

## WSCEC's Statement of Faith

West Shore Christian Evangelical Community is a non-denominational, evangelical (believing in the necessity of salvation in Christ), Bible-believing (embracing the Bible as God's infallible and complete message to all people) and grace-dependent group of home educating families. We believe the following truths found in the inerrant Word of God:

There is one, true God who exists in a perfect relationship of three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. (Matthew 28:19)

All people sin, falling short of God's standard of perfection thus separating them from God (Rom. 5:12, 3:23). The payment for sin is eternal separation from God, but in God's great love and mercy, He has provided all people a way of salvation - a way to be reunited with God - through Jesus Christ's death, burial and resurrection. (Rom. 6:23, I Peter 1:3)

Salvation comes by grace through faith, not by any good works that we may do, but it is a gift of God (Eph. 2:8&9) and that anyone who confesses with his mouth that Jesus is Lord and believes in his heart that God raised Jesus from the dead, he will be saved. (Rom. 10:9 & 10, 13)

Upon receiving this salvation, the Holy Spirit comes to live in us, teaching us and enabling us to have a personal, vibrant relationship with God and to live a Godly life. (Acts 2:38, John 14:26)

Those who receive this salvation through faith in Christ make up the true church, the body of Christ. We value the body of Christ regardless of denominational lines. (1 Corinthians 12:13)

As followers of Jesus Christ, we are called to testify to the Good News of God's grace by speaking and living out our faith openly before others (Acts 20:24) and by loving God with all our hearts, minds, souls and strength and loving others as ourselves. (Luke 10:27)

Bringing glory to God is our greatest purpose in this life. (1 Cor. 10:31)

## WSCEC's Core Beliefs & Behaviors

As a community we believe that:

Every life matters to God.

Therefore, every mother & child in our community matter and deserve our love, attention & service.

Family was created by God and is a gift to be cherished and protected.

Therefore, we highly value & consider it a privilege to serve families.

Parents are responsible for their children's education and preparation for the future. Home schooling is a courageous and sacrificial choice for that education. Therefore, we come alongside parents in that endeavor by supporting, encouraging and providing educational experiences and classes for both children and parents.

Homeschooling mothers are very special people and have a sacred responsibility and calling to nurture of the hearts and lives of their children.

Therefore, we do all that we can to encourage, teach, pray for, and support especially mothers.

God has given each person gifts and abilities to be used to further His Kingdom here on earth.

Therefore, we provide ways for both mothers and children to discover, develop, and use their gifts and abilities.

### WSCEC's Mission

To build a distinctly Christian, educational community where God is not only welcome but honored & pursued. It is WSCEC's purpose and privilege to provide the following:

- Support and encouragement for homeschooling moms through devotions, fellowship, workshops, training, resources, and opportunities to use their gifts and abilities.
- Stimulating, organized, and educational activities for babies, toddlers, and preschoolers.
- Engaging, educational learning experiences for children K-12, which may include language arts, history, sciences, mathematics, fine arts, foreign languages, physical education, life skills, field trips, and other special interest subjects.
- Quality academic classes for middle and high school students.

