PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVE

Mt. Zion Baptist Church exists for the purpose of communicating the gospel of Jesus Christ, His atonement, His Lordship, for the encouragement of His Saints. The Church is comprised of members who have confessed their sin and their commitment to Jesus Christ and His leading of their lives. The Church is commissioned by Jesus Christ to maintain and to expand His Kingdom through the ongoing, Spirit-led work of Evangelism, Bible study, Worship, Prayer and Fellowship:

- *Worship:* We purposefully pursue joyful worship that exalts Jesus Christ and reaches people.
- Evangelism: Our life mission is to introduce people to the saving grace and love of Jesus Christ.
- *Fellowship:* We seek to be a spirit-filled, unified body of believers who encourages each other with a faithful and joyful love of Jesus Christ.
- *Ministry:* We strive to meet the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of our community by humbly serving as vessels of Jesus' love and compassion.
- *Discipleship:* We seek continual growth, development and transformation through learning more about Jesus through Bible study; persistent prayer, personal devotions, small group fellowship and corporate worship.

United by the grace of God in Christian experience and doctrinal belief, the members of this Church recognize and receive Jesus Christ as Supreme Lord and Lawgiver and the Holy Bible as the inspired Word of God and agree to accept it as our only rule of faith and practice. We recognize no obligation of religion or of conscience unless contained therein. Therefore, our objectives are:

- To maintain worship and observe Christian Ordinances.
- To study and practice Christian principles as taught in the New Testament.
- To save the lost at home and abroad.
- To promote and advance Christ's Kingdom throughout the world.
- To fellowship and worship with God-fearing people.
- To be an independent organization of spiritually reborn, water baptized through immersion, persons who profess faith in Jesus Christ; acknowledge Christian ordinances and accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.
- To provide a community sanctuary for acknowledging and teaching Baptist doctrines in accordance with the-Church Covenant.