

## *Statement of Faith*

We believe the Bible is the verbally-inspired Word and Revelation of God, infallible, God-breathed, without error in the original writings, and inerrant on every issue it may touch. (2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:16-21; John 10:34-35; Matthew 5:17-18)

We believe that there is one God eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Mark 12:35-37; Matthew 28:19)

We believe that God created man in His own image; that man sinned and thereby brought upon himself death, both physical and spiritual; and that all human beings share this guilt and inherit this sin nature from the first Adam. (Genesis 1:26,27, 2:15-17; Romans 5:12)

We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His miraculous conception and virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through the shedding of His blood, in His bodily resurrection on the third day, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, in His personal pre-millennial and imminent return to rule and reign (in His return first for His church saints, and secondly with His saints to reign one thousand years over the earth). We believe that all things were created by Him and for Him. (John 10:30; Hebrews 1:8; Luke 1:26-35; John 14:1-3; 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17; 1 Corinthians 15:51-52; Revelation 19:11-16; Revelation 20:4-6; John 1:1-14; Colossians 1:16-17)

We believe that salvation is by grace alone through faith in Christ alone, apart from any works done by man before or after salvation, and that the merits of the shed blood of Christ are sufficient to save and to keep the believer eternally secure in Christ. (Romans 3:23; 2 Corinthians 5:17; Romans 3:26; Ephesians 2:8-9; Romans 4:1-5; 1 John 5:13)

We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit, by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life, and that the Holy Spirit gifts believers for service in the body of Christ. (Ephesians 2:20; 1 Corinthians 12:8-11, 27-31, 14:18-25; Romans 12:6-8)

We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost, the saved unto the resurrection of life, and the lost unto the resurrection of damnation. (John 5:28-29; Revelation 20:5-6, 11-15)

We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ. (Ephesians 4:3)

We believe in the individual priesthood of the believer. (1 Peter 2:5-9)

We believe in the Great Evangelistic Commission of the Lord Jesus Christ, that upon believing in Christ as their Savior, new believers are to be baptized in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Matthew 28:16-20; Acts 1:8)

We believe that all followers of the Lord Jesus should maintain good works. (Ephesians 4:1-32; Titus 2:1-15; Titus 3:1-11)

We believe in the personality and reality of Satan. (Revelation 12:9,10; Matthew 4:2-11; Isaiah 14:12-17; John 8:44)

We believe that Heaven is a place of eternal blessedness and that Hell is a place of eternal suffering. (2 Corinthians 5:1-10; Revelation 20:1-15, Revelation 21 and 22)