

## Statement of Faith

The purpose of the statement of faith is twofold. First, it gives a clear and decisive answer to those who wish to know what we stand for. Second, and perhaps more importantly, it gives our church a common point of agreement so we can walk together in unity according to the Scriptures.

This We Believe:

1. That our God is triune in personality (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit), yet one God.
  - Deut 6:4
  - Matt 3:16–17
2. That all Scripture is given by the inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, reproof, correction, and instruction in righteousness.
  - 2 Tim 3:16
3. That God's people perish from a lack of His Word.
  - Hos 4:6
4. That the Word of God is alive and powerful, divides asunder the soul and spirit and joints and marrow, and discerns the thoughts and intents of our hearts.
  - Heb 4:12
5. That by the hearing of God's Word, faith comes to the believer.
  - Rom 10:17
6. That faith is exercised by believing in the heart, confessing what one believes of the Word of God, and being a doer of the Word and not a hearer only.
  - Mark 11:23
  - James 2:18
7. That through faith we have access to all the graces of God: salvation, water baptism, laying on of hands, baptism of the Holy Spirit, knowledge of His Word, answered prayer, and a personal relationship as a child of God.
  - Rom 5:2
  - Matt 9:29
8. That God wants all believers to be healthy and prosperous, and through His principle of giving and His law of sowing and reaping, we live under a more efficient economic system with God as our source and supply.
  - 3 John 2
  - Matt 6:31–33
9. That all believers have power over all the powers of the enemy, and they are to heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils, and preach the good news.
  - Luke 10:19
  - Matt 10:7–8

10. That the manifestation of the miraculous power of God is in the lives of all believers through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, through the fruit of the Spirit, the gifts of the Spirit, and the obedience to His Word.
  - 1 Cor 12:7–10
  - Gal 5:22
11. That Christ is an overcomer—victorious, more than a conqueror, and thus as His body, we are the same through Him.
  - Eph 1:19-23
12. That Christ is the Head of the Church, and all attention and Glory are directed to Him alone, and it is Christ whom we preach, praise, worship, and serve.
  - Eph 1:22
  - John 12:32
13. That the Head of the Church has given apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers for the perfecting of the saints for the work of the ministry and that these are actual, literal offices functioning in the Church today.
  - Eph 4:8, 11-12
14. That Christ will literally come again for His Church-perfected, without spot or blemish, looking for faith in the lives of believers.
  - Luke 18:8
  - Eph 5:27
  - 1 Thess 4:16-17
15. That all will be judged: the saints for their works, the sinners to condemnation, and satan and all his demons to the Lake of Fire.
  - 1 Co 3:13-15
  - Rev 20
16. That the saints, the bride of Christ, shall reign with Him forevermore.
  - 1 Thess 4:17
17. That all must be “born again” to enter the kingdom of God, to obtain His blessings, to have peace with God, and to meet Him in the air as His bride, without spot or blemish. This is done by believing in your heart and confessing with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and that God raised Him from the dead.
  - Rom 10:9
  - John 3:3