

THIS IS FOREVER.

OUR STATEMENT OF BELIEF.

- 1.** *We believe in the plenary, verbal inspiration and total inerrancy of the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as originally given by God*
- 2.** *We believe in One God in Three Persons. (The United Three - The Undivided One.)*
- 3.** *We believe in the essential Deity and perfect humanity and virgin birth of our Lord Jesus Christ.*
- 4.** *The personality of the Holy Spirit of God.*
- 5.** *The Evil personality called the Devil*
- 6.** *The creation of man in the image of God. The entrance of sin through Adam's disobedience, The fallen and totally depraved state of all men*
- 7.** *The justification of the sinner by God's grace alone through faith alone in the Lord Jesus Christ alone*
- 8.** *The Body of Christ made up of those drawn from every tribe, language, people and nation who are added to it by the work of the Holy Spirit and the exercise of faith in the Lord Jesus.*
- 9.** *The Scriptural expression of the Church, as established in the New Testament, in the world as the local company of baptised believers gathered under the headship of Christ in separation from all systems of belief that do not adhere to the Scriptures.*
- 10.** *Baptism – the immersion of a believer on the profession of their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.*
- 11.** *The priesthood of every believer and their unity in the Body of Christ.*
- 12.** *The unconditional immortality of the soul; The resurrection of the body; The eternal joy in Heaven of the believer and the conscious eternal punishment in Hell and the Lake of Fire of those who die unrepentant.*

WHAT WE BELIEVE

THE SCRIPTURES

We believe in the plenary, verbal inspiration and total inerrancy of the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as originally given by God. Their sole-sufficiency and final authority in all matters of faith and practice. (2 Tim. 3:16, 2 Peter 1:20-21.)

GOD

We believe in One God in Three Persons. (The United Three - The Undivided One.) The Holy Trinity, The Father, Son and Holy Spirit, co-equal, co-eternal, co-creative co-existent. Sovereign and active in creation, providence and redemption. (Deut. 6:4, Luke 3:21-22, John 10:30.)

THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

We believe in the essential Deity and perfect humanity of our Lord Jesus Christ. (John 1:1-3, John 1:14.) That He is the one and only Mediator between God and men. (1 Tim 2:5.)

His virgin birth, sinless life and Sacrificially Atoning death on the cross as the only Substitute for sinners. (Matt. 1:23, Luke 23:33, Heb. 10:12-14.)

His burial, bodily Resurrection and Ascension to heaven. (Mark 15:46, Mark 16:6, Luke 24:51.)

His High Priestly ministry. (Heb. 4:14, Heb. 7:24-26.)

His pre-tribulation, personal return for His saints. (John 14:3, 1Thess. 4:16-17, 1Thess. 5:9.)

His pre-millennial, post-tribulation Glorious Appearing with His saints, (Rev. 1:7, Rev. 19:11-15.) and His Millennial reign on earth. (Rev. 20:1-7.)

THE HOLY SPIRIT

The personality of the Holy Spirit and His work in glorifying Christ and convicting and regenerating the sinner. His sanctifying, sealing, indwelling, filling and empowering the believer. (John 14:26, John 16:8, Acts 13:2, 1Corinth. 1:30, 1Peter 1:2, John 17:17, Ephes. 1:13, 1 Corinth. 6:19-20, Ephes. 5:18, Acts 1:8)

THE DEVIL

The personality of the Devil (Gen 3:1, Job 1:6-7.) His evil activity and final doom. (Job 1:9-11, 1 Peter 5:8, Rev 20:10.)

MAN

The creation of man in the image of God (Gen 1:27); The entrance of sin through Adam's disobedience (Gen 3:17); The fallen and totally depraved state of all men (Rom. 5:12); Their subjection to God's wrath and condemnation (Rom. 5:18-19); Their responsibility to repent and believe the Gospel. (Luke 13:3, John 6:47.)

JUSTIFICATION

The justification of the sinner by God's grace alone through faith alone in the Lord Jesus Christ alone (Rom. 3:24, Eph. 2:8-9, Romans 5:1, 1 Peter 2:24); The eternal security of the believer (John 10:28-29. Hebrews 10:14.)

THE CHURCH

The body of Christ made up of those drawn from every tribe, language, people and nation who are added to it by the work of the Holy Spirit and the exercise of faith in the Lord Jesus (1 Cor 12:12-14); The Scriptural expression of the church, as established in the New Testament, in the world as the local company of baptised believers gathered under the headship of Christ for consistent worship and praise, fellowship, instruction and evangelism, in separation from all systems of belief that do not adhere to the Scriptures and are unfaithful to the Gospel of salvation by grace alone. (Acts 2:41-47, Acts 5:13-14, Heb 10:25, 1 Tim 3:15, 2 Cor 6:14-18); Baptism – the immersion of a believer on the profession of their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ (Acts 8:37-38.) and a symbol of their identification with Him in His death, burial and resurrection, (Romans 6:3-5.) and the Lord's supper being a remembrance of Christ until He comes, when a man will examine himself (1 Cor 11:23-29); The ministry of elders as those raised up by the Holy Spirit and recognised in the Fellowship to perform the Spiritual leadership of the Fellowship. (1 Tim 3:2-7.) The appointment of the Deacon chosen out by the assembly to perform the temporal matters within the Assembly (1Tim 3:8-13.) The gifts of evangelists, pastors and teachers. (Eph 4:11.) The priesthood of every believer and their unity in the Body of Christ (1 Peter 2:5+9, Rom. 12:4-5, Eph 4:3.) The separation of church and state. (2Timothy 2:4, 1Peter 2:11.)

THE FUTURE STATE

The unconditional immortality of the soul (John 3:15-16. Matthew 10:28.); the resurrection of the body (1 Thess. 4:16); the eternal joy in Heaven of the believer (Jude :24); the conscious eternal punishment in Hell and the Lake of Fire of those who die unrepentant. (Luke 16:23. Rev 20:15.)