

Statement of Faith

EMMAUS is a non-sectarian community of faith that works with all people to end exploitation for all mankind regardless of race, religion, creed or any other status.

As a faith community, EMMAUS's core of full-time staff intentionally draw strength and unity from their common commitment to the teachings of Jesus Christ as summarized by the historic church in the Nicene Creed, regular prayer and spiritual disciplines, and from honoring one another's differences in theology and practice outside of our shared beliefs.

Accordingly, EMMAUS team members seek colleagues who embrace and contribute to the spiritual community through shared Christian conviction and practice. As Mother Theresa did in Kolkata, EMMAUS seeks to provide a common platform for all people of good will to serve the needy, while also building a core community who share her fundamental convictions of Christian faith and practice.

Accordingly, EMMAUS asks applicants seeking to join EMMAUS's core community of full-time staff to submit a Statement of Faith describing their Christian faith and its relevance to their interest in serving with EMMAUS. It is generally helpful for an applicant to provide insight into his/her own journey of faith and as well as current spiritual disciplines. As with any such community of faith, SEC. 2000e-1 [Section 702] of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 makes provision for employment along lines of shared religious convictions.

Nicene Creed

(Note that the word "catholic" is not an exclusive reference to the Roman Catholic Church, but instead speaks the universal church of the Lord Jesus Christ.)

*WE BELIEVE in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come
Amen.*