

Doctrinal Statement

1. We believe in the Old and New Testaments as verbally inspired of God, inerrant in the original writings and supreme and final authority in faith and life.
(2 Timothy 3:16,17; 2 Peter 1:19-21)
2. We believe in one God, eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
(Deuteronomy 6:4; Matthew 28:19; Ephesians 4:4-6)
3. We believe that Jesus Christ was begotten of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary and is true God and true man. We believe in the resurrection of the crucified body of our Lord, His ascension into heaven, and in His present life, there for us as High Priest and Advocate.
(1 Corinthians 15:1-8; Acts 1:1-11; 1 John 2:1; Hebrews 4:14-16; Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:18-25; John 1:1-14)
4. We believe that man was created in the image and likeness of God, that he sinned and thereby incurred not only physical death but also spiritual death which is separation from God, and that all human beings are born with a sinful nature.
(Genesis 1:26-27, 3:1-19; Romans 3:23, 5:12, 19, and 6:23)
5. We believe that salvation is only and altogether through confession of simple faith in Jesus Christ, who died for our sins according to the Scriptures as a representative and substitutionary sacrifice. We believe that this faith is manifested by works in keeping with repentance, and that without such faith, there can be no salvation here or hereafter. Furthermore, we believe that all born-again believers in Christ are kept eternally secure through the indwelling and sealing of the Holy Spirit and are called to live a Spirit-filled life.
(Romans 5:1-10, 8:1-17, 10:9-10; Ephesians 2:8-10, 5:18; James 2:14, 18, 26; Galatians 5:22)
6. We believe in the Holy Spirit, sent forth from the Father and Son to convict the world of sin, righteousness and judgment, and to regenerate, sanctify and empower all who believe in Jesus Christ. We believe that the Holy Spirit indwells every believer in Christ, and that He is an abiding helper, teacher and guide.
(John 14:16,17,26, 15:26,27, 16:9-14; Romans 8:9; 1 Corinthians 3:16, 6:19; Galatians 5:22-26)
7. We believe in the universal church, a living spiritual body of which Christ is the head and all regenerated persons are members. We believe in the local church, consisting of a company of believers in Jesus Christ, baptized by immersion upon a credible profession of faith, and associated for worship, instruction, service and evangelism.
(Ephesians 2:19-22, 5:19-21; Acts 1:8, 2:42; Hebrews 10:23-25)

8. We believe in the personal, bodily and pre-millennial return of our Lord Jesus Christ to set up His Kingdom upon the earth.
(Acts 1:11; Revelation 1:7; Revelation 19 and 20)
9. We believe in the bodily resurrection of the just and the unjust, the everlasting blessedness of the saved and the everlasting conscious punishment of the lost.
(1 Corinthians 15; Revelation 20:11-15)
10. We believe in the existence of angels. Angels are created by God as ministering spirits to serve those who will inherit eternal life. *(Hebrews 1:14)*
We believe they were created with intelligence and will; moral creatures of which some chose to follow Satan in his rebellion and are now fallen and eternally damned.
(2 Samuel 14:20; Mark 8:38; 2 Peter 2:4; Jude 6)

We believe that the worship of angels is idolatry.
(Colossians 2:18; Revelation 19:10)
11. We believe in the existence of Satan, the adversary of both God and His people. We believe that he was defeated, judged at the cross and his doom is certain. We are, therefore, able to resist him through the power of Christ.
(Genesis 3; Hebrews 2:14; 1 Peter 5:8-9; Revelation 12:9, 20:10)
12. We believe that the Lord has given his church two ordinances:
 - a. Baptism by immersion of the believer, in obedience to Christ's command, as a symbol of the death of the old life and the resurrection to the new life.
(Matthew 28:19; Romans 6:3-4; Colossians 2:11-12; 1 Peter 3:20b-21)
 - b. The Lord's Supper, which is to be administered to all believers only in accordance with the Word of God. *(1 Corinthians 11:17-32; Luke 22:14-19)*
13. We believe in evangelism and worldwide missionary endeavor.
(Matthew 28:19-20; Acts 1:8; Romans 13:1-7)