

## Declaration

We the founding members of the Fruits of Torah ministries, declare for any and all who would hear that we are an Independent and Free Assembly of Set-Apart Believers as provided for by the first amendment of the Bill of Rights of the United States.

*Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people to peaceably assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.*

This clause protects an absolute freedom of belief. The Founders saw religious liberty as a natural right, and so the First Amendment ensures that all people have an equality of rights to practice their faith. While originally written to apply to actions of the federal government, it was incorporated into state governments through the Fourteenth Amendment by the Supreme Court in the case of *Cantwell v. Connecticut* (1940)

- Definition obtained from <http://billofrightsinstitute.org>

We further declare that we accept our responsibility to abide by Local, State and Federal Laws, unless these laws violate Torah, in which case we reserve the right to vigorously defend The Faith.

Adopted this 14th day of December in the year 2016.