



COVENANT *life*

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

CONCISE STATEMENT OF FAITH

ARTICLE I – TRINITY

We believe there is one God, eternally existing in three persons: God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost. (Deut. 6:4; Matthew 29:19; Mark 12:29; John 5:17-30)

ARTICLE II – THE SCRIPTURE

We believe the Bible is the inspired and infallible and authoritative Word of God. (II Timothy 3:15, 16)

ARTICLE III – CHRIST

We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal future return to the earth in power and glory to rule over the nations. (Isaiah 7:14; Hebrews 7:26; Acts 2:22; I Corinthians 15:3; Acts 1:9-11)

ARTICLE IV - SALVATION

We believe man was created good and upright, but fell from that place of perfection into a condition of spiritual depravity and in the absolute necessity of regeneration by the Holy Spirit for salvation because of the exceeding sinfulness of the human nature, and that all are justified on the single ground of faith in the shed blood of Christ, and that only by God's grace through faith alone are we saved (John 3:16-19; 5:24, Romans 3:23; 5:8-9, Ephesians 2:8-10, Titus 3:5, Romans 5:12-19).

ARTICLE V – COMMUNION AND WATER BAPTISM

We believe the ordinances of the church are the communion of the Lord's Supper and baptism in water by immersion, in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. (II Peter 1:4; I Corinthians 11:26; Matthew 28:19; Romans 6:4)

ARTICLE VI – SANCTIFICATION

We believe the Scriptures teach a life of holiness. Sanctification is a dedication unto God and a separation from that which is evil. We believe all believers should earnestly pursue sanctification by walking in obedience to God's Word. We further believe that the Christian is able to live a godly life by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. (Hebrews 12:14; I Peter 1:15-16; Philippians 2:12,13)

ARTICLE VII – CHURCH

We believe that the Church is the body of Christ, the habitations of God through the Spirit, with divine appointments for the fulfillment of her great commission. Each believer born of the Spirit is an integral part of the general assembly and church of the first-born who are enrolled in heaven. (Ephesians 1:22-23; 2:22; Hebrews 12:23)

ARTICLE VIII – HOLY SPIRIT

We believe that the gifts of the Spirit are in operation today and are for ministry to the saints and humanity as the Lord directs and we believe that the main evidence of a fuller in-filling of the Holy Spirit is the manifestation of the fruit of the Spirit in a believer's life. (1 Corinthians 12:4-11; Acts 2:38-39; 1 Peter 4:10; Galatians 5:22-23).

ARTICLE IX – HEALING

We believe that Christ's death on the cross provides healing for the human body, in answer to believing prayer, if and when it is in the sovereign will of God for that person. (Isaiah 53:4-5; Matthew 8:16-17; James 5:14-16)

ARTICLE X – ESCHATOLOGY

We believe in the second coming of Christ with His saints to rule and reign on the earth for a thousand years and in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; those who are saved unto the resurrection of life, and those who are not unto the resurrection of damnation. (John 5:28-29; Zechariah 14:5; Matthew 24:27, 30; Revelation 19:20; 20:11-15; 21:8)