



## Statement of Faith

### **SCRIPTURE**

We affirm the Scripture, both Old and New Testaments, to be the verbally inspired Word of God in its entirety, without error in the original writings as the complete revelation of His person and His will necessary to be understood by mankind. We believe the Bible to be inspired by the Holy Spirit, the only infallible, authoritative Word of God in all matters of faith and conduct. (2 Timothy 3:15-17; Proverbs 30:5; Galatians 1:8-9)

### **GOD**

We affirm that there is one God, infinitely perfect and eternally existent in the persons of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Genesis 1:1-3; John 1:1-4)

### **GOD THE FATHER**

We believe in God the Father, an infinite, personal spirit; perfect in holiness, wisdom, power and love. We believe that He concerns Himself mercifully in the affairs of each person, that He hears and answers prayer, and that He saves from sin and death all who come to Him through Jesus Christ. (Jeremiah 31:3; John 4:24, Romans 5:8, 1 John 5: 14-15)

### **JESUS CHRIST**

We affirm that Jesus Christ is both fully God and fully man. He is without sin as to nature, unable to sin in principle, and did not sin in fact. We further affirm in His vicarious and atoning death by crucifixion, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of God the Father, and in His continuous intercession for His people. He will personally return in power and glory and is the final judge of all people. (Matthew 24:30; Romans 3:23-26; Romans 8:34; 1 Corinthians 15: 3-4; Hebrews 4:15)

### **HOLY SPIRIT**

We believe in God the Holy Spirit: the Helper and Comforter, in His daily guidance and revelation of truth, in His conviction of sin, righteousness, and judgment, and in His indwelling presence at the moment of salvation, enabling believers to live godly lives. (John 3:5-8, 14:16-17, 16:13-14; Acts 1:8; 1 Corinthians 12:13; Ephesians 4:30-32, 5:18)

### **PEOPLE**

We believe that everyone is born with a sinful nature, separated from God and in need of salvation. Regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential for salvation through the repentance from sin and the acceptance of Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. (John 3:5-8, 5:24; Acts 2:21, Ephesians 1:6-7, 2:8-9; Titus 3:5; 1 Peter 1:23)

### **SALVATION**

We affirm that salvation is by grace alone, through faith alone, in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ and mankind is utterly unable to save him or herself from the power or penalty of sin. We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; the saved to the resurrection of eternal life and the lost to the resurrection of eternal damnation. (Luke 16:19-26; 2 Corinthians 5:8; Philippians 1:23; Ephesians 2:8-9; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9; Revelation 20:11-15)

### **FELLOWSHIP**

We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ. (Acts 2:42-47; Romans 15:5-6; 1 Corinthians 12:12-13; Ephesians 4:3-6)

### **SANCTITY OF LIFE**

We affirm the sanctity of human life, that such life begins at the moment of conception and is to be lived with dignity in God's image until a natural, unaided death. (Genesis 1:26-27, Psalm 139:13-16, Exodus 20:13, Proverbs 24:11-12)

### **MARRIAGE**

We affirm that God instituted marriage as sacred and to be a monogamous, heterosexual (biological male and female), life-long relationship as His original and only design. We affirm that sexual relationships outside of heterosexual marriage are unbiblical and immoral. (Matthew 19:4-6, Hebrews 13:4)