



## Statement of Faith

The GVHSA Statement of Faith is considered to be “non-denominational” and encompasses those truths which distinguish Christian believers from non-believers. There are many other precious truths taught in the Bible over which believers have differed in understanding; therefore, this is not a statement of all that is important to believe, but of all that is essential to believe for Christian fellowship and unity.

- 1. Our organization is Christ-centered with the Bible providing our basis and standard of truth and values.** We believe the Bible is the inspired and infallible Word of God and represents the final authority for faith and life. The Bible, in its original autograph, is without error in whole or in part; including theological concepts as well as geographical and historical details. (II Timothy 3:16, II Peter 1:20-21, Matthew 4:4.)
- 2. We believe that God has existed from all eternity in three persons:** God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Jesus Christ came in human flesh being fully God and fully man except without sin. (John 1:1, John 1:14, John 8:58, John 10:30, Romans 1:1-4, Philippians 2:5-11, Colossians 1:15-19)
- 3. We believe that all men are in violation of God’s righteous requirements and His holy character both by nature and act;** and are therefore under His wrath and just condemnation. The central purpose of the coming of Jesus Christ was to pay the penalty for man’s sin through His substitutionary death on the cross - the successful accomplishment of which was attested to by His subsequent visible, bodily resurrection. (Isaiah 53:6, Isaiah 53:12, Romans 6:23, John 3:16-18, Acts 5:30-32, Acts 13:29-39.)
- 4. We believe salvation is offered as a gift; free to the sinner.** The gift must be responded to in individual faith, not trusting in any personal works whatsoever, but the sacrificial death of Jesus Christ alone. (Romans 3:21-26, Ephesians 2:8-9.)
- 5. We believe that God has given to parents the responsibility of training, educating and nurturing their children.** (Deuteronomy 6:6-7, Proverbs 22:6, Ephesians 6:4.) We are actively homeschooling our own school-age children and are responsibly, consistently teaching our children on their own individual levels.
- 6. We believe that God created man, and that He created mankind as male and female.** As such, He created them different so as to complement and complete each other. God instituted monogamous marriage between one genetic male and one genetic female as the foundation of the family and the basic structure of human society. (Genesis 1:27, 2:24, Matthew 19:4-6, John 4:16-18, Romans 1:18-32, 1 Corinthians 5:11, 6:9-11, 6:18-20, 7:1-3, 7:8-9, Galatians 5:19-21, Ephesians 5:3-7, 1 Timothy 1:9-11.)

**7. Those who take a position of leadership (Board of Directors, Officer, or Class Instruction) must be a believing and practicing Christian (Romans 10:9, 2 Timothy 1:13-14), seeking personal Christ-likeness in their life (Romans 8:29, Ephesians 4:13), willing to submit to decisions of the GVHSA Board (Hebrews 13:17, Titus 3:1), trustworthy and reliable (1 Corinthians 4:2), willing to serve to the best of their ability using the gifts God has given them (1 Corinthians 12, Romans 12, Ephesians 4), and willing to consent to the biblical creation model (Genesis 1-2).**

**I have read and acknowledge the association will be governed by the above statement of faith.**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_