

Basis of Faith

The European Evangelical Alliance is a fellowship of Christians who accept the revelation of the triune God given in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament and confess the faith of the Gospel therein set forth. They assert the following doctrines which they regard as crucial to the understanding of the faith, and which should issue in mutual love, practical Christian service and evangelistic concern:

- The sovereignty and grace of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit in creation, providence, revelation, redemption, final judgement and consummation.
- The divine inspiration of Holy Scripture and its entire trustworthiness and supreme authority in all matters of faith and conduct.
- The universal sinfulness and guilt of fallen man, making him subject to God's wrath and condemnation.
- The substitutionary sacrifice of the incarnate Son of God as the sole and all-sufficient ground of redemption from the guilt and power of sin, and from its eternal consequences.
- The justification of the sinner solely by the grace of God through faith in Christ crucified and risen from the dead.
- The illuminating, regenerating, indwelling and sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit.
- The priesthood of all believers, who form the Universal Church, the body of which Christ is the head, and which is committed by His command to the proclamation of the Gospel throughout the world.
- The expectation of the personal, visible return of the Lord Jesus Christ, in power and glory.

My commitment

...to the promotion of unity among Christians

It is my desire and prayer that the unity of the church of Jesus Christ is strengthened in our country, to glorify God and as a true witness for all people. I therefore agree to make the following commitment, together with many Christians in Germany.

1. In recognition that Jesus Christ founded a worldwide church, I will therefore direct my thinking, my prayer and my energies toward the growth of the Kingdom of God, not only within, but also outside the boundaries of my own local church.
2. In recognition that the variety within the body of Christ reflects the riches of God's gifts. I choose to treat other traditions and religious forms with respect.
3. In recognition of my own incompleteness, I will allow myself to be built up by others.
4. I will have no part in the sin of ignoring or putting down other Christians. Instead I choose to respect and value other Christians and to try to resolve disagreements by open discussion.
5. In recognition that the distribution of spiritual and natural gifts and abilities varies between churches, I will try to encourage co-operation, support and encouragement between churches and groups.
6. In recognition that all Christians together are called to reach the world with the gospel, I will do my part in encouraging churches and groups to carry out the great commission together.
7. In order to make sure that these principles do not remain on a theoretical level, I choose to take the steps necessary to put them into practice.
8. I recognise that without the Holy Spirit these principles can achieve nothing good. Therefore I choose to trust in His leading and rely upon his strength in order to put them into practice.

Date, Signature

This commitment is based on the foundation of faith of the Deutsche Evangelische Allianz (German Evangelical Alliance)

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I not only want to keep my commitment to promote unity amongst Christians to myself but hereby testify that I have made this commitment and intend to keep it.

Sender

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