

# STATEMENT OF FAITH

**SHEPHERD'S FOLD PRESCHOOL is operated in accordance with the Christian principles that are revealed in the Holy Bible. These principles have been summarized in this Statement of Faith and are integrated into every aspect of our academic instruction and child/staff relationships. They serve as a guide for our ethical and moral standards in behavior and business practices. Every child who attends SHEPHERD'S FOLD PRESCHOOL will be taught these principles.**

**1. We believe that the Holy Bible is the written Word of God, divinely inspired through many authors. We believe that, as originally written, it is the supreme authority in matters of faith and practice for all true Christians everywhere.**

**2. We believe that God is triune - one and eternal, existing in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Man has been created in His image, and all creation and providence reveal His existence and presence to mankind.**

**3. We believe that Jesus, the Christ, is God manifested in the flesh and born of a virgin. He lived an earthly life in perfect harmony with the Father, and by suffering and dying on the cross, he provided the only way for man to be reconciled to God. We believe that Jesus was crucified, died, was buried, arose bodily from the grave on the third day, was seen by many witnesses, ascended to the Father's right hand, and is coming to earth again with great power and glory.**

**4. We believe that it is only through God's grace and our faith in the redemptive and restorative power of Jesus, the Christ, that we gain access to eternal life and avoid the consequences of our selfishness and rebellion against Him. We believe that we can achieve true peace and joy in our earthly existence only when we live in complete harmony with God's goals and objectives.**

**5. We believe that it is the God-given responsibility of the parents to educate their children. This education must include the basic tenets of traditional Christianity, a Bible-based system of ethics and morals, the academic skills necessary for economic survival in modern America, and the social graces required for civilized interaction with others in our society. The parents, through the agency of the church and/or school, indirectly employ teachers who are qualified educationally, spiritually, and morally to assist them in fulfilling their responsibilities.**

**6. We believe that no truth exists apart from God's truth. Inasmuch as all education presupposes a search for truth, all true education begins with the acknowledgment of the Sovereignty of God, the perception that both logic and nature are God's unique creation, and that history is and has always been the story of man's relationship with God and his fellowmen. Christianity is not "added on"; it is the very fabric of true education.**

**7. We believe that all true believers are one in Christ. Although we recognize denominational differences, it is not the position of our school to teach any one set of directives to the exclusion of others. The goal is to focus on the essential elements of the faith that all Christians traditionally hold in common, leaving the student's indoctrination into a particular denominational position to the individual family and their church.**

With my digital signature below, I confirm that I have read and understood SHEPHERD'S FOLD PRESCHOOL'S Statement of Faith. By enrolling my child at SHEPHERD'S FOLD PRESCHOOL, I acknowledge that they will be taught biblical principles, attend weekly chapel services, memorize scripture, and engage in daily prayer.

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Parent/Guardian Name

Parent/Gaurdian Signature

Date

My child does attend church \_\_\_\_\_

If "yes", name of church \_\_\_\_\_