

#### **Our Purpose**

- To worship God regularly.
- To evangelize by extending the Gospel at home and abroad, leading others to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and to provide for the nurture of that faith that all might grow in sacrifice and sanctification.
- To promote true religion in the home.
- To provide for the nurture of its members, to promote the welfare of the whole Church, to provide the sacraments, to teach the faith, to observe special days, including times of prayer and fasting, and to otherwise further its common life together.

# **Recognized Creed and Form of Worship**

We are committed to the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds of the church. Moments of Hope Church has a generally contemporary form of worship including: hymns, spiritual songs, prayers, sermons, and confessions of faith.

#### **Ecclesiastical Government**

We are Elder – led. Deacons are selected to care for the needy.

#### Formal Code of Doctrine and Discipline

Moments of Hope Church doctrine is committed to the Lausanne Covenant of 1979, an evangelical, orthodox, and Christian statement of faith used by thousands of Christian churches worldwide. Moments of Hope Church will practice discipline as outlined by Jesus in Matthew 18:15-17.

# **Distinct Religious History**

Moments of Hope Church was formed as a church plant in Charlotte, North Carolina in March 2019.

# Membership

Moments of Hope Church membership will occur through classes that inform of mission, vision, and commitment from its members. Moments of hope Church is an independent, nondenominational church.

# **Established Places of Worship**

Moments of Hope Church worships every Sunday at Alexander Graham Middle School in Charlotte, North Carolina. Two services are offered at 9 AM and 11 AM.

# **Sunday School**

Sunday school will occur weekly on campus for the purpose of religious instruction of the young and old alike. Life groups may be offered during the week for community and further discipleship.

# **Ordination of Ordained Ministers**

Ordination at Moments of Hope Church demands a degree from an accredited seminary or proof of an equivalent knowledge of what is needed to be an ordained minister of the gospel. Those considered for ordination will be required to pass exams designed to confirm workable knowledge of Christian orthodoxy and doctrine.

#### **Schools for Preparation**

Accredited Christian seminaries and Bible colleges will be used for preparation and ordination of those serving in Moments of Hope Church. There will be opportunities for internal discipleship growth and continuing education.