

STATEMENT OF FAITH

OUR BELIEFS

- GOD: We believe that there is only ONE LIVING GOD, eternally existent in 3
 expressions: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; Having distinct functions but equal in power.
 We believe that God is the Creator of all living things, and without him nothing was created.
- THE HOLY BIBLE: We believe that the Holy Bible is the authoritative Word of God. It alone is the final authority in determining all doctrinal truths. The sole basis of our belief is the Bible—the 66 books of the Old and New Testaments. We believe Scripture in its entirety originated with God and He revealed it to chosen authors. We believe that The Holy Spirit inspired fallible men to write the Holy Bible; the inerrant and infallible Word of GOD.
- **HUMANITY:** We believe that humans (both male and female) were created by God, in His image and in His likeness. We believe that humans are spirit, soul, and body and that God has a purpose for each component.
- **JESUS CHRIST:** We believe that Jesus is the only begotten Son of God, fully God and fully man, who lived a sinless life. He who was crucified, buried, and raised from the dead for our salvation. We believe that Jesus has ascended to Heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father and will return again in power and glory.
- **VIRGIN BIRTH:** We believe that Jesus Christ was conceived by God the Father, through the Holy Spirit In the virgin Mary's womb; therefore, He is the Son of God.
- **THE CROSS:** We believe that the blood of Jesus Christ shed on the Cross of Calvary is a finished work and 100% sufficient to cleanse mankind of all sin. Jesus allowed Himself to be punished for both our sinfulness and our sins, enabling all those who believe to be free from the penalty of sin, which is death.
- **RESURRECTION:** We believe that Jesus Christ was physically resurrected from the dead in a glorified body three days after His death on the cross. In addition, both the saved and the lost will be resurrected; they that are saved to the resurrection of life and they that are lost to the resurrection of eternal damnation.
- **REDEMPTION:** We believe that man was created good and upright, but by voluntary transgression fell into sin; The only hope of redemption is in Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

- **REPENTANCE**: We believe that repentance is the commitment to turn away from sin in every area of our lives and to follow Christ, which allows us to receive His redemption and to be regenerated by the Holy Spirit. Thus, through repentance we receive forgiveness of sins and appropriate salvation.
- **SALVATION:** We believe that we are saved by grace through faith in Jesus Christ. Salvation is a gift from God, not a result of our good works or of any human efforts.
- **SANCTIFICATION:** We believe that sanctification is the ongoing process of yielding to God's Word and His Spirit in order to complete the development of Christ's character in us. It is through the present ministry of the Holy Spirit and the Word of God that the Christian is enabled to live a godly life.
- BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT: We believe in the promise of the Father, after His Ascension, to fill believers with His spirit to empower the church and experience his power and demonstration.
- THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT: We believe in the 5-fold ministry gifts, which are
 Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors, and Teachers. We also believe that the Holy
 Spirit is manifested through a variety of spiritual gifts to build and sanctify the church,
 demonstrate the validity of the resurrection, and confirm the power of the Gospel.
- **THE CHURCH:** We believe that the church is the Body of Christ and every person who is a believer is a member of the body. Scripture commands believers to gather for worship, prayer, teaching, fellowship, to observe holy ordinances and to offer love and service to the body and to the world.
- WATER BAPTISM: We believe that water baptism is a holy ordinance, commanded in scripture, to be baptized with water in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- HOLY COMMUNION: We believe that water baptism is a holy ordinance, commanded in scripture, A unique time of communion in the presence of God when are taken to in remembrance of the body and blood of Jesus Christ.
- **MARRIAGE**: We believe that marriage is a holy ordinance and is between a man born a man and a woman born a woman.
- **HEAVEN:** We believe that Heaven is the eternal dwelling place for all believers in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

- **ETERNAL DAMNATION:** We believe that after living one life on earth, the unbelievers will be judged by God and sent to Hell where they will be eternally tormented with the Devil and the Fallen Angels.
- **SECOND COMING:** We believe that Jesus Christ will physically and visibly return to earth for the second time to establish His Kingdom. This will occur at a date undisclosed by the Scriptures.