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# DOCTRINAL STATEMENT

## WHAT WE BELIEVE

### GOD

*Deuteronomy 6:4; John 10:30; John 17:21; 1 Timothy 2:4*

We believe in one God, eternally existing in three persons; Father, Son and Holy Spirit, three in one, co-equal, which is the Trinity.

### JESUS CHRIST

*Proverbs 8:22-36; Isaiah 9:6; Matthew 1:22-23; John 1:1-5, 5:39, 14:10-30; Acts 1:9-11; Romans 1:3-4; 1 Cor 15:3-4; 1 Tim 6:14-15; Titus 2:13; Heb 4:14-15*

Jesus Christ was begotten of God, conceived of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. Jesus died for our sins according to Scripture as a representative and substitutionary sacrifice, and that all who believe in him are justified on the grounds of his shed blood. Jesus was resurrected from his crucified body, he ascended into heaven, and is present there as High Priest and Advocate for all believers. There will be a “blessed hope,” the personal, premillennial, and imminent return of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

### HOLY SPIRIT

*John 14:16-17, 16:7-13; Acts 1:8; 1 Corinthians 2:12, 3:16; 2 Corinthians 3:17; Galatians 5:25; Ephesians 1:13; Ephesians 5:1*

The Holy Spirit is one of the three persons of the Trinity, who convicts the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment. He is the life of every believer, and he empowers the preaching and teaching of the gospel.

### BIBLE

*2 Timothy 3:16-17; Hebrews 4:12; 2 Peter 1:19-21, 3:15-16*

The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as verbally inspired of God and inerrant in the original writings, and that they are of supreme and final authority.

### PEOPLE

*Gen. 1:26-27; John 14:6; Romans 3:22-23, 5:12; Ephesians 2:1-3, 12; Philippians 2:10-11*

People were created in the image of God, that they sinned, and thereby incurred not only physical death, but spiritual death, which is separation from God, and that all human beings are born with a sinful nature and are sinners in thought, word, and deed.

## SALVATION

*2 Timothy 3:16-17; Hebrews 4:12; 2 Peter 1:19-21, 3:15-16*

All who receive by faith the Lord Jesus Christ are born again of the Holy Spirit and become children of God and heirs of eternal life. This is a relationship in which they are eternally secure.

There is a personal devil, who is working in the world to destroy the souls of people, and that he and all his angels, and all who do not receive Christ as their Savior, will eternally perish in the lake of fire.

## CHURCH

*Matthew 28:19-20; 1 Corinthians 12:12-14; 2 Corinthians 11:2; Ephesians 1:22-23; 5:25-27*

The Church is the Body of Christ, whose mission it is to preach the gospel to all the world with its endeavors being supported by the freewill gifts and offerings of the people.

The ordinances of the Church, given by our Lord, are baptism (by immersion following conversion), and the Lord's Table (Communion).