

## Preamble

We, the members of Crossroads Christian Fellowship of Spokane, Washington, purpose to be organized as closely as possible to the New Testament pattern of church life. As such, we recognize the Bible as our authority, guide, and true constitution. This constitution and bylaws, as written here, are not intended in any way to replace or to add to the Word of God (Rev. 22:18, 19). It is conceived for the following purposes:

- To state those fundamental and essential doctrines of the Christian faith that we believe ought never to be compromised;
- To define the nature of the church as a covenant community;
- To state our purpose and vision, mission and values as a church;
- To state the qualifications, privileges, and responsibilities of membership and leadership in this body;
- To facilitate orderliness, understanding, communication, and unity in the exercise of church ministries.

For these reasons this constitution and bylaws is intended to be an implementation of scripturally based principles, embracing the true meaning of God's Word.