



**DoorWays**<sup>®</sup>  
MINISTRY NETWORK

# Purpose, Doctrines, and Standards of Conduct

## **PURPOSE STATEMENT**

Our purpose is to recognize and affirm the call of God to ministry, missions, and global evangelism while encouraging and equipping the called to stir and pursue God's calling.

We will provide community wherein members can learn, teach, and help one another be sharpened in their call to ministry, and to be consistent and effective ministers who honor God and advance His kingdom.

## **FUNDAMENTAL DOCTRINAL STATEMENT\***

**We believe the Bible to be the inspired, infallible, and authoritative Word of God.**

**We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

**We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, 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 return in power and glory.**

**We believe that for the salvation of lost and sinful people, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential.** He provides the Christian with guidance, power for living, and understanding of spiritual truth.

**We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit, by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life.**

**We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost;** they that are saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation.

**We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ.**

*\*Adapted from the Statement of Faith of the National Association of Evangelicals*

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## **STANDARDS OF MINISTRY CONDUCT AND PRACTICE**

*Though not an exhaustive account of ministerial ethics or integrity, the following standards provide a guide for us to follow. We hold to Scripture as the ultimate authority of proper conduct and practice and ask the Holy Spirit to illuminate our hearts and minds to truth as we represent Jesus Christ and the Kingdom of God to all mankind.*

Acknowledging that we are redeemed by the blood of Jesus Christ, and our sins are forgiven in keeping with the riches of God's grace lavished upon us, credentialed ministers of the DoorWays<sup>®</sup> Ministry Network (DMN) will lead with the same mercy and grace that has been extended to them (Eph. 1:7-8).

All humankind is made in the image of God who is without discrimination. Therefore, DMN credentialed ministers will value ethnic, racial, and cultural diversity and are encouraged to enjoy community with Christ-followers from other backgrounds (Rev. 7:9).

DMN credentialed ministers regard gender as a gift from God and embrace the roles and privileges for which God has created men and women (Gen. 1:27).

Life is sacred and DMN credentialed ministers believe in protecting the vulnerable of all ages (Psa. 139:13-16, Lev. 19:32, Jam. 1:27).

Marriage between one man and one woman is ordained by God. DMN credentialed ministers adhere to and celebrate God's design for marriage and the intimacy of sexual relationships between a husband and wife. Therefore, we do not condone sexual activity prior to marriage or adulterous relationships within the bond of marriage (Gen. 2:24, Heb. 13:4).

The illegal use of drugs and excessive use of alcoholic beverages are not in keeping with biblical standards assumed of DMN credentialed ministers (1 Tim. 3:1-7).

DMN recognizes that governments are established by God and no authority exists apart from what God has established (Rom. 13:1). We declare loyalty to our government and to its chief executive, and we do hereby state our intent to assist in every way morally possible and consistent with our faith (Acts 5:27-32). Nonetheless, while DMN credentialed ministers may have strongly held or conflicting political viewpoints, DMN is not affiliated with any political party and will not endorse or promote political parties, candidates, or agendas.