

**OBJECTIVE:** To provide opportunities for veterinarians, technicians and vet students to use their skills, faith and abilities in Christian service alongside national leaders and missionaries in ministries with similar values, partnering with them in the long-term goals and vision for their communities. *To be considered for service, participants must support the following mission statements and agree with the doctrinal statement.*

**MISSION STATEMENTS:**

**CVM's mission** is to challenge, empower, and facilitate veterinarians to serve others through their profession, living out their Christian faith. CVM also provides education and encouragement for those who desire to minister through service, prayer, relationship building, and modeling Christ's love.

**DOCTRINAL STATEMENT:**

1. We believe in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament as verbally inspired by God, and inerrant in the original writings, and that they are of supreme and final authority in faith and life.
  - ◇ 2 Timothy 3:16-17 – All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.
  - ◇ Romans 15:4 – For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.
  
2. We believe in one God, eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
  - ◇ Mark 1:10-11 – As Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: “You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.”
  - ◇ 2 Cor. 3:17 – Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.
  - ◇ Eph. 4:4-6 – There is one body and one Spirit – just as you were called to one hope when you were called – one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.
  
3. We believe that Jesus Christ was begotten by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary, and is true God and true man.
  - ◇ John 1:14 – The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.
  - ◇ Luke 1:35 – The angel answered, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.”
  
4. We believe that man was created in the image of God; that he sinned, and thereby incurred, not only physical death, but also that spiritual death which is separation from God; and that all human beings are born with a sinful nature.
  - ◇ Romans 5:12 – Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, because all sinned.
  - ◇ Romans 3:23 – For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.
  - ◇ Romans 6:23 – For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
  
5. We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, as a representative and substitutionary sacrifice; and all that truly repent of their sins and believe in Him are justified on the grounds of His shed blood.
  - ◇ Romans 5:8 – But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
  - ◇ Romans 3:25a – God presented him [Jesus] as a sacrifice of atonement through faith in his blood.
  - ◇ Isaiah 53:6 – We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.
  
6. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a Godly life.

- ◇ John 16:13a – But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth.
- ◇ Romans 8:9 – You, however, are controlled not by the sinful nature but by the Spirit, if the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ.

7. We believe in the resurrection of the crucified body of our Lord, and His ascension into heaven and in His present life there for us, as High Priest and Advocate.

- ◇ I Cor. 15:3 -- ...that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Peter and then to the Twelve.
- ◇ Romans 8:34 – Who is he that condemns? Christ Jesus, who died – more than that, who was raised to life – is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.

8. We believe in that blessed hope, the personal, bodily return of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

- ◇ 1 Thess. 4:16-17 – For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever.

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