

GEARY BAPTIST CHURCH INC.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSES (Copied from GBC Constitution and Bylaws)

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The purposes of GBC, based on Christ's teaching in the New Testament are:

- 1. Discipleship GBC shall provide opportunity and guidance as all Christians continue their spiritual growth (2 Timothy 3:16-17; 4:2; Matthew 18:15-17; 28:20 and Hebrews 6:1-3)
- 2. Evangelism GBC shall make God's Word (the Bible) known with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, both at home and abroad as its commitment to the Great Commission. (Matthew 28:18-19; Acts 1:8)
- 3. Worship GBC shall provide opportunities for its members to show love for God through various forms of worship including, preaching, teaching, singing, testimony, praying, giving, baptism and communion. (Matthew 4:10; John 4:23-24, Hebrews 13:15 and Acts 2:47)
- 4. Ministry GBC will encourage members to demonstrate God's love in all that we say and do. Each of us has a spiritual gift from God that should be used. (John 13:34-35; Matthew 25:34-40; Hebrews 13:16)
- 5. Fellowship GBC shall provide and facilitate opportunities for fellowship for its members and others of like faith so that we may encourage and edify one another. (1 Thessalonians 5:11; Hebrews 10:25);

All of which give rise to our Church motto of "We shall follow Jesus". (Micah 4:5b)

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