

Statement of Faith

GOD

We believe in one God, the sovereign Creator, Sustainer and Governor of all things, infinitely perfect and eternally existing in three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. He is omnipotent, omnipresent, and omniscient. The God we serve is holy, righteous, most loving, gracious, abundant in goodness and truth, and full of mercy in forgiving sin.

(Gen. 1:1, Matt 28:19, Isaiah 40:10-31 & 43:3 & 46:4, 1 Peter 1:2, Jer. 10:10 & 32:17, Psalm 139, Job 21:22, 1 John 4:16)

JESUS CHRIST

We believe in the complete deity and full humanity of Jesus Christ, his virgin birth, his sinless life, his miracles, his substitutionary atonement on the cross, his bodily resurrection, and his ascension to the right hand of the Father.

(Col. 2:9, Matt. 1:22-23, Luke 1:35, Heb. 4:15 & 7:26, John 2:11, Acts 2:22, Romans 5:8-11, 1 Cor. 15:3, Eph. 1:7, Heb. 2:9,

John 11:25 & 20:27-28, Rom. 1:4, 1 Cor. 15:4, Mark 16:19, Col. 3:1)

HOLY SPIRIT

We believe that the Holy Spirit has come to glorify Jesus Christ and to apply the saving work of Jesus Christ to our hearts. He convicts us of sin and draws us to the Savior.

Indwelling our hearts, He gives new life to us, empowers and imparts gifts to us for service. He instructs and guides us into all truth and seals us for the day of redemption.

(John 14:26, Gal. 4:6, 1 Cor. 2:12-13)

BIBLE

We believe the 66 books of the Bible to be the inspired, inerrant, and only authoritative Word of God and the final authority for faith and practice.

(2 Tim. 3:16, 2 Peter 1:21)

NATURE OF MAN

We believe in the biblical account of creation and that man is created in the image of God. We believe that because of Adam's sin all mankind is born in a state of sin and, by nature, spiritually dead and relationally separated from God. For the salvation of such lost and sinful men, regeneration by the invincible power of the Holy Spirit is absolutely necessary.

(Rom. 5:12,19 & 3:23, Titus 3:5, Eze. 36:26-27, Gen. 1-2, 3:6-24)

SALVATION

Our salvation is wholly dependent upon the work of God's free grace through faith alone, not a result of any of our works; yet faith without works is dead. Only such as are born of the Holy Spirit and receive Jesus Christ become children of God and heirs of eternal life.

(Eph. 2:8-9, James 2:17, John 3:5,16-19,36 & 5:24 & 10:27-30, Rom. 3:22 & 5:8-9 & 8:35-39, Titus 3:5, Heb. 10:38-39, 1 Peter 1:5)

SECOND COMING

We believe that Jesus Christ will come again to the earth – personally, visibly and bodily – to judge the living and the dead, and to consummate history and the eternal plan of God.

(Matt. 24:29-31, Acts 1:11, 1 Thess. 4:16-17, Rev. 19:11-16)

RESURRECTION

We believe in the resurrection both of the believer and of the unbeliever – the believer unto the resurrection of everlasting life and the unbeliever unto the everlasting damnation.

(John 5:28-29, Rom. 8:11, 1 Cor. 15, Rev. 20:12-15)

SPIRITUAL UNITY

We believe the true Church is the property of Christ and is composed of all Christians who, through saving faith in Jesus Christ and the sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit, are united together in the body of Christ in loving fellowship, regardless of denominational affiliation.

(Gal. 3:26-28, John 17:6-23, 1 Cor. 12:12-27)

OUR COMMISSION

We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ commands all believers to proclaim the Gospel throughout the world and to make disciples of all nations. In this He calls us to a life of self-denying love and obedient service.

(Matt. 28:19-20, Acts 1:8)

Soli Deo gloria!

To God alone be the glory!