



FAITH STATEMENT

I believe in one God, represented in the three persons of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (*John 14:6-21*).

I believe in God the Father, eternal Creator of all things (*Genesis 1:1; Hebrews 11:3*).

I believe in Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, my Savior (*John 3:16*).

I believe that Jesus Christ was sinless, that He died on the cross to forgive man's sin, and that He was raised from the dead on the third day (*Hebrews 4:14, 15; 1 Corinthians 15:3, 4*).

I believe that after appearing to many witnesses, Jesus ascended into heaven, where He reigns at the right hand of the Father, and I believe that He is coming again to judge the living and the dead and to redeem the saved (*1 Corinthians 15:5-8; Acts 1:1-9; Colossians 3:1; John 14:1-3; 1 Peter 4:5*).

I believe in the Holy Spirit of God, who dwells in and guides every Christian (*1 Corinthians 3:16; John 14:16, 17*).

I believe that the Bible is the holy word of God, Scripture. I believe it is inspired by God without error; and our ultimate source for eternal truth (*2 Timothy 3:16-17; Hebrews 4:12-13*).

I believe that because of our willful disobedience, all men are sinners cut off from God, and that because of this each of us is without hope and deserving of death (eternal separation from God) (*1 John 1:8, 10; Romans 3:23, 6:23*).

I believe that salvation, the forgiveness of sins, and the promise of eternal life are available by grace alone: it is a gift of God and not a result of my own actions. A believer's salvation is secured only through Christ by the shedding of Jesus' blood and the sacrifice of His life (*Ephesians 2:8, 9; Acts 4:12; 1 John 1:7*).

I believe that the grace of God through Jesus Christ is received by faith when a believer becomes obedient to the will of God, confesses Jesus Christ as Savior, repents of sin, is immersed in water (baptized) according to the Bible, and continues to grow in obedience. (*Ephesians 2:8; 1 John 1:9; Acts 2:38; 1 Peter 3:21; Philippians 2:12*).

I believe in the Church of Jesus Christ, consisting of all believers worldwide, founded on the day of Pentecost. I believe that the church is to fulfill the great commission of Jesus Christ (*Matthew 16:13-18; Acts 2:14-41; Matthew 28:18-20*).

I believe that, as a Christian, I am God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for me to do. These works are the fruit that result from remaining in the Vine (that is, Christ). Thus, by my fruit, I will be recognized as belonging to Christ – such fruit includes acknowledging Christ before men and meeting the physical and emotional needs of those around me (*Ephesians 2:10; John 15:4-5; Matthew 7:20; Matthew 10:32; Matthew 25:35-36; Acts 2:42*).

By signing below, I testify that I agree with the Faith Statement of Michiana Christian Service Camp, and that all of the instruction and teaching that I share with M.C.S.C. campers and families will be in accordance with this Faith Statement.

Signature: _____ Date: _____