

Statement of River of Life Christian Church
Concerning Social Justice

1) *Value of Life*

We believe all human beings are created by God and bear the image of Him. Thus every life is valuable and dignified regardless of ethnic origins. (Genesis 1:26-27; Psalms 139:13~16)

2) *Equality is Promoted and Diversity is Recognized*

We recognize the diversity of our society and believe everyone should be treated equally without discrimination including individual's ethnicity or cultural affinity. (Acts 17:26; Romans 12:10; Galatians 3:28; Colossians 3:11)

3) *Justice for All by Means of Peaceful Process*

We believe the idea that justice is for every individual and the process to achieve it should be democratic and peaceful. Thus we are against any form of brutality and forceful overthrow of the governing system. Furthermore, we are against any destruction, violence, looting, vandalism and other criminal acts committed in the name of justice. (Deuteronomy 10:17; 2 Chronicles 19:7; Romans 13:1)

4) *Church and Personal Involvement in Political Affairs*

We believe the Church is a spiritual entity and therefore should not take part in political affairs with the exception of which prohibits the free exercise of worship and related activities. We may promote and/or participate in any non-political organizations and their campaigns which align with the values our church stands for. (John 18:36; Acts 5:29)

We also recognize our church members may take part in public affairs based on their political view and affiliation. We strongly urge our church members to make prudent choices that are more in line with the Biblical teaching and value; and to understand the agendas of each political movement comprehensively before they participate in it. (Isaiah 11:2~3; Romans 13:1~7; 1 Timothy 2:1~3)