

## STATEMENT OF FAITH

There is one God, who is infinitely perfect, existing eternally in three Persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. (II Cor. 13:14; Matt. 28:19)

Jesus Christ is true God and true man. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He died upon the cross, the just for the unjust, as a substitutionary sacrifice, and all who believe in Him are justified on the grounds of His shed blood. He arose from the dead according to the Scriptures. He is now at the right hand of the Majesty on high as our great High Priest. He will come again to establish His kingdom of righteousness and peace (John 20:28; Philippians 2:6-7)

The Holy Spirit is a Divine Person, sent to indwell, guide, teach, empower the believer, and convince the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgement. (John 14:16, 15:26, 16:7-10)

The Old and New Testaments, inerrant as originally given, were inspired by God and are a complete revelation of His will for the salvation of men. They constitute the divine and only rule of Christian faith and practice. (II Tim. 3:16; II Peter 1:21)

Man was originally created in the image and likeness of God; he fell through disobedience, thereby incurring both physical and spiritual death. All men are born with a sinful nature, are separated from the life of God, and can be saved only through the atoning work of the Lord Jesus Christ. The portion of the impenitent and unbelieving existence forever in conscious torment; and that of the believer is everlasting joy and bliss. (Ephesians 2:1-9)

Salvation has been provided through Jesus Christ for all men; but only those who repent and believe in Him are born again of the Holy Spirit, receive the gift of eternal life, and become the children of God. (1John 2:1)

It is the will of God that each believer should be filled with the Holy Spirit and be sanctified wholly, being separated from sin and the world and fully dedicated to the will of God, thereby receiving power for holy living and effective service. This is both a crisis and progressive experience wrought in the life of the believer subsequent to conversion. (Ephesians 4:18; 1Thessalonians 5:23)

The Church consists of all those who believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, are redeemed through His blood, and are born again of the Holy Spirit. Christ is the head of the Body, the church, which has been commissioned by Him to go into the entire world as a witness, preaching the Gospel to all nations. (Eph. 1:20-23, 4:4-16; 1 Cor. 12; Mark 16:15)

There shall be a bodily resurrection of the just and of the unjust; for the former, a resurrection unto life; for the latter, a resurrection unto judgment. (John 5:28,29)

The second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ is imminent and will be personal and visible. This is the believer's blessed hope and is a vital truth which is an incentive to holy living and faithful service. (Mat. 24,25; John 14; 1 Thes. 4:13-18)

We believe in the sanctity of marriage as presented in Scripture. We believe that God's design for marriage is exclusively between one man and one woman (Gen.2:18-24 ; Eph. 5:22-33)

We believe that God's intention is that human beings live according to the male or female identity given to them at birth (Gen. 1-2) In the New Testament, Jesus confirms the heterosexual creation of human beings, "God made them male and female." (Matt. 19:4)