



# Elizabeth Ministry International™

## Statement of Values

### Statement of Faith

We are a Christian organization operating with a Roman Catholic outlook and an ecumenical outreach.

### Operate with Integrity

In all that we do, we will maintain the highest level of integrity, respecting the will of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. We are committed to excellence and to maintaining the public trust, and to complying with not only applicable laws and regulations but their intent. We will strive for a culture of openness in the management our resources.

### Respect Diversity

With an ecumenical outreach, we respect pluralism and differences. Specifically, we are one human family, whatever our national, racial, ethnic, economic, denominational and ideological differences. No person or group will be excluded unfairly from the mission of Elizabeth Ministry, International.

### Respect the Dignity of All Individuals

We respect and promote the dignity and worth of all individuals, in all stages of life. The dignity of each person is the foundation of a moral vision for society.

### Respect the Right to Life and Human Decency

All people have a fundamental right to life and a right to those things required for human decency. Corresponding to these rights are duties and responsibilities – to one another, to our families, and to the larger society.

### Share the Sacredness of Life

Following the example of Mary and Elizabeth, we visit and share in the sacredness of life. We celebrate, respect, and reverence life before, during and after conception until natural death and beyond. We strive to care for, welcome, and affirm life and the dignity and worth of all individuals, in all interactions with those involved with, participating in, or relating to Elizabeth Ministry.

### Be Good Stewards of all Resources

We will be practical and careful stewards of all Elizabeth Ministry, International resources. We will at all times endeavor to provide valuable, affordable services and resources in accordance with our mission. We will operate without incurring debt. We will put the needs of the poor and the vulnerable first.

### Build Understanding through Compassionate Education and Modeled Behavior

We believe that the best way to pursue our mission is by building knowledge and understanding of our values through education and encouragement, while exhibiting God's love through compassion and empathy for individual circumstances. We participate in educational and service opportunities, and strive to have an active prayer life. We witness to our faith and these shared values in the ways that we live each day.