

# Statement of Affirmation Form



## *Statement of Faith and Code of Christian Conduct*

One Hope Canada is a distinctively Christian organization whose mission is to present the Gospel—particularly to those having the least opportunity to hear of Christ and especially to children and youth—and disciple believers for living and serving through His Church.

Our policies are built on principles taken from the Holy Bible, the final authority guiding our faith, our actions and our organization. We require that all One Hope Canada year-round missionaries and board members as well as individuals serving (paid or unpaid) in summer missionary positions (referred to as “personnel” in this document) believe and follow both our Statement of Faith and our Code of Christian Conduct, as defined below.

### **Abbreviated Statement of Faith**

One Hope Canada has an understanding and interpretation of Scriptures consistent with the evangelical Christian tradition and maintains a Statement of Faith and Code of Christian Conduct based on that understanding and interpretation of Scripture.

In short summary, we believe—

1. The whole Bible is inspired by God and, therefore, our authority for faith and practice.
2. The Trinity is one God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
3. Jesus Christ is God and was miraculously conceived, performed miracles, died and was buried, physically rose again, ascended to heaven and will return.
4. In the person of the Holy Spirit, whose ministry is to glorify the Lord Jesus Christ, draw all people to Him, renew the believing sinner, and indwell, guide, instruct and empower the believer for godly living and service.
5. In the existence of Satan, a created being and an enemy of God.
6. All people, though created in the image of God, have rebelled and are totally sinful, unable to please God; all will one day be resurrected and only by being born again through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ alone can they receive salvation and the gift of eternal life, thus escaping conscious eternal punishment.

### **Code of Christian Conduct**

One Hope Canada is a community of people united by their common Christian faith. Because One Hope Canada personnel serve as highly visible role models and servant leaders within our communities, they are representatives of our shared faith in Jesus Christ in every aspect of their lives and personal ministries. We require, therefore, that One Hope Canada personnel join in a commitment to believing and living out the Christian faith, according to New Testament biblical standards, in a manner consistent with the faith they believe and represent.

Consistent with the Christian beliefs of One Hope Canada, I agree—

1. To establish spiritual disciplines needed to maintain and promote a deep, intimate relationship with God through Jesus Christ.
2. To consistently attend a local church whose beliefs are consistent with One Hope Canada’s statement of faith, when it is possible.
3. To maintain healthy relationships with family and friends. Even if a relationship is broken and resolution appears impossible, I will fulfill my obligations to the other person(s), including legal responsibilities (i.e., paying child support, alimony, and debts).
4. To express my commitment to the mission of this organization through honouring and serving One Hope Canada personnel and its clients with love and respect and without reservation or discrimination.
5. To recognize the inherent value—from conception to natural death—of every person, believing them to be made in the image of God, designed and gendered according to their biological sex, and created to do good works.
6. To abstain from—and not encourage—behaviour contrary to biblical principles, including but not limited to:
  - a. the use and possession of illicit or non-prescription intoxicating drugs
  - b. the abuse of alcohol
  - c. reading or viewing pornographic materials
  - d. sexual intimacy outside of the sacred bond of marriage between one man and one woman
  - e. harassment, physical aggression, sexual assault or other abusive behaviour
  - f. criminal activity
7. To be a careful, responsible steward of the environment, including One Hope Canada property.

I have read and agree with One Hope Canada’s Abbreviated Statement of Faith and Code of Christian Conduct. I acknowledge that failure to adhere to either is grounds for immediate dismissal.

Printed Name

Signature

Date

Ministry Point Name