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Spirituality Enlightenment Tranquility Love

### **Order of the Leaf Declaration Of Faith and Beliefs**

- This Order is hereby convened to help those pilgrims seeking it to find enlightenment. It is our purpose to help any and all who ask to find their spiritual truth, regardless of race, gender, background or other church affiliations.
- We believe in God, and respect the power of Prayer. We also respect and value those who do not believe in God and those who get their answers through means other than prayer.
- We believe that all men and women should be given the opportunity to become useful citizens, do meaningful work, to encourage and help others find their purpose and achieve a healthy self-image.
- We believe that modern life has become cluttered and spiritually diminished by the excessive use of technology and time saving devices. While we do not shun technology, we believe that the overuse of technology and time savers has laid open a divide between people and their spirit.
- We believe that there is a path to enlightenment and spiritual preservation by learning and appreciating the simplicity of life.
- We believe in allowing individual responsibility for spiritual growth.
- We respect the Constitution of the United States of America.
- We also respect the governments of the other peaceful nations in which some of our members reside.
- We believe in religious freedom, as long as it does not infringe on the rights of others and is within the law.

Enacted on this the twenty-fourth day of April, in the year 2006 of the common era by our hands, for the Maysville Abbey and the Order of the Leaf.

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