The Good Life Student Fellowship Constitution
Drafted June 24, 2014

Article I. Name
Section One: The name of this organization shall be “The Good Life Student Fellowship.” Also known as TGL or TGL Student Fellowship.

Article II. Purpose & Goals
Section One: TGL Student Fellowship exists to grow as a community of Christ followers (Acts 2:42-27) committed to reaching the lost of all nations with the message of salvation through Jesus Christ (Matthew 28:19-20, Acts 1:8) and equipping believers for vital ministry (Ephesians 4:11-13, 1 Peter 4:10-11). We are also affiliated with Redeemer Church, a local Cedar Falls church.

Section Two: TGL Student Fellowship abides by and supports established University of Northern Iowa policies, State and Federal Laws. If in the future it should be determined that abiding by said policies or laws would violate clear commands from God’s word that the policy violates the US Constitution, TGL Student Fellowship will notify the university and seek a mutually acceptable resolution.

Article III. Offices

Offices
The offices of TGL Student Fellowship shall consist of:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary

Article IV. Membership

Attendees
All persons may attend the meetings, events and other activities of TGL Student Fellowship. We welcome all people to come and hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and to fellowship with us. However, attendees have no power to determine policy for TGL Student Fellowship, nor can they formally represent or act on its behalf. Furthermore, we reserve the right to conduct all meetings, small groups, retreats, and events in a manner that is in accordance with our Constitution, Statement of Faith (see Appendix A), and moral convictions based on Scripture.

Members
Membership is open to all students at Northern Iowa who affirm the statement of faith in Appendix A and support TGL Student Fellowship’s mission.

Revocation of Membership
Any individual’s membership, including the leadership of any Officer and/or Advisor, may be revoked for misconduct, failure to adhere to the Statement of Faith, or actions contrary to the purposes of the organization. In the event of a disagreement over whether an individual’s membership may be revoked, the final decision will be made by the Board of Redeemer Church.

Article V. Officer Requisites and Responsibilities

Officer Requirements
Officers of TGL Student Fellowship must be Leaders of TGL Student Fellowship who have professed their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as defined by the Statement of Faith and live according to the tenets of the Bible as explained by the Statement of Faith. Officers must also:

a. Have a minimum cumulative grade point ratio (GPA) as stated below and meet that minimum GPA in the semester immediately prior to the election/appointment, the semester of election/appointment and semesters during the term of office. For undergraduate students, the minimum cumulative GPA is 2.00. In order for this provision to be met, at least six hours (half-time credits) must have been taken for the semester under consideration.

b. Be in good standing with the university and enrolled: at least half time (six or more credit hours), if an undergraduate student (unless fewer credits are required to graduate in the spring and fall semesters) during the term of office, and at least half time (four or more credits), if a graduate level student (unless fewer credits are required in the final stages of their degree as defined by the Continuous Registration Requirement) during their term of office.

c. Be ineligible to hold an office should the student fail to maintain the requirements as prescribed in (a) and (b).
Officers
The Officers of TGL Student Fellowship shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Faculty Advisor.

Election of Officers
At the beginning of the Fall term, the Board of Elders at Redeemer Church will appoint officers.

Term of Office
The term of office will be one full year (September 1 to August 31), and the term can be renewed for up to 4 years, granted the officer remains in good standing according to the officer requirements listed above. In accordance with the membership policy (Article IV), any officer’s “membership may be revoked for misconduct, failure to adhere to the Statement of Faith, or actions contrary to the purposes of the organization. In the event of a disagreement over whether an individual’s membership may be revoked, the final decision will be made by the Board of Redeemer Church. In such cases where an officer is no longer able to retain his/her position, they will be replaced at that time, following the same procedure for election of officers described above.

Executive Committee
All Officers shall comprise the Executive Committee of the organization.

Officer Duties
1. President
   • Represent organization on campus
   • Ensure that the organization is operating in conformity with the standards set forth by University of Northern Iowa and the Student Activities Center
   • Maintain communication with the Faculty Advisor and Redeemer Church
   • In the absence of a qualifying officer being nominated, the president, with the permission of Redeemer Church may delegate that office’s duties among present officers until the vacancy is filled
2. Vice President
   • Preside over meetings in the absence of the President
   • Schedules meetings/events with appropriate University officers
   • Coordinate organization promotion and publicity of events
3. Secretary
   • Main an accurate record all of organization meetings
   • Correspond when necessary with University administration and other recognized organizations
   • Maintain accurate record of organization transactions
   • Cosign organization checks along with the Advisor
   • Solicit additional funding if needed from the Student Government Association in conjunction with the President
4. Advisor
   • Maintain communication and meet with officers regularly
   • Awareness and approval of financial expenditures
   • Ensure that the organization is operating in conformity with the standards set forth by University of Northern Iowa and Student Activities Center

Advisor Appointment
The advisor must be a faculty or staff member who supports the statement of faith, who has demonstrated a commitment to the organizations goals, and who has the support of TGL Student Fellowship. Advisor duties will include maintaining communication and meeting with TGL Student Fellowship Officer(s), maintaining awareness of and approving financial expenditures completed through the Campus Organizations Accounting Office, and ensuring that the organization is operating in conformity with the standards set forth by University of Northern Iowa and the Student Activities Center.

Officer/Advisor Removal
Officers and/or Advisors may be removed from their positions by the Board of Redeemer Church if they fail to abide by the requirements listed above. The officer is allowed to speak to the Executive Committee and the Board about the charges made concerning his/her conduct. The officer is not given leave to participate during the final deliberation of the Executive Committee regarding the individual’s membership status.

Article VI. Finances
**Organization Monies**

TGL Student Fellowship shall maintain its own budget as a portion of the budget of Redeemer Church. If the organization is dissolved, then all monies shall be given to Redeemer Church. There will be no dues collected.

All monies belonging to TGL Student Fellowship shall be deposited and disbursed through the Treasurer of Redeemer Church.

The Advisor to this organization must approve and sign each expenditure completed through the Campus Organizations Accounting Office before payment.

**Article VII. Provisions for Amendment and Ratification**

**Amendments**

Proposed amendments to this constitution must be submitted in writing and approved by the Board of Redeemer Church, and affirmed by the faculty advisor.

**Ratification**

This constitution will be provisionally active upon affirmation by the President and the Faculty Advisor, and will go fully into effect upon affirmation.

**Article VIII. Non-Discrimination Clause**

TGL Student Fellowship will not discriminate in the acceptance of members, rank, or office on the basis of race, color, sex, age, national origin, disability, marital status, or status as a U.S. veteran.

**Approved By:**

Advisor: ________________________________  Date: ________________

President: ________________________________  Date: ________________

SAC Representative: ____________________________  Date: ________________

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Advisor: _________________________________________  Date: __________________

President: _________________________________________  Date: __________________

SAC Representative: _________________________________  Date: __________________
Appendix A: The Good Life Student Fellowship Statement of Faith

The Word of God
We believe that the Bible is the Word of God, fully inspired and without error in the original manuscripts, written under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, and that it has supreme authority in all matters of faith and conduct.

The Trinity
We believe that there is one living and true God, eternally existing in three persons, that these are equal in every divine perfection, and that they execute distinct but harmonious offices in the work of creation, providence and redemption.

God the Father
We believe in God, the Father, an infinite, personal spirit, perfect in holiness, wisdom, power and love. We believe that He concerns Himself mercifully in the affairs of men, that He hears and answers prayer, and that He saves from sin and death all who come to Him through Jesus Christ.

Jesus Christ
We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only begotten Son, conceived by the Holy Spirit. We believe in His virgin birth, sinless life, miracles and teachings. We believe in His substitutionary atoning death, bodily resurrection, ascension into heaven, perpetual intercession for His people, and personal visible return to earth.

The Holy Spirit
We believe in the Holy Spirit who came forth from the Father and Son to convict the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment, and to regenerate, sanctify, and empower all who believe in Jesus Christ. We believe that the Holy Spirit indwells every believer in Christ, and that He is an abiding helper, teacher and guide.

Regeneration
We believe that all men are sinners by nature and by choice and are, therefore, under condemnation. We believe that those who repent of their sins and trust in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord are regenerated by the Holy Spirit.

The Church
We believe in the universal church, a living spiritual body of which Christ is the head and all regenerated persons are members. We believe in the local church, consisting of a company of believers in Jesus Christ, baptized on a credible confession of faith, and associated for worship, work and fellowship. We believe that God has laid upon the members of the local church the primary task of giving the Gospel of Jesus Christ to a lost world.

The Ordinances
We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ has committed two ordinances to the local church: baptism and the Lord's Supper. We believe that the Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water in to the name of the triune God. We believe that the Lord's Supper was instituted by Christ for commemoration of His death. We believe that these two ordinances should be observed and administered until the return of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Last Things
We believe in the personal and visible return of the Lord Jesus Christ to earth and the establishment of His kingdom. We believe in the resurrection of the body, the final judgment, the eternal felicity of the righteous, and the endless suffering of the wicked.