

Nurses Christian Fellowship By-Laws *(Established 6/2007)*

Article I NAME

The name of this organization is the Nurses Christian Fellowship of Watts School of Nursing Chapter of Nurses Christian Fellowship, affiliated with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship/USA, hereafter to refer to as NCF.

Article II DOCTRINAL BASIS

Section 1. The Basis of Faith of this organization will be the basic Biblical truths of Christianity.

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.

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 Savior 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 worshipping 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 to eternal life.

To God be glory Forever.

Section 2. All officers of this organization and leaders of Bible study groups and devotions must subscribe to the above basis of faith.

Article III. PURPOSE STATEMENT

In response to God's love, grace and truth: the purpose of NCF, as a ministry of InterVarsity Christian Fellowship/USA is to establish and advance nursing within education and practice, grow witnessing communities of nursing students and nurses who follow Jesus as Savior and Lord, and foster growth in Love – for God, God's word, God's people of every ethnicity and culture, and God's purposes in the Word.

Article IV. MEMBERSHIP AND PARTICIPATION

Membership in this organization is open to all students and faculty members who are currently walking in faith with Jesus Christ and/or who have a desire or interest in knowing Him. Participation in meetings and any other events is open to all WSON students and faculty regardless of creed.

Article V. LEADERSHIP

Section 1. The leadership of this organization will consist of an executive committee including all officers, the faculty advisor, and any other leaders the group may desire. Leadership positions shall include a President, Vice President, and a Class Representative from each of the four classes. All leadership positions are to be elected on a bi-annual/semester basis.

Section 2. Only those persons committed to the Basis of Faith and the Purpose of this organization are eligible for leadership positions.

Section 3. The responsibilities of the leadership of this chapter are:

- a) To carry out the purpose, general policies, and program of this organization
- b) To call a bi-annual meeting for selection of new leadership and to evaluate the various activities of the previous semester.
- c) To be responsible for the continuance of this organization from semester to semester.

Article VI. MEETINGS

Section 1. Meetings for Bible study and prayer will be held at times selected by the members and advisor. Bible study meetings will be held a minimum of once a month and devotions daily 10 minutes prior to class/clinical time.

Section 2. Other meetings for the discussion and presentations of matters pertaining to the life and purpose of the organization will be held as occasion warrants.

Article VII. SELECTION OF LEADERSHIP

Section 1. The nominating committee will consist of the executive committee.

Section 2. The nominating committee will receive recommendations for new leaders from members of the chapter.

Section 3. The nominating committee will be responsible to see that all prospective leaders subscribe to the organization's doctrinal basis and purpose statement as stated in articles II and III.

Section 4. New leaders will be elected on a bi-annual basis by the organization for a term of 1 semester.

Article VIII. CONSTITUTION AND AMMENDMENTS

Section 1. This constitution will be adopted with a general consensus of the leadership of the organization.

Section 2. This constitution may be amended by general consensus of the leadership of the organization providing that no change is made in article II and article III.

Section 3. Amendments to this constitution will not become valid until copy of said amendment has been placed in the offices of the Director of Watts School of Nursing and Chapter Faculty Advisor and with the NCF National Office, PO Box 7895, Madison, WI, 53707-7895.