

The following is the foundation of beliefs on which Shine the Light Ministries is based. They are also the key elements of Christianity that will be unapologetically employed when screening and developing schools, curriculum, organizations and individuals for strategic partnership opportunities, whose content shall not violate these principles. The substance of these statements is that which will be considered primary doctrine and will serve as declarations that all board members and employees of Shine the Light Ministries must adhere to.

1. We believe the Holy Bible, containing sixty-six books of the Old and New Testament, to be the only inspired, inerrant, authoritative Word of God, profitable for teaching, correcting, and training in righteousness. We do not adhere to nor endorse any specific version but accept them as translations of the accurate and authentic original texts. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)
2. We believe that there is one God, creator of all things, eternally existent in three Persons: The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Genesis 1:1; John 1:1-4, 4:24; 1 John 5:7-8)
3. We believe in the deity of the Lord, Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, His fulfillment of prophecy, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection in His ascension to the right hand of the Father and in His personal, visible return in power and glory (Matthew 1:18, 12:17, 26:56, 28:6; Luke 21:22,27; John 10:30; Romans 3:25, 8:34; Hebrews 4:15)
4. We believe that all are sinful and in need of salvation which is a free gift that comes through belief in the deity of Jesus Christ alone, by grace through faith, but that faith without works is dead. (Romans 3:23, 6:23; John 14:6; Ephesians 2:8; James 2:17)
5. We believe in the resurrection of the believers to eternal life, and the resurrection of the unbelievers to eternal destruction. (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17; 2 Thessalonians 1:9-10)
6. We believe that for the salvation of all lost and sinful men, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is necessary. (John 3:3-8; 2 Corinthians 5:16-17)
7. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit, by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life (Galatians 5:16, 22-23)
8. We believe that the term marriage has only one meaning: the uniting of one man and one woman in a single, exclusive union as defined in Scripture. (Genesis 2:18-25)
9. We believe God intends sexual intimacy to occur only between a married man and woman and that there is to be no sexual intimacy outside of or apart from that union. (1 Corinthians 6:18, 7:2-5; Hebrews 13:4)
10. We believe that God immutably and intentionally created each individual as male or female only, and that the natural characteristics of these two distinct genders reflect the image and nature of God. (Genesis 1:26-27; Psalm 139: 13-16)
11. We believe in the authority and governance of the ten commandments set forth in Exodus as well as the two commandments given by Jesus on which all the Law and the Prophets depend. (Exodus 20:1-17; Matthew 22:34-40)
12. We believe in the Great Commission as our assignment as disciples of Jesus Christ. (Matthew 28:19)