

**CONSTITUTION OF**  
**CAMPUS BIBLE FELLOWSHIP**  
**AT WRIGHT STATE UNIVERSITY**  
**Fairborn, Ohio**

**ARTICLE I      NAME**

The name of this organization shall be Campus Bible Fellowship at Wright State University, Fairborn, Ohio. This will be the special name and acronym used to refer to our group on and off campus and among other organizations.

**ARTICLE II      PURPOSE**

The purpose of CBF is to provide a fellowship, organized by students at Wright State University to encourage the understanding of the historic Christian faith through 1) Bible study, 2) discussion, 3) social interaction, 4) prayer, and 5) providing a link to the local church.

**ARTICLE III      MEMBERSHIP**

**Section 1: General Membership**

All meetings and activities of CBF are open to students, faculty and staff. Anyone who desires to participate in the meetings and activities may become a general member.

**Section 2: Voting Membership**

A. Voting privilege Voting membership in this organization shall be limited to students, faculty and staff who have accepted Jesus Christ as their personal Savior, who subscribe without reservation to the organization's Articles of Faith (Article 7), and must have been in attendance at six regular meetings during a semester.

B. Unbecoming behavior Voting members who exhibit behavior unbecoming of a Christian will be dropped from voting membership until the behavior is corrected.

C. Withdrawal of membership Any member of CBF can, at any time, voluntarily withdraw his/her membership from this student organization.

D. Nondiscrimination Campus Bible Fellowship agrees to comply with Wright State's regulations prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, age, sexual orientation, physical or mental ability or disability, veteran status, or military status, except to the extent that such regulations are in conflict with the Constitution of the United States and with the laws of the State of Ohio.

## **ARTICLE III     COMMITTEES**

### **Section I:   Executive Committee**

This committee shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, Historian, Student Government Representative and Alternate Representative (when needed). The aforementioned students are required to be in sincere agreement with the Articles of Faith and to be in fellowship with local churches of like faith and order as represented by the CBF Xenia Area Liaison Committee.

**A.     President:** The President shall be the official representative of the Campus Bible Fellowship group on this campus. His/her duties shall include presiding over regular meetings, appointing special committees (after consultation with the Executive Committee), and shall serve as a non-voting member of the CBF Xenia Area Liaison Committee.

**B.     Vice-President:** The Vice-President shall act as President in the absence of the president. He/she shall also be in charge of organization activities and promotion.

**C.     Secretary-Treasurer:** The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep a record of the minutes of all regular meetings, all Executive Committee meetings and all special committee meetings. He/she shall also be in charge of all organization funds and shall handle all organization correspondence.

**D.     Historian:** The Historian shall be in charge of the group's records: attendance, membership rolls, and journal (scrap book of organization activities, articles, photographs, etc.).

**E.     Student Government Representative and Alternate:** When required by the Wright State University Student Government, The Student Government Representative and Alternate shall be responsible to represent the Campus Bible Fellowship group at regularly scheduled Student Government meetings. When possible, these positions shall be filled from among the previously described officers; in all cases, no binding decisions / commitments shall be made by these representatives without the consent of the full Executive Committee.

### **Section II:   Nominating Committee**

This Committee shall consist of the existing Executive Committee, the Baptist Mid-Missions staff member(s) of CBF, and a member of the CBF Xenia Area Liaison Committee. This committee shall make a list of the candidates qualified for election and who have agreed to serve if selected to the Executive Committee. A majority vote is required for election. The term of office shall be one academic year. Elections for the upcoming year shall be held near the end of Spring quarter at a meeting to be announced two weeks in advance.

### **Section III:   Special Committees**

Special committees may be appointed when needed, by the President, after consultation with the Executive Committee.

#### **Section IV: Xenia Area Liaison Committee**

This committee shall consist of a group of interested Christians designated by area fundamental Baptist churches and shall assist in the spiritual development of the group.

#### **ARTICLE IV MEETINGS**

##### **Section I: Regular Meetings**

The regular meetings of Campus Bible Fellowship will be held weekly during the academic year at a time and place to be announced. Meetings are open to all students, faculty, staff and guests.

##### **Section II: Special Meetings**

Special meetings of the Executive Committee or the CBF student group may be scheduled as deemed necessary by the President, a member of the Baptist Mid-Missions staff or the CBF Xenia Area Liaison Committee Chairman, providing the purpose of the meeting is well within CBF's stated purposes.

#### **ARTICLE V FINANCES**

**Section I:** Free will offerings will be received for expenses.

**Section II:** There will be no special assessments or dues.

**Section III:** It shall not be the policy of the Campus Bible Fellowship group to accept any funds which might be made available through the administration or Student Government of Wright State University, or from any other public source which is tax-supported.

#### **ARTICLE VI ADOPTION**

This constitution shall be adopted upon receiving a two-thirds vote of approval by the existing qualified membership.

#### **ARTICLE VII QUORUM**

A quorum for committee and group business meetings shall be a majority of the existing qualified members.

#### **ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENTS**

Amendments may be made to this constitution providing the amendments are approved by the Baptist Mid-Missions staff member(s) of CBF and the Xenia Area Liaison Committee, and subsequently receive a two-thirds vote of the qualified membership. A notice of such vote shall be posted two weeks in advance. By-laws may be added by the same procedure.

## **CAMPUS BIBLE FELLOWSHIP ARTICLES OF FAITH**

1. I believe that the sixty-six books of the Old and New Testaments are verbally inspired of God and inerrant in the original writing, and that they are of supreme and final authority in faith and life. (II Timothy 3:16-17; II Peter 1:19-21)
2. I believe in one God, eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, equal in essence, while distinct in personality and function. (Exodus 20:2-3; Matthew 28:19; I Corinthians 8:6)
3. I believe in God's direct creation of the universe, without the use of pre-existent material, and apart from any process of evolution whatever, according to the Genesis account. (Genesis 1:1-31; Exodus 20:11; Colossians 1:16-17; Hebrews 11:3)
4. I believe that Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God, was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of Mary, a virgin, and is true God and true man. (John 1:1, 14; Luke 1:35; Isaiah 7:14; Galatians 4:4)
5. I believe in the resurrection of the crucified body of our Lord, in His ascension into heaven, and in His present life there as High Priest and Advocate. (Matthew 28:1-7; Acts 1:8-11; I Corinthians 15:4-9; Hebrews 4:14-16)
6. I believe that the Holy Spirit is the agent of the new birth through conviction and regeneration, and that He seals, indwells and baptizes every believer into the Body of Christ at the moment of conversion. I believe that the Holy Spirit fills, empowers and distributes service gifts to believers, but that sign gifts were restricted to the Apostolic Period. (John 3:5; Ephesians 1:13; Romans 8:9; I Corinthians 12:13; Ephesians 5:18, 4:11-12; Romans 12:6-8; Hebrews 2:3-4; Ephesians 2:20; I Corinthians 13:8-13)
7. I 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, that all human beings are born with a sinful nature and are sinners in thought, word and deed. (Genesis 1:26-27, 3:1-6; Romans 5:12, 19, 3:10-13; Titus 1:15-16)
8. I believe that the Lord Jesus Christ died as the substitutionary sacrifice for all men. The blood atonement He made was unlimited in its potential. It is limited only in its application, effectively saving those who are brought by the Holy Spirit to repentance and faith. (Isaiah 53:4-11; II Corinthians 5:14-21; I John 2:1-2; II Peter 2:1; I Timothy 4:10; John 3:5-8, 16:8-13)

9. I believe that all who receive by faith the Lord Jesus Christ are born again of the Holy Spirit and thereby become children of God. (John 1:12-13, 3:3-16; Acts 16:31; Ephesians 2:8-9)
10. I believe in the eternal security of the believer, that it is impossible for one born into the family of God ever to be lost because he is forever kept by the power of God. (John 6:39-40, 10:28-29; Romans 8:35-39; Jude 1; I Peter 1:5)
11. I believe in “that blessed hope” – the personal, premillennial, pretribulational and imminent return of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, when the Church will be “gathered together unto Him.” (Titus 2:13; John 14:1-3; I Thessalonians 4:13-18; I Corinthians 15:51-58; II Thessalonians 2:1-3)
12. I believe in the literal fulfillment of the prophecies and promises of the Scriptures which foretell and assure the future regeneration and restoration of Israel as a nation. (Genesis 13:14-17; Jeremiah 16:14-15, 30:6-11; Romans 11)
13. I believe in the bodily resurrection of the just and the unjust, the everlasting blessedness of the saved, and the everlasting punishment of the lost. (Matthew 25:31-46; Luke 16:19-31; I Thessalonians 4:13-18; Revelation 21:1-8)
14. I believe that the Church which is Christ’s body, is the spiritual organism consisting of all born-again believers of this New Testament dispensation. (Ephesians 1:22-23; I Corinthians 12:13)
15. I believe that the local church is the agency through which God has chosen to accomplish His work in the world. A New Testament Baptist church is an organized body of baptized believers, immersed upon a credible confession of faith in Jesus Christ, having two offices (pastor and deacon), congregational in polity, autonomous in nature, and banded together for work, worship, edification, the observance of the ordinances, and the worldwide fulfillment of the Great Commission. I believe that the local church, under Christ’s headship, is to be free from any external hierarchy, and should not associate itself with any ecumenical endeavor, neo-orthodoxy, neo-evangelicalism, or any such efforts to compromise the Truth. (Acts 2:41-47; Ephesians 3:10; Matthew 28:18-20; I Timothy 3; I Peter 5:1-3; Ephesians 1:22; Romans 16:17; II Corinthians 6:14-17; I Timothy 6:3-5)
16. I believe that the scriptural ordinances of the church are baptism and the Lord’s supper and are to be administered by the local church; that baptism, by immersion, should be administered to believers only as a symbol of their belief in the death, burial and resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and as a testimony to the world of that belief and of their death, burial and resurrection with Him: and that the Lord’s supper should be partaken of by baptized believers to show forth His death, “till He come.” (Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 2:41-47, 8:26-39; I Corinthians 11:23-28; Colossians 2:12)

