



Good Samaritan Services

Restoring hope. Transforming lives.

Statement of Faith

As a Christian organization, the following theological beliefs are a foundation for our service to men, women and children experiencing homelessness:

We believe the Holy Bible to be the inspired and ultimately authoritative Word of God. We believe there is only one living, creator God, eternally existing as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

We believe that Jesus of Nazareth, came as deity as the Lord Jesus Christ, born of the virgin Mary, that humanity is redeemed by the shed blood of His atoning death on a cross, that He was bodily resurrected and ascended into Heaven, and that He will come again in power and great glory.

We believe that fallen (because of sin) humanity is brought back into relationship (salvation) with their Creator by and through a personal belief by faith in the risen Lord Jesus Christ's atoning death and resurrection. This salvation event we hold to be an experience, not simply a doctrinal supposition.

We believe that the on-going abiding ministry of the Holy Spirit, by whom Christ indwells each Believer, enables that person to live a godly new life of obedience as he/she continues to grow to spiritual maturity.

We believe the Holy Spirit unites all true Believers in the Lord Jesus Christ and that, together, all Believers form one body, the church.

Continuum of Care

Good Samaritan Services extends an invitation to everyone in need to receive help in the name of God's love and mercy. GSS provides a series of services - a continuum - with a beginning and an end. There are many steps and opportunities for care and assistance. The end point is self-sufficiency (with God's help), having successfully used our resources.

Statement of Purpose

It is the Purpose of GSS to help each individual seeking our assistance, and with God's help, to:

- Identify and understand their value and purpose
- Become a woman/man with higher esteem and productivity
- Become united with her/his family
- Become employed with gainful income
- Become a benefit to the community where she/he lives
- Become a member of a Christian community of faith

A CHRISTIAN ORGANIZATION

Good Samaritan Services is an inter-denominational, evangelical, Christian organization. Although its roots and early vision conceptions came out of one pastor and one congregation, it is not part of any one church or denomination. GSS operates in Chester and Lancaster Counties.

All who are in need are welcome, and we do not exclude anyone from assistance or discriminate on any basis. One does not need to be a Christian to receive help from GSS. There is no religious requirement to receive meals, a bed in the emergency shelter, referrals from a staff member, or any other services offered. We do not require people to become Christians. We will share God's love with all peoples, and demonstrate our obedience to His commandments, teachings and values.