

ARTICLE II - STATEMENT OF FAITH

- 1. We believe that Holy Scripture is authoritative. The Bible is God's infallible, inerrant, inspired Word, which reveals the way of salvation, and is the guide for faith and conduct.
 - <u>2 Timothy 3:16 & 17</u> "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works."
 - <u>2 Peter 1:21</u> "For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost."
 - Thessalonians 2:13 "For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe."
- 2. We believe in one God who exists eternally in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Deuteronomy 6:4 "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD."

- <u>John 5:6 & 7</u> "This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth. For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one."
- <u>Matthew 28:19</u> "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."
- 3. We believe in the deity of Jesus Christ, His virgin birth, His sinless life and His miracles. He endured death on the cross as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. He rose from the dead and ascended to the right hand of the Father. He will return again to establish His Kingdom in righteousness and peace.

John 1:1-14

<u>John 8:58 & 59</u> "Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am. Then took they up stones to cast at him: but Jesus hid himself, and went out of the temple, going through the midst of them, and so passed by."

Isaiah 7:10-16

<u>Matthew 1:22 & 23</u> "Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us."

<u>Hebrews 4:15</u> "For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin."

<u>Matthew 26:28</u> "For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins". <u>Galatians 1:3 & 4</u> "Grace be to you and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ, Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father."

<u>1 Peter 2:24</u> "Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed."

<u>Acts 1:3</u> "To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God."

<u>Acts 17:31</u> "Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead." <u>Luke 24:50-53</u> "And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them. And it

came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy: And were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God. Amen."

<u>Romans 8:34</u> "Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us."

<u>Acts 1:11</u> "Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven."

<u>Matthew 26:64</u> "Jesus saith unto him, Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven."

- 4. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in Jesus Christ.
 - John 6: 39,40 "And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day. And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day."

 Romans 10:9,11-13 "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed. For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him."
- 5. We believe, that as Christian parents, it is our responsibility to educate our children, and that education should be based on Biblical truth and Christian doctrine.

<u>Ephesians 6:4</u> "And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord."

- 1 <u>Timothy</u> 6:20 & 21 "0 Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of science falsely so called: Which some professing have erred concerning the faith. Grace be with thee. Amen."
- 6. We believe in prayer for our children's education.

Psalm 145:18 "The LORD is nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth."

1 Thessalonians 5:17 "Pray without ceasing."

<u>Luke 18:1</u> "And he spake a parable unto them to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint." <u>John 14: 13 & 14</u> "And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it."

7. We are a non-denominational organization and, therefore, do not promote any specific denominational doctrine. We do, however, feel that one would have to agree with this statement of faith to become a member. The King James Version of the Bible has been used to reference these statements.