



## POLICY 01: STATEMENT OF PURPOSE AND MISSION

### **SUMMARY HISTORY OF INCORPORATION:**

On January 16, 2006, by the power granted him by the *Canada Corporations Act*, the Minister of Industry issued the *Letters Patent for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Association of Canada*.

Article 2 of its Constitution stated:

*The purpose of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Association of Canada is to promote, support and nurture the religious formation of both children and adults through the proclamation of Christ's message in keeping with the orientation and guidelines of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd.*

*Mission: We will increase the involvement of children and adults in a shared religious experience of our covenant relationship with God, in which the religious values of the child predominate.*

*The Canada Not-For-Profit Corporations Act (NFP Act) came into force on October 17, 2011 replacing Part II of the Canada Corporations Act. This required CGSAC to file Articles of Continuance. The Certificate of Continuance was issued on April 16, 2014.*

### **6. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF THE CORPORATION:**

*The Corporation is formed exclusively for the charitable purpose of advancing Christian religion by educating children and adults in the religious tenets, doctrines and observances of mainline Christian churches across Canada by assisting:*

- i. the involvement of adults and children in a common religious experience in which the religious capacities of the child for contemplation and joy predominate;*
- ii. the establishment, growth and development of atrium communities where children and adults will thrive and flourish in their Christian faith;*
- iii. and the provision of training, certification, retreats and ongoing mentoring of adults as CGS catechists and of the formation leaders (trainers) who will provide adult training, retreats and formation.*