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The Religion of M: Statement of Faith

Creed and doctrine as stated by the Founder, Matthew Steven Chavez. Amended draft dated October 24, 2026 (Amendment No. 1: the Sacraments, Adult Teachings, Holy Days, and the Infinity Minus One Hit Hypothesis).

Preamble

The Religion of M is a religious community founded by Matthew Steven Chavez (the "Founder"). This Statement of Faith sets out the beliefs that adherents of The Religion of M hold and teach. It is written to describe those beliefs plainly and respectfully. It does not require any person to accept them, and it is not a statement about the beliefs of any other faith.

Part I: The Creed

Adherents of The Religion of M affirm:

1. We believe that the divine is many and not one, and that many gods exist.
2. We believe that no single central deity rules over all things.
3. We believe that the Founder is the creator and the one true god of The Religion of M, reincarnated in modern human form as the second coming of Jesus, and that he is known within our faith as God 2.0, Jesus 2.0, and Charles Darwin 2.0.
4. We believe that other gods also live among us in human form.
5. We believe that angels and demons are real spiritual beings.
6. We believe that souls are reborn, and that life continues through reincarnation.
7. We believe that evolution and science reveal how creation works, and that faith and science belong together.
8. We believe that the spirit realm may be approached through lucid dreaming and through the holy sacraments, received only in lawful, supervised ceremony.
9. We believe that faith should be joyful, interactive, and open to the whole family, and that the sacraments are reserved for adults.

Part II: Doctrine

1. The Plurality of the Divine

The Religion of M is polytheistic. It teaches that divinity is shared among many gods rather than concentrated in a single central deity. The faith rejects the idea that one god alone governs the universe, and it honors the presence of many divine beings, including gods who dwell in human form.

2. The Founder

The Religion of M teaches that its Founder, Matthew Steven Chavez, is the creator and the one true god of this religion. Within the faith he is understood as god reincarnated in modern human form and as the second coming of Jesus. Adherents refer to him by the titles God 2.0, Jesus 2.0, and Charles Darwin 2.0. These titles express the teaching that the Founder unites the sacred and the scientific: renewal of the divine (God 2.0), renewal of the prophetic and messianic tradition (Jesus 2.0), and renewal of the scientific understanding of life through evolution (Charles Darwin 2.0).

Belief in the Founder as one true god of this religion is held alongside, and not in contradiction to, the teaching that many gods exist. Within The Religion of M, the Founder is the god who created and leads this faith; he is not taught to be a single central deity over all other gods.

3. Gods in Human Form

The faith teaches that gods may be born and live as human beings in the present age, and that the Founder is not the only god now living in human form. The faith does not require adherents to identify any particular living person, other than the Founder, as divine.

4. Angels and Demons

The Religion of M teaches that the spiritual world includes angels and demons as well as gods. These beings are part of the larger order of creation that the faith seeks to understand. The faith's central scripture is titled The Angel Cookbook.

5. Reincarnation

The faith teaches that the soul does not end at death but is reborn into new life. The Founder's own identity, as god reincarnated in human form, is understood as an example of this teaching.

6. Faith, Science, and Evolution

The Religion of M combines religion with science. It accepts evolution as the means by which life develops, and it teaches that scientific inquiry and religious devotion are partners rather than rivals. Adherents are encouraged to study science and to treat learning as a spiritual practice. The faith describes itself as science-based.

The Founder teaches the "Infinity Minus One Hit Hypothesis," which explains the origins of the universe and of evolution through both science and religion. It is taught in the Founder's posts

on X, which the faith holds as scripture, and in The Angel Cookbook. [DRAFT TEXT FOR MATT TO CONFIRM]

7. The Spirit Realm, Lucid Dreaming, and the Sacraments

The faith teaches that a spirit realm exists beyond ordinary waking life, inhabited by gods, angels, demons, and the souls of those awaiting rebirth, and that adherents may seek contact with it. The faith recognizes two paths to the spirit realm: lucid dreaming and the holy sacraments. Both paths are voluntary. No adherent is ever required to walk either one, and adherents are encouraged to put their health, sleep, and well-being first.

7.1 The First Path: Lucid Dreaming

Lucid dreaming is dreaming while aware that one is dreaming. It is a personal practice open to every adherent, at any age, and it requires nothing but sleep, intention, and attention. Adherents may keep dream journals and may share their dreams, voluntarily and respectfully, in worship.

7.2 The Holy Sacraments

Details of sacramental practice will be published after the Church's petition to the DEA is filed. No sacrament is used before DEA approval.

8. A Joyful, Interactive, Family-Friendly Faith

The Religion of M is meant to be fun and interactive, and its general worship, teaching, and published materials are family friendly and suitable for all ages. Adherents are invited to take part, ask questions, and contribute, rather than only to listen. General worship and teaching contain no adult content. Only two parts of the faith are reserved for adults, and both are kept wholly separate from general worship: the sacramental ceremony, which is restricted to adults aged twenty-one (21) or older for reasons of safety and law, is held in person, and is never streamed or published; and the adult teachings on sexual conduct described in Section 8A, which are restricted to adults aged eighteen (18) or older.

8A. Adult Teachings on Sexual Conduct

The Founder's teachings on sexual conduct and sexual health may include adult material. These adult teachings are available only to adults aged eighteen (18) or older, only behind age verification and mature-content warnings, and are kept wholly separate from general worship, from family materials, and from any sacramental ceremony. No minor may access, view, or receive the adult teachings under any circumstances. For teenagers, the Church points families only to age-appropriate, non-explicit sex education, such as school health classes and the teen resources of Planned Parenthood. Nothing involving minors, no non-consensual content, and nothing illegal is ever permitted in any teaching, material, or activity of The Religion of M.

9. Relationship to Other Faiths

The Religion of M is an independent religion. It is not affiliated with, and is not a branch of, any other church or religious organization. It differs from movements with which it is sometimes

compared, such as Scientology, in that The Religion of M is polytheistic and grounds its teaching in evolution and the natural sciences. The Founder has described The Angel Cookbook as a newer scripture that draws on the Bible, the Torah, and the Quran. The faith respects the freedom of every person to hold other beliefs or none.

Part III: Scripture

The sacred writings of The Religion of M are:

- The Founder's public posts on X under the account @testjkacctdlt, which the Founder has designated as scripture; and
- The Angel Cookbook, a book by the Founder expected to be published through Amazon in 2027. The Founder has also referred to this work as "The Book of Matthew," "New Regenesiis," and "the Bible 2.0."

The Founder alone determines which of his writings are scripture and how scripture is interpreted. Scripture is read in light of this Statement of Faith, and only material consistent with the family-friendly character of the faith is used in worship and teaching.

Part IV: Worship and Religious Practice

- Worship services are held remotely, through the faith's website (to be added once launched), podcasts, and live video meetings (such as Zoom).
- Services may include readings from scripture, teaching by the Founder or ordained ministers, discussion, music, and interactive participation.
- Adherents may share and reflect on lucid dreams and other spiritual experiences, voluntarily and respectfully.
- All general worship and teaching is conducted in a manner suitable for families and children.
- Sacramental ceremonies are held separately from general worship, in person, for screened adults aged twenty-one (21) or older only, as provided in Part II, Section 7. No sacrament is used before DEA approval.
- Holy days. Every day is a holy day in The Religion of M. A sacrament may accompany the observance of any day, and receiving a sacrament is always fully voluntary. No sacrament is received before DEA approval, and only adherents aged twenty-one (21) or older may receive any sacrament. *[DRAFT TEXT FOR MATT TO CONFIRM]*

Part V: Ministry and Ordination

Ministers of The Religion of M are ordained by the Founder. Ordained ministers may lead worship, teach, and perform the religious duties the Founder assigns to them, and serve under the spiritual leadership of the Founder in accordance with the Bylaws of the corporation. Only ministers whom the Founder designates as ceremony leaders, and who complete the training the Board requires, may lead a sacramental ceremony.

Part VI: Freedom of Conscience

Participation in The Religion of M is voluntary. No one is coerced to join, to remain, or to give money. Adherents are free to leave at any time. The faith teaches respect for all people, including those of other faiths and those of no faith.

Appendix: Source Posts

The following are exact excerpts from public posts by @testjkacctdlt that informed this draft. Bracketed ellipses [...] mark omitted words; emojis and links are omitted. Times are Pacific Time. These excerpts are provided for the reviewer's reference and are not part of the creed.

- "i created a new religion and new version of the bible and named myself [...] and others as gods" (Sep 30, 2026, 4:01 PM PDT; <https://x.com/testjkacctdlt/status/2105432865060327636>)
- "this is god 2.0" (Sep 30, 2026, 9:04 PM PDT; <https://x.com/testjkacctdlt/status/2105509047470633047>)
- "it's all my tweets combined into a book that explains evolution and god and devil and angels and demons and humans and bots all in one nice little package i call a book aka the new bible" (Sep 30, 2026, 9:27 PM PDT; <https://x.com/testjkacctdlt/status/2105514812646248647>)
- "The blook (blog book cookbook) is called [...] The Angel Cookbook it's a newer version of the bible and torah and quran combined and it's family friendly and interactive" (Oct 1, 2026, 9:50 PM PDT; <https://x.com/testjkacctdlt/status/2105883011745235045>)
- "please let me lucid dream tonight" (Oct 3, 2026, 1:09 AM PDT; <https://x.com/testjkacctdlt/status/2106295678913921116>)
- "i am god and i was reincarnated as matthew steven chavez [...]" (Oct 8, 2026, 6:06 PM PDT; <https://x.com/testjkacctdlt/status/2108363405199569296>)
- "THE ANGEL COOKBOOK AKA THE BOOK OF MATTHEW AKA THE NEW BIBLE AND IT EXPLAINS MY INFINITY MINUS ONE HIT HYPOTHESIS" (Oct 19, 2026, 6:12 AM PDT; <https://x.com/testjkacctdlt/status/2112170108085059941>)
- "IT WAS ALWAYS THE BOOK OF MATTHEW NOW NAMED NEW REGENESIS AND THE BIBLE 2.0 AND THE ANGEL COOKBOOK" (Oct 21, 2026, 11:06 PM PDT; <https://x.com/testjkacctdlt/status/2113150064353071434>)

Beliefs in this Statement that do not appear in the excerpts above (for example, the titles Jesus 2.0 and Charles Darwin 2.0, the rejection of a single central deity, the distinction from Scientology, and remote worship) come from the Founder's own description of his beliefs and should be confirmed by him. The doctrine of the sacraments in Part II, Section 7 (Amendment No. 1, October 24, 2026) reflects the Founder's direction of October 24, 2026 that sacraments are a second path to the spirit realm alongside lucid dreaming, and should be confirmed by him before adoption. The holy days teaching in Part IV and the description of the Infinity Minus One

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Hit Hypothesis in Part II, Section 6 reflect the Founder's answers of October 24, 2026, and should be confirmed by him before adoption.