

## Our Statement of Faith

We Believe in:

- The only true God, the almighty Creator of all things, existing eternally in three persons – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – full of love and glory.
- The unique divine inspiration, entire trustworthiness and authority of the Bible.
- The value and dignity of all people: created in God's image to live in love and holiness, but alienated from God and each other because of our sin and guilt, and justly subject to God's wrath.
- Jesus Christ, fully human and fully divine, who lived as a perfect example, who assumed the judgment due sinners by dying in our place, and who was bodily raised from the dead and ascended as Saviour and Lord.
- Justification by God's grace to all who repent and put their faith in Jesus Christ alone for salvation.
- The indwelling presence and transforming power of the Holy Spirit, who gives to all believers a new life and a new calling to obedient service.
- The unity of all believers in Jesus Christ, manifest in worshiping and witnessing churches making disciples throughout the world.
- The victorious reign and future personal return of Jesus Christ, who will judge all people with justice and mercy, giving over the unrepentant to eternal condemnation but receiving the redeemed into eternal life.

To God be glory forever.

## Our Mission Statement

InterVarsity inspires and equips emerging generations to **encounter** Jesus, **cultivate** Christ-centred faith, and **radiate** the transforming love of God in Canada and the world.

## Our Core Values

1. We **depend** on the Holy Spirit through Scripture, worship, and prayer to form our lives, guide our mission, and empower our work.
2. We **welcome** women and men of every culture and ethnicity to help shape and steward our ministry.
3. We **cultivate** healthy communities marked by grace, integrity, creativity, and fun, where people can grow and flourish as followers of Jesus Christ.
4. We **equip** children, youth, students, and graduates to be leaders and active participants in every area of our mission.

## Our Five Aims

1. **Discover Jesus:** Finding new life in Christ through witnessing communities
2. **Undivided Life:** Applying Scripture to our whole life.
3. **Growing Influence:** Nurturing character and purpose in young leaders.
4. **Integrated Thinking:** Engaging culture with faith.
5. **Global Engagement:** Partnering with God's people in His mission.

## **Our Community Covenant**

As a follower of Jesus and a member of the InterVarsity Community, I will do my best to:

- Submit my life to the triune God, seeking to grow in relationship with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit through spiritual disciplines such as worship, scripture and prayer, and in fellowship with believers in the wider Church.
- Live in alignment with our Statement of Faith
- Advance the Vision and Aims of InterVarsity as a means of sharing the good news of the Gospel.
- Provide the highest level of protection and care to every child, teenager and adult involved with our ministry, serving them in ways that are culturally and spiritually respectful, and appropriate to their age and maturity.
- Seek justice for all people regardless of ethnicity, culture, religion, gender and age, engaging graciously when encountering differing perspectives and beliefs.
- Live by Biblical standards in respect to ethical, moral and sexual practices.
- Grow in my capacity to express joy and sorrow, hope and discouragement, repentance and forgiveness, reconciliation and restoration.
- Seek guidance when struggling with beliefs or behaviours that are contrary to God's commandments and the way of Jesus, and request help when difficult seasons in life hinder my ability to carry out my responsibilities.
- Care for my body and mind, refraining from damaging activities, practicing moderation when using legal substances and abstaining from illegal substances.
- Carefully steward family, friendship, marriage, work, and community relationships, and creation.
- Express gratitude.