

UNITE GUILFORD JAIL MINISTRY STATEMENT OF FAITH

The Scriptures: We believe that “all Scripture is given by inspiration of God,” by which we understand that the whole Bible is inspired in that holy men of God were “moved by the Holy Spirit” to write the very words of God. We believe that this divine inspiration extends equally to all parts of the writings as they appeared in the original manuscripts.

The Godhead: We believe that the Godhead eternally exists in three Persons – The Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit – and that these three are one God; co-equal and co-existent.

Man: We believe that man was originally created in innocence and that he fell through sin and, as a consequence of his sin, lost his spiritual life, becoming dead in trespasses and sins.

Christ’s Advent: We believe that the eternal Son of God came into this world that He might manifest God to men, fulfill prophecy, and become the Redeemer of a lost world. He was born of a virgin, conceived by the Holy Spirit, received a human body and a sinless human nature.

Salvation: We believe that, owing to death through sin, no one can enter the Kingdom of God unless born again. This redemption has been accomplished solely by the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who was made to be sin, dying in our stead, and that he was bodily and physically raised from the dead for our justification. We believe that the new birth of the believer is an act of God the Spirit and comes only through individual faith in Christ.

The Holy Spirit: We believe that the Holy Spirit, the Third Person of the blessed Trinity, though omnipresent from all eternity, indwells every believer since the day of Pentecost, and by His baptism unites all of Christ’s own into one body. He is the source of all power and all acceptable worship and service.

The Church: We believe that God has ordained that through the local church the Gospel of Jesus Christ is to be spread and that it is the duty of everyone who is born again, to seek out a local fellowship for the furtherance of the Gospel and his own edification.

We believe in the literal resurrection of the body, the everlasting blessedness of the saved and the everlasting punishment of the lost. We believe that the supreme mission of God’s people in this age is to preach the Gospel to every creature, and we believe in the second coming of Christ according to the Scriptures.

UNITE GUILFORD JAIL MINISTRY HISTORY

The Guilford County Jail Ministry has had Chaplains serving the Guilford County Sheriff's Department in the Greensboro Jail for over 20 years. Initially formed March 18, 2005 as Guilford County Jail Ministries, Inc., the name changed in February, 2018 to Unite Greensboro Jail Ministry, Inc. As the need for chaplaincy expanded, the decision was made May 3, 2021 to change the name to Unite Guilford Jail Ministry, Inc. Through the support of past Guilford County Sheriff's, we have been able to continue in our service to those who are incarcerated, Sheriff's office employees, and the community at large.

One church, Friendly Avenue Baptist, stands out as the catalyst to the beginning of a vibrant volunteer minister, which reached 100+ prior to COVID in 2020, when volunteers were no longer allowed to enter the facility. This group of men committed to leading Bible studies at the Greensboro Jail every Saturday morning.

Chaplain Reginald Cook was the ministry's first Chaplain. Funding for the Chaplain was provided by the Piedmont Baptist Association, Larry Doyle, Executive Director. He was dedicated to providing spiritual and material needs to the men and women incarcerated in the Greensboro Jail. Chaplain Cook retired in 2014.

Prior to Chaplain Cook's retirement, the Piedmont Baptist Association, because of lack of funding, could not continue support of the Chaplaincy Program. This was brought to the attention of Edward Malone, a volunteer at the Greensboro Jail and member of the Friendly Avenue Baptist Church's jail ministry team. He contacted Sheriff Barnes and arranged a meeting with him, Larry Doyle, Executive Director, of the Piedmont Baptist Association and Ed Malone. In 2012, the three individuals agreed to form a non-denominational 501C3 non-profit ministry named at that time Guilford County Jail Ministry, Inc. Ed and Dean Malone agreed to guarantee the funding of the ministry until funds could be raised from local businesspeople and churches. In a few weeks, the ministry had commitments from ten businesspeople and churches to contribute at the level of \$6,000 a year which covered total costs of the ministry at that time.

In 2012, Brian Burke was hired as an assistant chaplain to Chaplain Cook. After Chaplain Cook's retirement in 2014, Brian Burke was hired as the Chaplain at the Greensboro Jail.

In 2012, the new Greensboro Detention Center opened at 201 S. Edgeworth Street, Greensboro, NC. Ministry staff were relocated to the new facility.

In 2016, the ministry hired a part time Administrative Assistant, Delane Johnson, to assist the Chaplain and the Board with fund raising efforts. The name of the ministry was changed to UNITE Greensboro Jail Ministry on December 13, 2017.

In 2020, Sheriff Rogers requested that UNITE Greensboro Jail Ministry extend its services to include the High Point Jail and to hire a chaplain to serve the High Point Jail. The County requested the same services that were being provided to Greensboro be offered to High Point. The UNITE Greensboro Jail Ministry board of directors unanimously agreed to the request,

entered an agreement with the County and to foster inclusion, changed the name of the ministry to UNITE Guilford Jail Ministry. The Non-Denominational Chaplaincy Services Agreement (Greensboro and High Point Jails) between Guilford County and UNITE Guilford Jail Ministry, Inc. was executed and signed with an effective date of October 1, 2020. April 1, 2020, George Steele was hired as Chaplain to serve the High Point Jail.

In 2021 Brian Burke, Greensboro Jail Chaplain presented to the ministry Board a proposed new structure regarding personnel of the ministry. This new structure was approved by the board of directors: Executive Director/Head of Chaplains, Brian Burke, Part-Time; Greensboro Chaplain, Jonathan Solomon Full Time; High Point Chaplain, George Steele Full Time; Administrative Assistant Part-Time, Delane Johnson and Bookkeeper Part-Time, Christine Ciaccio

In 2023, Jonathan Solomon, Chaplain of the Greensboro Jail submitted his resignation to the UNITE Guilford Jail Ministry effective December 31, 2023. His resignation was accepted by the board of directors. The Board conducted a search for a replacement chaplain and identified a chaplain candidate, Michael Lewis, for consideration by Sheriff Danny Rogers.

James Handley, UNITE Guilford Jail Ministry Board Chair, is scheduled to introduce Michael Lewis to Sheriff Rogers on March 11. Pending approval of the County, Michael Lewis is prepared to start serving as Chaplain of Greensboro Central.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date:

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20-2669875
DLN:
17053268315007
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Accounting Period Ending:
December 31
Public Charity Status:
170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
Form 990/990-EZ/990-N Required:
Yes
Effective Date of Exemption:
May 15, 2012
Contribution Deductibility:
Yes
Addendum Applies:
No

Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

Based on the information you submitted in your application, we approved your request for reinstatement under Revenue Procedure 2014-11. Your effective date of exemption, as listed at the top of this letter, is retroactive to your date of revocation.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar

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to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

Sincerely,

Stephen A. McLean

Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements