

Gabriel Network Statement of Principles

All staff and volunteers agree to uphold these principles while they are serving as part of Gabriel Network:

Faith: We acknowledge Jesus Christ as Lord. Our loving service is inspired by His witness and teaching.

Christian Unity: We value Christian unity and work to achieve it by embracing a common mission, despite doctrinal differences.

Evangelism: We are dedicated to demonstrating and proclaiming the saving love of Jesus Christ through the witness of our lives, our words, and our actions.

Respect: We recognize the dignity of each person we serve and those with whom we serve. We embrace a charitable spirit of invitation, and we reject any effort to proselytize or force our beliefs on anyone. We lovingly serve women who practice any religion or no religion.

Diversity: We see ethnic and cultural heritage as a gift to be celebrated.

Trust: We acknowledge the need for honesty between those who serve and those who are served.

Confidentiality: We take great care when entrusted with sensitive information.

Quality of Service: We respond with a timeliness and care that shows our respect for those we serve and those with whom we partner.

Stewardship: We trust in the generosity of our donors, and we are trustworthy and prudent in creatively putting their gifts to the service of others.

Parenthood: We affirm that parenthood belongs within the marriage of a man and woman, yet we acknowledge that single motherhood is often a valiant response to monumental challenges and deserving of our great respect.

Adoption: We recognize that adoption is a heroic and selfless gift from a mother to her child. As adopted children of our Heavenly Father, we are committed to sharing the benefits and joys of adoption when appropriate.

Sexual Integrity: We uphold that sexual intimacy is reserved for marriage between husband and wife for the sake of their unity and for the procreation of children. We promote a vision of sexual purity and chaste relationships. We do not embrace a contraceptive approach when offering care and guidance.

The Gift of Human Life: We rejoice in the gift of each child from his or her very beginnings. We will never promote abortion, which destroys that child and wounds the mother, father, and family. Through our service, we hope to show God's love in such a way that every mother welcomes her child.

Sex and Gender: "God created man in his own image . . . male and female He created them." We believe that God created every person in his image, male or female, and that everyone is called to live in accord with their God-given sex.

Forgiveness: We believe in a forgiving God, and we bring that spirit of forgiveness to all our relationships. We acknowledge our need for forgiveness when we fail.

Hope: We trust in God's providence and acknowledge that each new day provides a chance for a new beginning.

Signature

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Date

Name of Church