

STATEMENT OF FAITH

1. THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

 All scripture (Old and New Testament) is given by the inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, reproof, correction, and instruction in righteousness, and are considered the actual Word of God. 2 Timothy 3:16

2. THE TRINITY

The Trinity—God, the Father; God, the Son; and God, the Holy Spirit—one God, eternally existent in three persons.

Deuteronomy 6:4 Matthew 3:16-17

3. THE DEITY OF CHRIST

Jesus is God incarnate and was manifest in human flesh. He was like us in all ways except for one, being free • from sin.

Isaiah 9:6-7 John 1:1-14

4. THE VIRGIN BIRTH

We believe that our Lord was conceived by the Holy Ghost and born of the Virgin Mary. • Isaiah 7:14 Luke 1:26-35

5. THE BODILY RESURRECTION AND ASCENSION OF CHRIST

• Christ is the risen savior. Jesus arose from the dead, ascended into Heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the						
Father.						
Romans 8:31-35	Acts 1:8-11	1 Corinthians 15:4, 20				
<u>6. GOD IS ETERNAL AND U</u>	<u>6. GOD IS ETERNAL AND UNCHANGING</u>					
1 Timothy 1:1	Malachi 3:6	James 1:17	Hebrews 13:8			
7. GOD IS OMNIPRESENT AND OMNIPOTENT						
Jeremiah 23:23-24	Psalm 139:7-10	Proverbs 15:3	Matthew 18:20			
8. GOD IS SOVEREIGN						
Daniel 4:34-35	Romans 9:16-2	1 Ephesians 1:4-5	1Corinthians 12:18, 28			
9. THE CREATION OF MAN AS FREE MORTAL AGENTS						
• Human beings are created by God, in His image, with a free will, making every human being a free mortal agent,						

- with the ability to make choices.
 - Deuteronomy 30:19 Joshua 24:15 John 1:11-12

10. THE FALL OF MAN

- Man, by voluntary transgression, fell and thereby incurred not only physical death but also spiritual death. Romans 5:12-19 Romans 6:23a
- All humans have sinned and need to be reconciled with God. Romans 3:23 Galatians 3:22

11. GOD'S WILL TO SAVE MANKIND

God's will is that ALL should be saved-that none should perish, but all should come to repentance unto salvation. • 1 Timothy 2:4-6 1 John 2:2 1 Timothy 4:10 2 Peter 3:9

12. CHRIST DIED FOR OUR SINS

The vicarious atoning death of Jesus, who died on the cross so that we might live, offering Himself up as the ٠ perfect sacrifice for sinful man—the salvation of man.

2 Corinthians 5:21p

13. SALVATION THROUGH CHRIST ALONE

- John 3:16-17
- All must be "born again" to enter the kingdom of God, to obtain His blessings, to have peace with God, and to meet Him in the air as His bride, without spot or blemish.

 Acts 4:12
 John 3:3-6
 Romans 10:9
 John 14:6

14. THE BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

- All believers are entitled to and should earnestly seek the promise of the Father, the baptism in the Holy Spirit and fire, according to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ.
 - Luke 24:49Acts 1:4Acts 1:81 Corinthians 12:1-31Distinct from and subsequent to the new birth:
Acts 8:12-17Acts 10:44-46Acts 11:14-16Acts 15:7-9Initial avidance of this infilling is speaking in tenguesi
- Initial evidence of this infilling is speaking in tongues:

 Acts 2:4
 Acts 10:46
 Acts 19:6

James 2:18

15. ALL BELIEVERS ARE TO WALK BY FAITH

• Faith is exercised by believing in the heart, confessing what one believes from the Word of God, and being a doer of the Word and not a hearer only.

Mark 11:23

James 1:22

 Through faith we have access to all the grace of God—salvation, forgiveness, deliverance, baptism in the Holy Spirit, knowledge of His Word, answered prayer, and a personal relationship as a child of God.

Romans 5:2 Matthew 9:29 James 4:7

16. ALL BELIEVERS HAVE DOMINION OVER SIN, SATAN, AND SELF

All believers have power over all the power of the enemy and should live a lifestyle that represents the life of Christ. *Luke 10:19 Matthew 10:7-8*

17. PHYSICAL HEALING AND HEALTH ARE GOD'S WILL FOR ALL

1 Peter 2:24	Isaiah 53:4-5	Acts 10:38	3 John 2		
Exodus 23:25	Deuteronomy 7:15	Exodus 15:26	Matthew 4:23-24		
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18. ALL BELIEVERS SHOULD WALK IN HOLINESS AND PURITY

 Holiness is the goal for all disciples, and all sexual perversion (fornication, adultery, and homosexuality) is unbiblical and considered sin.

2 Corinthians 7:1 Corinthians 6:9-10 NKJV 1 Thessalonians 4:7 Leviticus 18:22

19. ALL BELIEVERS HAVE THE PROMISE OF PROSPERITY

- God wants all believers to be healthy and prosperous, and through His principle of giving and His law of sowing and reaping, we live under a more efficient economic system with God as our source and supply.
- 3 John 2 Matthew 6:31-33 2 Corinthians 8:9 Philippians 4:19

20. THE SACRED TITHE

- All believers are to tithe the first tenth of all their increase and honor God with their substance.
 Proverbs 3:9-10 Numbers 18:12
- The tithe is the Lord's and does not become the Lord's when we decide to present it. Leviticus 27:30-31
- Tithing was initiated before the law, though taught in both the Old and New Testaments.
 Matthew 23:23 Hebrews 7:2 Hebrews 7:5 Genesis 14:18-21
- The tither has tither's rights. *Malachi* 3:8-12 *Hebrews* 7:8

21. CHURCH

- Christ is the head of the body, the Church. He has preeminence in all things. It is Christ whom we preach, praise, worship, and serve. Colossians 1:18 John 12:32 1 Timothy 1:17
- We should make gathering together in God's House a high priority. *Hebrews 10:24-25 Psalm 122:1*
- God builds His Church on the foundation of the revelation that Jesus Christ is the Son of the living God. The gates of Hades (hell or anti-Christ motives and movements) will not prevail against His Church.
 Matthew 16:13-18

- The local church is the place where people of like precious faith gather together to increase their knowledge of God, faith, and godliness. It is a place to be equipped (taught, trained, coached, and mentored) for living a Christian life and so members of the Body can be fruitful Christians who are prepared for life and eternity. 2 Peter 1:1-11
- Jesus Himself has given apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers for the perfecting of the saints and ٠ the work of the ministry. *Ephesians* 4:11-12
- Church is where we come together in the unity of the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God, recognizing Jesus as the Head of the Church. It is where people mature as Christian believers. *Ephesians 4:13-16*
- Church is not a public forum where individuals or groups have the right to express their opinions or demonstrate ٠ against the church, its members, or their doctrine. Such activities are works of the flesh (hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, etc.) and not acceptable in a Christian assembly (church). Galatians 5:19-21 **Ephesians 5:3-4**
- For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, ٠ so also is Christ. Each member has a place in the body of Christ (the Church). 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

22. JESUS IS THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH

Christ is the Head of the Church, and all attention and glory are directed to Him alone. It is Christ whom we preach, praise, worship, and serve. Ephesians 1:22 John 12:32 Colossians 1:14-19

23. THE FIVEFOLD MINISTRY

The Head of the Church has given apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers for the perfecting of the saints and the work of the ministry; and these are actual, literal offices functioning in the Church today. **Ephesians 4:8**

Ephesians 4: 11-16

24. CHURCH FACILITIES AND PROPERTY

- We ought to conduct ourselves properly on church property and in the church facilities. 1 Timothy 3:14-15
- We should fear God, and when we go to the house of God we should conduct ourselves prudently with wisdom, honor, respect, and discretion. Ecclesiastes 5:1 Hebrews 12:28
- People should not be allowed to do things in the house of God that are not in accordance with the Holy Bible. •

2 Chronicles 26:16-21 Matthew 21:12-13 Mark 11:15-17

All properties (land, buildings, assets, goods, resources, etc.) of this ecclesiastical Corporation will be used in compliance with the Corporation's bylaws and will not be permitted to be used in violation of the Corporation's religious beliefs as duly set forth in the Corporation's governing documents, policies, and the Holy Scriptures. The Board of Directors shall be the express and final authority, and shall make the final decision with respect to usage of ministry property.

25. THE SACRAMENTS AND ORDINANCES

There are ordinances by which one can demonstrate and express their faith:

	HOLY COMMUN	<u>ION</u>				
	Luke 22:19-20	1	Corinthians 11:2	24-27		
	BAPTISMS					
	Acts 1:8 Act	s 2:38	1 Corinthi	ans 12:13	Acts 8:12	Acts 8:36-38
•	There are sacram	nents we l	hold sacred and	live by with deep c	onviction:	
	ANNOINTING OF	THE SICK				
	James 5:14-15	М	ark 6:13			
	HOLY MATRIMO	NY BETW	EEN A MAN AND	A WOMAN		
	Matthew 19:5-6	5 H	ebrews 13:4	Ephesians 5	:31	
	CHILD DEDICATIO	<u>N</u>				
	Deuteronomy 6:4	4-7 Lu	ıke 2:22	1 Samuel 1:2	7-28	
	ORDINATION OF	MINISTER	<u> </u>			
	Acts 13:1-4	1	Timothy 2:7	Exodus 28:41	L	

26. ANGELS

- Angels are beings created by God, existing both to worship and serve Him.
 Matthew 4:11 Acts 27:23 Psalm 34:7 Psalm 103:20
- Angels are ministering spirits assigned to the saints.
 Psalm 91:11 Hebrews 1:14 Hebre

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27. THE INSTITUTION OF MARRIAGE AND THE HOME

- Life begins in the womb.
 Jeremiah 1:5
 Psalm 1:
- Jeremiah 1:5 Psalm 139:13, 16
 Marriage is between a man and a woman only.
- Genesis 2:18-25 Proverbs 5:18-19 1 Corinthians 7:1-16
- God Himself created and instituted marriage as the holy union between one man and one woman, according to the Holy Scriptures. No other form of union or marriage is acceptable in the eyes of God or by this corporation/church.
- "But from the beginning of the creation, God 'made them male and female.' 'For this a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh'; so then they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate" *Mark 20:6-9 NKJV*
- Children are a heritage from the Lord and are to be brought up scripturally.
 Psalm 127:3 Proverbs 22:6 Ephesians 6:4 Deuteronomy 11:18-19
- The husband is the head of the home, and he must give an account to Christ. *Ephesians 5:22-23 Colossians 3:18-19*

28. JESUS IS COMING FOR THE CHURCH

- Christ will literally come again for His Church—perfected, without spot or blemish, looking for faith in the lives of believers.
 - Luke 18:8

- 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17 Acts 1:10-11
- The saints, the bride of Christ, shall reign with Him forevermore.

Ephesians 5:27

1 Thessalonians 4:17 Revelation 20:6

<u>29. RE</u>	SURRECTION OF THE	DEAD			
	Hebrews 6:2	1 Corinthians 15:1	2-54 John 11:25-26	Romans 8:23	
<u>30. et</u>	ERNAL JUDGMENT				
•	All will be judged: the	saints for their works	, the sinners to damnation,	and satan and all his de	emons to the lake
	of fire. 1 Corinthians	3:13-15 Revelat	ion 20 Matthew 25:3	14, 41 Hebr	ews 6:2
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31. THE LORD'S SECOND COMING

- A distinct, separate event from the rapture of the Church. The personal, imminent return of Christ at the end of the seven-year tribulation, when He will personally and visibly return, with His saints.
- Revelation 19:11-16 Revelation 1:7 Matthew 24:30 Zechariah 14:4-61

32. THE MILLENNIAL REIGN

• A thousand years on earth, during which satan will be bound, and the Lord will have things the way He always intended for His kingdom and His saints. *Revelation 20:1-6*

33. THE NEW HEAVENS AND THE NEW EARTH

Isaiah 65:17	Revelation 21:1	2 Peter 3:10-13	Isaiah 66:22