

MISSION STATEMENT

WHAT IS CAMP CHESTERFIELD?

Camp Chesterfield is the property of The Indiana Association of Spiritualists, and as an Association we were founded in 1886 as:

A SPIRITUALIST CHURCH

WE ARE A RELIGION, PHILOSOPHY, AND SCIENCE BASED ON NATURAL LAW

WHY DO WE EXIST:

This is best defined by the **ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF THE INDIANA ASSOCIATION OF SPIRITUALISTS, RECORDED OCTOBER 22, 1888.**

“We the undersigned do hereby associate ourselves together for the purpose of the promulgation of the fundamental of Eternal Existence and the interrelation of material and spiritual planes of life by the publication of spiritual literature and promotion of spiritual lectures by a missionary system of itinerant speaking and the multiplication of opportunities for honest and scientific investigation of phenomenal Spiritualism and to the attainment of a better moral and spiritual social state.”

And the **CONSTITUTION OF THE INDIANA ASSOCIATION OF SPIRITUALISTS** (Article III)

“The fundamental objects of the INDIANA ASSOCIATION OF SPIRITUALISTS are:

Sec. 1 To develop a knowledge by study and teaching of the highest spiritual power of intellect and inspiration; to study and teach a knowledge of man’s obligations to the true purpose of this life and the life that is to come; to study and teach the highest principles of virtue; and to heighten the moral conception of justice and truth.

Sec. 2 To seek and develop a knowledge of the real relationship between man and spirit.

Sec. 3 To promote a knowledge of the principles and truth of Spiritualism and to hold communication with the spirits of the departed through the natural powers of Mediumship.

Sec. 4 The highest aim shall be to present such phenomena to the world as shall demonstrate the existence of a spiritual world and the continuity of life beyond the change called death.

For promoting these inestimable ends, this Association was formed and now exists.

These fundamental aims are inerrant and unchangeable.

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In modern terms we are also the following, none of which may be in conflict with the preceding statements:

A WORLD LEADER IN THE SPIRITUALIST MOVEMENT

THE WORLD'S LARGEST CENTER OF SPIRITUAL PHENOMENA

A SPIRITUALISTS DEMONSTRATION CENTER

A CENTER OF LIGHT

A TEACHING CENTER

MOTHER CHURCH OF A SPIRITUALIST CHURCH NETWORK

A RETREAT CENTER

A CENTER OF REST, RELAXATION AND SPIRITUAL REJUVENATION

A SPIRITUALIST CENTER WITH THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE STANDARDS