

## **STATEMENT OF FAITH and COMMITMENT**

We have determined to align with the Lausanne Covenant, which is resumed as follows. The entire statement with Bible references can be found on: http://www.lausanne.org/ covenant

- 1. We affirm our belief in the one eternal God, Creator and Lord of the world, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
- 2. We affirm the divine inspiration, truthfulness and authority of both Old and New Testament Scriptures in their entirety as the only written word of God.
- 3. Jesus Christ, being Himself the only God man, who gave Himself as the only ransom for sinners, is the only mediator between God and people.
- 4. Evangelism is the proclamation of the historical, biblical Christ as Savior and Lord, with a view to persuading people to come to him personally and so be reconciled to God.
- 5. The salvation we claim should be transforming us in the totality of our personal and social responsibilities. Faith without works is dead.
- 6. World evangelization requires the whole Church to take the whole gospel to the whole world.
- 7. We pledge ourselves to seek a deeper unity in truth, worship, holiness and mission.
- 8. All followers of Christ are called to join hands in evangelistical partnerships.
- 9. The goal should be, by all available means and at the earliest possible time, that every person will have the opportunity to hear, understand, and to receive the good news.
- 10. Christ's evangelists must humbly seek to empty themselves of alien cultural baggage in order to become the servants of others, and churches must seek to transform and enrich culture, all for the glory of God.

- 11. Training programs should not rely on any stereotyped methodology but should be developed by creative local initiatives according to biblical standards.
- 12. The Church must be in the world; the world must not be in the Church.
- 13. We will seek to stand against injustice and to remain faithful to the gospel, whatever the cost.
- 14. Worldwide evangelization will become a realistic possibility only when the Spirit renews the Church in truth and wisdom, faith, holiness, love and power.
- 15. We believe that Jesus Christ will return personally and visibly, in power and glory, to consummate his salvation and his judgment.