## **Trinity Belief Statement**

Trinity Homeschool Academy (T.E.A.C.H) is committed to teaching a biblical worldview. It is our hope to develop Christ-centered children, youth, and adults who will impact the world through the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Though all are welcome, it is expected that everyone (including instructors, students, and families) will respect our Christian beliefs. We will not tolerate attempts to indoctrinate others on beliefs that do not adhere to Biblical teachings.

Although we believe in the practice of the Golden Rule, treating others as we would wish to be treated, we encourage believers to love others as Jesus loves us. (*John 13: 34-36*) We believe that this principle can effectively guide our social and business relationships, helping us to cultivate the mind of Christ and a heart for others (*Matthew 7:12, Romans 12:1-2*).

We believe that followers of God have been called to exercise self-control and holiness in their personal lives, generosity and kindness in their relations with others, and grace in all matters of life (Romans 12:9-21, Galatians 5:22-23).

We believe that all persons irrespective of their station or circumstances in life have been made in the image of God and must be treated with dignity, justice, and respect. We denounce as sin racism, sexism, and other expressions that unjustly discriminate against any person (*Genesis 1-2, Deuteronomy 16:19-20, Luke 11:42, 19:9, Colossians 3:11*).

We believe that life is a holy gift of God whose beginnings and endings are set by God, and that it is the particular duty of believers to protect those who may be powerless to protect themselves, including the unborn, those with disabilities or serious illness, and the aged (Genesis 2:7, Leviticus 19:32, Jeremiah 1:5, Luke 1:41-44).

The sacredness of all life compels us to resist the practice of abortion. We do not accept abortion as a means of birth control or gender selection, and we call upon all Christians as disciples of the Lord of Life to prayerfully consider how we can support those women facing unintended pregnancies without adequate care, counsel, or resources (*Exodus* 22:23-23, *Psalm* 139:13-16, *James* 1:27).

We believe that human sexuality is a gift of God that is to be affirmed as it is exercised within the legal and spiritual covenant of a loving and monogamous marriage between one man born a man and one woman born a woman (Exodus 20:14, Matthew 19:3-9, Ephesians 5:22-33).

We are saddened by all sinful expressions of sexual behavior, including pornography and promiscuity, that do not recognize the sacred worth of each individual or that seek to exploit, abuse, objectify, or degrade others, or that represent less than God's intentional design for His children. While affirming a scriptural view of sexuality and gender, we welcome all to experience the redemptive grace of Jesus and are committed to being a safe place of refuge, hospitality, and healing for any who may have experienced brokenness in their sexual lives (*Genesis 1:27, Genesis 2:24, 1 Corinthians 6:9-20*).

We believe that children, whether through birth or adoption, are a sacred gift to us from God, and we accept our responsibility to both protect and nurture the youngest among us, particularly against such abuses as enforced child labor, involuntary conscription, human trafficking, and other such practices in the world (*Deuteronomy 4:9-10, Psalm 127:3-5, 1 Timothy 5:4,8,16*).

We believe in the final triumph of righteousness when the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdom of Christ, and we accept our calling to work towards that end as Christ's light and the salt of the earth (*Matthew 5:13-16*, *Revelation 11:15-17*, *Revelation 21-22*).

I have read and understand this is the belief statement of T.E.A.C.H. and agree that I, and my family, will respect the beliefs while on campus: (Please note that we understand each family may choose their own way of communicating these beliefs with their children as we have students from 4 - 18)

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