the course for the development of an integral curriculum that can deal meaningfully and realistically with everything in the creation. The Bible calls us to take all of God's creation seriously, to learn to discern good from evil as we live in God's world, and to work for the renewal of every area of sin-darkened life by the power of His redeeming love. We hold the Scriptures, contained in the Old and New Testaments, to be the inspired Word of God, to which nothing may be added or subtracted (2 Tim. 3:16, Rev. 22:18-19).

WE BELIEVE we are stewards of His world. The Bible makes clear that God created the Heavens and the Earth, and every living thing, by the power of His Word. He made human beings in His own image and called them to be the stewards of His world (Gen. 1:26-29, 2:15; Ps. 8:6-8).

WE BELIEVE we are fallen. The Bible explains how His marvelously fashioned creatures, male and female, have nonetheless rebelled against God and fallen under His judgment of death against sin (Gen. 3, Rom. 6:23). In this fallen condition, mankind lacks both the ability and the inclination to be reconciled to God (Eph. 2:1-10).

WE BELIEVE Christ is the redeemer and Lord of Creation. But the Bible also unfolds the wonderful story of salvation – that God has sent His own Son to die on the cross to redeem sinners, raising Him from death to become the Lord of all creation (Matt. 28:18, I Cor. 15). Jesus is the eternal Son of God – fully God and fully man, and He lived in our place – satisfying the requirements of God’s Law where we have failed to do so, and then died in our place – satisfying God’s just condemnation of our sin. Not only has Jesus paid our just debt; He has also granted us grace to live in the blessing and abundance of fellowship with Him as Savior, Lord, and King (2 Cor. 5:17-21).

WE BELIEVE in the work of the Holy Spirit. By the power of the Holy Spirit, God now calls sinners to Himself through repentance and faith to become the body of Christ, the Church. The Spirit regenerates our dead hearts – enabling us to respond in faith (John 3:5-8), testifies with our hearts that we are children of God (Rom. 8:15-16), produces fruit that leads to changed lives (Gal. 5:16-23), comforts and leads us into all truth (John 16:5-15). The Spirit also gives gifts to every believer, that we may use our gifts to build up the Body of Christ (1 Cor. 12). We do not believe that any particular Spiritual Gifts prove our salvation.

WE BELIEVE we are Agents of His reconciliation in the world. The redeemed people of God are empowered to serve as agents of His reconciliation in all the world, called to proclaim the Gospel of Christ and call people to be reconciled to God (John 16:5-15, II Cor. 5:17-29, Matt. 28:18-20), and to adorn the Gospel message with lives of love and compassion (1Pet. 2).

WE BELIEVE we are joint heirs with Christ. As the redeemed of God, believers in Christ persevere in faith and are preserved by the Holy Spirit such that they are eternally secure in their relationship with God as joint heirs with Christ and accept the responsibilities and privileges inherent in that relationship (John 10:17-29).

WE BELIEVE in eternal life and condemnation. When Jesus Christ returns in glory to fulfill His Father's plan, He will complete the judgment and redemption of the world and bring His people into perfect fellowship with God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – forever. The Bible teaches that every human being will be resurrected – those who are in Christ will be raised to eternal life in the presence of God and His love in the context of a New Heaven and New Earth – those who are not in Christ will be raised to eternal condemnation poured out for their sin, separated from God’s favor, in the context of what the Scriptures call Hell. We believe that, since the Holy Spirit is the One who brings us into a right relationship with God while we were sinners, there is then nothing that will separate us from the love of God, so that we need not fear that true salvation may be lost (John 6:35-40; John 10: 1-18).

WE BELIEVE that the term *marriage* has only one meaning: the uniting of one man and one woman in a single, exclusive union, as delineated in Scripture (Genesis 2:18-25). We believe that God intends sexual intimacy to occur only between a man and a woman who are married to each other (I Corinthians 6:18, Hebrews 13:4).

WE BELIEVE that God wonderfully foreordained and immutably created each person as either male or female in conformity with their biological sex. These two distinct yet complementary genders together reflect the image and the nature of God (Genesis 1:26-27). Rejection of one’s biological sex is a rejection of the image of God within that person.

WE BELIEVE that every person must be afforded compassion, love, kindness, respect, and dignity (Mark 12:28-31; Luke 6:31). Harassing and hateful behavior or attitudes directed toward any individual are to be repudiated and are not in accord with Scripture nor the doctrines of Annapolis Area Christian School.

I subscribe to the above Statement of Faith.

I am...

a parent of a current AACCS student.

YES NO

a parent of a former AACCS student.

YES NO

an alumni and am 18 years or older.

YES NO

a current member of our AACCS faculty/staff.

YES NO

a friend of AACCS.

YES NO

Signed _____

Date _____

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