

WE'RE AN EVANGELICAL MOVEMENT

As a fellowship we fall within a branch of Christianity that has been labelled "Evangelical". In other words we have a strong commitment to the gospel and we hold to the following beliefs:

- a. The unity of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit in the Godhead.
- b. The sovereignty of God in creation, revelation, redemption and final judgement.
- c. The divine inspiration and entire trustworthiness of Holy Scriptures, as originally given, and its supreme authority in all matters of faith and conduct.
- d. The universal sinfulness and guilt of all men since the fall, rendering them subject to God's wrath and condemnation.
- e. Redemption from the guilt, penalty and power of sin through the sacrificial death (as our representative and substitute) of Jesus Christ only, the Incarnate Son of God.
- f. The bodily resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ from the dead and His ascension to the right hand of God the Father.
- g. The presence and power of the Holy Spirit in the work of regeneration.
- h. The justification of the sinner by the grace of God through faith alone.
- i. The indwelling work of the Holy Spirit in the believer.
- j. The one Holy Universal Church which is the body of Christ and to which all true believers belong.
- k. The expectation of the personal return of the Lord Jesus Christ.

This "Statement of Faith" represents our core beliefs.

WE'RE PART OF A BIGGER MOVEMENT

The Scripture Union began publishing devotional guides in Jamaica in the 1920's. In the late 1940's with the help of InterVarsity Christian Fellowship of Canada student groups began meeting at six High Schools in Kingston and at the University College of the West Indies. In 1980 these two movements were formally merged and S.C.F.S.U. was born. S.C.F.S.U. is a completely self governing organization with a Board of Directors and a few salaried staff.

We are affiliated with Scripture Union International and with International Fellowship of Evangelical Students. Scripture Union International has affiliates in over 90 countries and the I.F.E.S. has affiliates in over 120 countries worldwide.

WE'RE A VOLUNTEER SUPPORTED MOVEMENT

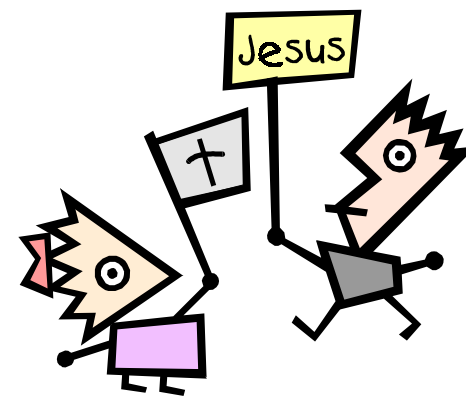
S.C.F.S.U. is a registered charitable organisation and is funded by gifts from the Christian community.

We are primarily a volunteer movement. You can be involved in this ministry by:

- ❖ praying for us
- ❖ becoming a member of our financial support group, Club 500
- ❖ becoming an I.S.C.F. sponsor
- ❖ becoming an I.S.C.F. mentor
- ❖ becoming a U.C.C.F. volunteer staffworker
- ❖ assisting with special activities, camps, conferences etc.

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disciplining STUDENTS

We're three movements in one

Students' Christian Fellowship and Scripture Union has three main ministries:

- ❖ **U.C.C.F.** (Universities and Colleges Christian Fellowship), a tertiary school ministry with over 700 students involved on over 20 campuses islandwide.
- ❖ **I.S.C.F.** (Inter Schools Christian Fellowship), a secondary school ministry with over 5000 students involved on over 200 campuses islandwide.
- ❖ A **literature** ministry which publishes and distributes the "Daily Bread" devotional guide, the teen devotional "Time Out", and other literature.

We're a Student Movement

We are not an organization that has a large number of paid professionals doing the work of the ministry. Rather our staff and volunteers function as trainers and equippers. We try to empower students to minister to their fellow students. We are a fellowship of students and by students. Currently our ministry is focussed on tertiary and secondary institutions. We hope in the future to be able to minister at primary level institutions as well.



We're a purposeful movement

Our primary mission is to **disciple students**. We want to help them move along a path of spiritual growth and development. We hope all students will have the opportunity to have Christian friends who will pray for them and model the life of Christ to them. They may be invited to a Bible Study, Christian Party or other evangelistic activity where they will grow in their understanding of the gospel. Eventually they will come to a place in their spiritual journey where they can put their **hope** in Christ as saviour and Lord. We hope that they will become part of a regular Bible study group, begin cultivating personal spiritual disciplines such as prayer, a personal quiet time, accountable relationships, personal evangelism and so on. Thus they will continue to **grow** as disciples of Christ. As they grow we hope that they will begin to discover their own spiritual gifts and begin to **serve** others in Christ's name. They may become involved in leading a Bible Study, or in a dance group, or in a bathroom cleanup project at school or in helping to lead their local church's youth group. Eventually we hope that they will also come to share in the joy of obeying Christ's command to **go** and make disciples of the nations. They may decide to participate in UCCF or ISCF missions activities, they may commit to praying for a missionary couple in China, they may share their testimonies with classmates or they may even decide to become career missionaries.



We're a para-church movement

Our purposes as a ministry, in the final analysis, are no different than the purposes of any local church or any Christian organization. We want to help students move along a path of spiritual development. Our purposes are really the church's purposes. But we are not a church. We are a ministry that helps the local church to accomplish its purposes in the school environment. We are partners with the local church for accomplishing the church's mandate to reach students for Christ. We are like a specialist within the church community that has been concentrating on student ministry for fifty years.

We're an interdenominational movement

Members of I.S.C.F. and U.C.C.F. do not come from any one single denomination. We value diversity and unity within the body of Christ. Our styles of worship, denominational beliefs, ministry values, dress codes etc. might be different, but our commitment to Christ is the same.

We work hard to ensure that persons from a variety of denominational backgrounds will feel comfortable in being part of our movement. We try to maintain a posture of humility and a willingness to learn from each other.