

DOCTRINAL STATEMENT

1. We believe in the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as verbally inspired of God and inerrant in the original writings and that they are the final authority in faith and life. (II Tim. 3:16, 17).
2. We believe that in the present age, there is only one true Church, which is called the Body of Christ and that it is distinct from the earthly Kingdom Church of Acts 2 that was prophesied in the Old Testament. (I Cor. 12:13,27; Eph. 1:22-23; Rom. 10:12).
3. We believe in one God, eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Deut.6:4; Heb. 1:8, 9; John 1:1; Acts 5: 3, 9; II Cor. 13:14; I John 5:7; Eph. 4:4-6).
4. We believe that Jesus Christ was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary, and is true God and true man. (Luke 1:31,35).
5. We believe God is sovereign and that in His sovereignty, He has ordained that each person's eternal destiny depends on his or her choice. (Ps. 103:19; Rom. 8:28-39; I Cor. 1:21).
6. We believe that all have sinned and are spiritually dead (which is separation from God) and cannot save themselves. (Rom. 3:23).
7. We believe in the Gospel of Grace - that the Lord Jesus Christ was sinless and died for our sins according to the scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day. (Rom. 4:5, 25; Rom 10:9; I Cor. 15:3,4; II Cor. 5:21).
8. We believe in the resurrection of the crucified body of our Lord Jesus Christ, and His physical ascension into Heaven. (I Tim. 2:5, 6; Rom. 1:3, 4).
9. We affirm the ONLY way to be saved from the penalty of sin is by believing *The Gospel of Grace*. (Romans 1:16; Eph. 2:8,9)
10. We believe that all who choose to put their trust in the Gospel of Grace is at that moment sealed by the Holy Spirit. By this spiritual baptism, every member of the Body of Christ is identified with Christ in His death, burial, and resurrection. Considering the statement concerning the one divine baptism in Ephesians 4:5, we affirm that water baptism is not part of God's spiritual program for the Body of Christ in this Dispensation of Grace. (1 Cor. 1:17).
11. We believe that communion of the Lord's Supper as revealed through the Apostle Paul is to be observed by the Body of Christ until "He shall have come." The Lord's Supper is not an ordinance or a sacrament. (I Cor. 11:23-26).
12. We believe that every member of the Body of Christ has a perfect, eternal standing before God, and is eternally secure in Christ. (Eph. 1:13-14).

13. We affirm that in everything we are to pray and to share our requests with God. (Phil. 4:6).
14. Each believer is called by the grace of God to live a surrendered, Spirit-filled life apart from sin. (Titus 2:11-14; Rom 8:38,39; Eph. 5:18,19; Rom. 12:1,2).
15. We believe Christ will come to receive the members of His Body to Himself before the start of the tribulation. (I Thes. 4:13-18; I Cor. 15:51-53).
16. The Second Coming of Christ to the earth will be pre-millennial. In this coming, He will establish and rule over His millennial kingdom. (Zech. 14:4-9; Acts 1:9-11; Rev. 20:4-6).
17. We affirm believers are called to study all of God's Word rightly divided. (II Tim. 2:15).
18. We believe that our commission in this age of grace is to preach the Gospel of Grace to all people. and help them come to the knowledge of Truth. (I Tim. 2:4, II Cor. 5:18-20).
19. The Biblical account of Creation is true for the origin of all things. Atheistic and theistic evolution are rejected as being false. (Gen. 1:1-31; Ex. 20:11; Job 38:4; Col. 1:17).
20. Life of the unborn begins at conception, and abortion of the unborn is murder. (Matt. 1:18; Ecc.11:5; Ex. 21:22, 23).
21. Based upon Article III, (1) above, we believe that an intimate sexual relationship is a gift from God, designed exclusively for the marriage relationship between a man and a woman as husband and wife. (Gen 1:27; Heb. 13:4).