



STATEMENT OF FAITH

God designed the family as the foundation for proper government, society, and spiritual development. In it, the child gradually learns self-governance, social responsibilities, and develops a personal relationship with the Creator and Savior. (Eph. 6:1-3; Col. 3:20).

God given responsibility for the education of children belongs to parents (Deuteronomy 4:9; 6:1-25; Ephesians 6:1-4). All education is religious in nature (Proverbs 2:1-8; 3:1-2; 6:20-23; Matthew 28:18-20); that every discipline of knowledge will have as its final reference point a theistic or humanistic view of reality (Colossians 1:15-20; 2:8-15); and that there are no neutral academic disciplines.

We reject all philosophies, beliefs, and teachings that are contrary to the written Word of God, the Holy Bible. Thus, we believe that all knowledge shall begin with the fear of God and end in the glory of God (Proverbs 1:7; Romans 11:33-36).

We affirm these essential tenets of Christian theology:

- The Bible is the Holy Spirit inspired and only written, infallible, authoritative Word of God, inerrant in the original autographs (II Timothy. 3:16-17; II Peter 1:20-21).
- The Bible consists of the 66 books of the Old and New Testaments. There are no other divinely inspired books. The canon of scripture was closed at the end of the apostolic age (Revelation 22:18-19).
- God is One Being who eternally exists as three Persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; all of the Persons are equal in power and glory (Matthew 28:19; II Corinthians 13:14).
- Jesus Christ is fully God and fully man (John 1:1, 14), born of a virgin (Matthew 1:18), sinless in His life (Hebrews 4:15); He willingly died on the cross as a substitute for sinful men (Hebrews 9:15); He rose bodily from the grave (John 20:1-9; 24-31; Acts 2:24); and He now reigns with the Father (Colossians 3:1, Hebrews 8:1).
- All humans are sinful by nature (Romans 3:23; 5:12) and can only be forgiven by the expression of trust in Jesus as Savior (John 3:16), brought about by the regenerating work of the Holy Spirit (Titus 3:5-7).
- The Holy Spirit indwells the Christian, empowering him/her to live a godly life (Romans 8:1-17).
- A family is a married man and a woman who may have one or more children (Genesis 1:26-28) though we recognize the exception of a single parent home (James 1:27). God has ordained men to lead their households and to love their wives as Christ loves the church, wives are subject to the Christ focused leadership of their husband, and children are to obey their parents (Ephesians 5:19-6:4).

This statement of faith is a statement of the basics of our common Biblical, Christian faith that unites us as Christian homeschoolers. UTCH will not accept a statement of faith that has been altered. We require that at a minimum one parent be able to agree with and sign this document in good conscience.

Please contact UTCH in writing or by email if you have any question concerning this statement.