

Article 2 - Statement of Faith

The statement of faith does not exhaust the extent of this Church's faith. This church believes that the King James Bible (KJV) is the sole and final source for all we believe and it alone is the final authority in all matters of life. This church will not recognize any other version of the Bible as the complete, inspired, Word of God for the English-speaking people other than the King James Bible (KJV). The foregoing statement of faith highlights the fundamentals of our faith in a systematic fashion derived from God's Holy Word. It is therefore binding upon all members, meaning, no activities, events, or decisions can be permitted by any member or officer that conflict with the statement of faith. Let God be true and every man a liar (Romans 3:4).

Bibliology

The Bible is the inerrant, inspired, written revelation of God that has been perfectly preserved from its original autographs. It also has been accurately translated into English in the form of the 1611 King James Bible (Authorized Versions) and the editions that succeeded it, such as editions printed in 1629, 1638, 1762, 1769. We believe there is nothing lacking from the King James Bible and it is equal to the very autographs written from Moses all the way to the Apostle John. We believe the Bible is mankind's highest authority in all matters of faith and practice. The operations of this church shall always come under subjection to what is contained and taught in the holy Scriptures. The Bible is man's highest authority, and this church believes that it is sin to disobey what is taught in the Bible. The Word of God is to be desired more than gold, more than much fine gold, it is sweeter than honey and the honeycomb (Psalm 19:10). The following is the doctrinal position this church holds pertaining to the Bible:

1. The Bible is fully inspired (given by God), which is to say that every word of the Scriptures was purposefully given by God, and carries the message God intends for mankind to understand. The inspired words were given by God to chosen men as they wrote what God ordained to be included in His Scripture. The difference between inspired words and uninspired words is their origin and authority. The highest authority in all matters of life is the inspired Word of God. Any written word that is not inspired does not carry the same weight and authority that the inspired Word of God carries. This church has determined to obey the inspired Word of God. All scripture is given by inspiration of God. (2 Timothy ch3:16-17 / John ch17:6-17-19 / 2 Peter 1:ch1-21-ch2:3 / Exodus ch24: 2-4-8)
2. The Bible is the preserved (kept pure) Word of God. It has been left untainted and undefiled even in the face of many false translations and corruptions. It has remained just as God has intended it to. God Himself promised and supernaturally executes preservation through many different means that all result in the same outcome. The Scripture has never and will never lose its inspiration and authority. It has survived history, empires, criticism, and translation. It will survive the very destruction of the

earth. It will still remain the same inspired Word of God as it did before and as it will forever. The Scripture cannot be broken. (Matthew ch24: 1-**35**-41 / Psalms ch19:7-11 / Isaiah ch40:1-**8** / Psalm ch12:6-7/ Psalm ch119:89 / Psalm ch119:152 / 1 Peter 1:22-25 / Mark ch13:1-**31**-37 / Proverbs ch30:5-6 / Psalm ch119:160 / Jeremiah ch36 / Luke ch21:5-**33**-36 / Psalm ch119:89)

3. Scripture is both exalted by God and recognized personally by the Lord Jesus Christ. The Lord has magnified His word above all His name. (Psalm ch138:1-2 / Matthew ch4:1-11 / John ch10:22-**35**-38 / Luke ch24:1-**27**-35)
4. For the New Testament Christians, the written Word of God alone is the highest authority in all areas of life. The word of man is not higher than the Bible. The word of the church is not higher than the Bible. The word of angels is not higher than the Bible. Dreams, visions, and voices are not higher than the Bible. The Bible alone is the highest authority for the New Testament Christian. We have a more sure word of prophecy. (2 Timothy ch3:10-17 / 2 Timothy ch4: 1-4 / Titus ch1:1-11 / Matthew ch15:1-20/ 2 Peter 1:ch1-**20**-ch2:3 / Galatians ch12:1-12)
5. The Bible is perfect, meaning it needs no correction, nor does it need any additions or detractions. It is complete. The Bible is inerrant, meaning it has no error. There are no mistakes found in the inspired Word of God. The inerrancy of the Bible shows its divine origin and validates it as higher than any work of man. It is commanded by God that His Word be left untampered with. It is thus a sin to add to Scripture or take away from it. The Word of God is absolute truth, and truth does not need correction. His word is truth. (Revelation ch22:18-19 / Deuteronomy ch4:1-**2** / Deuteronomy ch12:28-**32** / Galatians ch1:1-12 / John ch17:6-**17**-19 / Psalm ch12: 6-7 / Matthew ch5:1-**18**-20 / Proverbs ch30:5 / John ch10:22-**35**-38)
6. The purpose of the Bible is to guide and instruct in all matters dealing with the body, soul, and spirit of man. It is profitable in all matters of life. It is to be desired, loved, meditated upon and studied intently. It is unwise to neglect it. Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way, by taking heed thereto according to thy word. (Psalm ch119:105 / 2 Timothy ch3:10-17 / Proverbs ch3:1-8 / Joshua ch1:1-8 / Hebrews ch4:1-13 / Romans ch10:1-**17**-21 / Hebrews ch1- ch2:**1**-6/ Matthew ch22:23-**29**-33 / Psalms ch119:105 / Colossians ch3:1-**16**-17 / John ch6:22-**63**-**68**-71 / Psalm ch119:1-9)

Theology

God is the Creator. He is holy, holy, holy! He is singular in being, but plural in person. He is preexistent, eternal, and immutable. He is both love and justice. He has chosen to reveal His specific characteristics to men through the holy Scriptures. His emphatic attribute is His holiness. There is none like Him. There is none that can surpass Him. There is none equal with Him. He is singularly the highest, holiest, and most supreme over all. Great is the Lord, and

greatly to be praised (Psalm 48:1). The following is the doctrinal position this church holds pertaining to God:

1. There is only one true God, there is no other. There is none before Him, there will be none after Him. He alone is God and forever will be. He is the Lord, there is none other beside Him.
1 Corinthians ch8:1-**4-6**-13 / 1 Timothy ch2:1-**5-6**-7 / James ch2:14-**19**-26 / Isaiah ch42:1-**8**-9 / Mark ch12:18-**29**-34 / Deuteronomy ch6:1-**4**-25 / Isaiah ch44:**6-8**-23
2. The one true God is made up of three persons. This is known as the Trinity or the Godhead. (Father, Word, and Holy Ghost). There are three that bear record in heaven, and these three are one.
1 John ch5:1-**7**-21 / Genesis ch1:1-**26**-31 / Matthew ch28:16-**19**-20 / Matthew ch3:13-17 / Romans 1:1-**20**-32 / Colossians ch2:8-**9**-23 /
3. God is the Creator. All things were made by Him and for Him, and by Him all things consist.
Isaiah ch44:24-28 / Genesis ch1:1 / Job ch36-ch41:1-34 / Romans 1:1-**18-20**-32 / Psalm ch8 / Psalm ch19: 1-6 / John ch1:1-5 / Nehemiah ch9:**16**-38
4. God is omnipotent (the ability to be all-powerful). With God, all things are possible.
Revelation ch19:1-**6**-10 / Matthew ch19:16-**26**-30 / Luke ch1:26-**37**-38 / Jeremiah 32:1-**17**-44
5. God is omnipresent (the ability to be in all places). The heavens of the heavens cannot contain him.
Jeremiah ch23:9-**24**-37 / Psalms 139:1-**7-8**-24 / 1 Kings 8:1-**27**-61
6. God is omniscient (the ability to know all things). His understanding is infinite.
Psalm ch147:1-**5**-14 / Psalm ch139 / Proverbs ch15:3 / 1 John ch3:18-**20**-24)
7. God is pre-existent (has no beginning), eternal (has no ending), and immutable (never changing). His throne is forever and ever. From everlasting to everlasting, He is God.
Hebrews ch6:13-**17-18**-20 / Colossians ch1:1-**17**-20 / Genesis ch1:1 / Psalm ch41:1-**13** / Malachi ch3:1-6 / James ch1:1-**17**-18 / Hebrews 13:1-**8**-25 / John ch17:1-**5-24**-26 /
8. God is holy. There is none holy as the Lord. Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.
1 Peter ch1:1-**15-16**-25 / 1 Samuel ch2:1-**2**-11 / Leviticus ch11:1-**44-47** / Leviticus ch19:1-**2**-37
9. God is just. It is a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulation. Revenge is mine saith the Lord.

Romans ch12:1-**19**-21 / Isaiah ch30:1-**18**-33 / Isaiah ch61:1-**8**-11 / Ecclesiastes ch3:1-**17**-22

10. God is love. He that loveth not knoweth not God, for God is love.
1 John ch4:7-21/ John ch3:1-**16**-21 / Ephesians ch5:21-**28**-33 / Romans 8:18-**39** / Galatians 2:11-**21**
11. God is perfect (sinless). There is no sin in Him. He cannot sin. He who knew no sin was made sin for us. God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.
Psalm ch18:1-**30**-50 / Hebrews ch4:14-16 / 1 John ch3:1-10 / 1John 1:1-(5)-10
12. God is sovereign (has total and complete authority and power over everything by right and having none above Him). This does not mean He always exercises His authority and power in all circumstances. This does not mean that God is responsible for every event that takes place or every action His creation takes. This simply means that nothing happens without the allowance of the all-knowing, all-powerful, all-present God of creation. Who hath measured the waters in the hollow of His hand, and meted out heaven with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance?
1 Chronicles ch29:11-13 / Isaiah ch46:1-**9-10**-13 / Colossians ch1:1-**16-17**-20 / Psalm ch115:1-3

Christology

The Lord Jesus Christ is the only begotten of the Father. He is the Son of God and God the Son. The pre-existent, eternal God. He is the Word in flesh. He is the image of the invisible God. The Lord Jesus Christ is God Himself. He is not a lesser god. He is not just a man or a prophet. He is not a creation. Jesus is God! He is the Creator of all things and in all things He deserves preeminence. He is the center of all biblical Christianity. He holds all power. He is God. At the name of Jesus, every knee shall bow of things in heavens and things in earth and things under the earth and every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. There is no other name under heaven given among men whereby mankind can be saved. The following is the doctrinal position this church holds pertaining to the Lord Jesus Christ:

1. Jesus is God. The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us. God was manifest in the flesh. He and the Father are one. He thought it not robbery to be equal with God.
John ch5:1-**18-23**-47 / John ch10:22-**30**-42 / Philippians ch2:1-**5-6**-11 / 1 Timothy ch3:1-**15-16** / John ch1:1-**3,14**-18 / Colossians ch1:1-**13-17**-20 / Acts ch20:17-**28**-38 / Isaiah ch8-ch9:**6**-7/ Hebrews ch1:1-**8**-ch3:19 / John ch20:1-**27-29**-31 / John 14 / John ch8:1-**58**-59 / 2 Peter ch1:1 / Titus ch2:11-15 / Matthew ch1:28-**23**-25 / Colossians ch2:8-**9**-15

2. The Lord Jesus Christ at His birth became fully man without ever relinquishing any of His deity. This is classified as the hypostatic union (being fully God whilst also being fully man). In this process, His human body was begotten to be a robe of flesh to veil His deity and allow Him to walk among us and live as we live. He gave up the glory of being on His heavenly throne while on Earth, but He never gave up His deity. Who being in the form of God took on the form of a servant and made Himself of no reputation.
John ch1:1-**14-18**/ Hebrews ch4:14-16 / Hebrews ch2: 5-**14-16** / Galatians ch3-ch4:**4-11** / Colossians ch2:8-**9-15** / John ch17:1-5 / Philipians ch2:1-**7-11** / 1 Timothy ch3:1-**15-16**

3. Being fully God also means He is pre-existent, eternal, infallible, sinless, and the Creator of all things. These are the attributes of the one true God. He is before all things and by Him all things consist.
John ch1: 1 / 1 John ch1: 1-3 / John ch8:1-**58-59** / Genesis ch1: 26 / John ch1:1-4 / 2 Corinthians ch5:11-**21** / Hebrews ch4:14-16/ Colossians ch1:1-**13-17-20**/ John ch17:1-5/

4. Jesus Christ Himself claimed to be God. He said, "I am the Alpha and Omega, and beginning and the ending."
John ch10:22-**30-42**/ John ch5:1-**18-23-47** / John ch8:1-**58-59** / Revelation ch1:1-**8** / Revelation ch22:6-12-**13**

5. The Lord Jesus Christ was born of a virgin. Behold a virgin shall conceive and bring forth a son and his name shall be called Emmanuel.
Matthew ch1: 18-25 / Luke ch1: 26-38 / Isaiah ch7:1-**14-25**

6. The Lord Jesus Christ came to this world to save mankind from sin. The process in which The Lord Jesus Christ saved mankind from sin is by the shedding of His perfect blood as a sacrificial atonement on behalf of humanity. He is the only way to be saved. He alone is the Savior. He is the way, the truth, and the life, no man comes to the Father but by Him.
Matthew ch5:1-**17-20** / John ch1: 29-30 / Isaiah ch53 / John ch3:1-**16-18-21** / 1 Peter ch1:1-**18-19-25** / Hebrews ch9-ch10 / Acts ch20:17-**28-38** / Colossians ch1:1-**13-17-20** / Ephesians ch1:1-**7-14** / 1 John ch1:1-**7-10** / Hebrews ch13:7-**12-15** / Matthew ch26:17-**28-35** / Revelation ch1: 4-**5-8** / John ch10 / John ch14:**6-14** / John ch3:1-21

7. After His death, Jesus Christ rose from the grave, proving His deity and His power over death itself. This allows those who put their trust in Him to also be resurrected with Him in glory. Oh death where is thy sting? Oh grave where is thy victory?
1 Corinthians ch15 / John ch11:17-**25-44** / Luke ch24 / 1 Thessalonians ch4:13-**14-18** / Revelation ch1: 9-**18-20** / John ch6:22-**40-59** / Romans ch8:1-**11-39** / Romans ch6:1-**14-20** / 1 Peter 1:1-**3-25**

8. At this very moment, The Lord Jesus Christ is acting as our High Priest and mediator. He sits at the right hand of the Father making intercession for us. We have one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.
Hebrews ch1:1-**3**-14 / Hebrews ch7 / Hebrews ch12:1-**2-24**-39 / Acts ch6-ch7:1-**55**-60 / Hebrews ch4:14-16/ Hebrews ch9:1-**11-15**-28 / 1 Timothy ch2: 5-6 / Romans ch8:1-**34**-39
9. Jesus Christ is coming again to rule and to reign as our King for all of eternity. He is the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords.
Revelation ch1: 1-**7**-20 / Hebrews ch9:1-**28**/ Matthew ch24-ch25:1-**31-46** / Titus ch1-ch2:1-1-**13**-15 / Revelation 19:1-**11-16**-ch22 / 1 Thessalonians ch4:13-**16**-18/ Matthew ch16:21-**27**-28 / John ch14

Soteriology

Every man is a sinner, and God's chosen punishment for sin is torment in Hell and eternal torment in the Lake of Fire. However, God loves His creation and is not willing that any should perish, thus He made a way through Christ for man to be saved from sin. He that hath the Son hath life, he that hath not the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abideth on him. The following is the doctrinal position this church holds pertaining to salvation:

1. Mankind is naturally sinful and there is none on the earth without sin. For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God.
Romans ch1-ch3:**10-23**-31/ Psalm ch14:**1-4**-7 / Romans ch5:1-**12**-21 / 1 John ch1/ Psalm 51:1-**5**-19
2. All sin requires punishment, and the punishment God has chosen is torment in a literal place called Hell and eternal torment in a literal place called the Lake of Fire. (The Scripture does not teach total annihilation of the soul. We understand the soul of a man exists for all of eternity after its creation). This is the second death, and whosoever was not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.
Revelation ch20:10-15 / Mark ch16:15-**5**-20 / Revelation ch21:1-8-27 / Matthew ch25:31-46 / Matthew ch13:36-53 / 2 Thessalonians ch1:1-**8-9**-12 / Revelation 14:6-**9-11**-20
3. God doesn't want a single person to go to Hell. He has shed His own blood for all men to escape the fires of Hell. The grace of God hath appeared to all men.
2 Peter 3:1-**9**-18 / John ch3:14-18 / Matthew ch18:10-14 / 1 John 2:1-2 / Ezekiel ch18:1-**23-32** / John ch12:20-**32**-36 / 1 Timothy 2:1-**4** / Hebrews ch2:5-**9**-18
4. Jesus took on our punishment as our propitiation, sacrifice, and representative on the cross. This sacrifice made a way for us to be forgiven of all our sins and saved from our

rightful punishment in Hell. He who knew no sin became sin for us, taking the ordinances that were against us and nailed it to His cross.

1 John ch2:1-2 / 1 Peter ch3:14-**18-22** / Isaiah ch53:1-5-12 / John ch11:1-**25-26-44** / 1 John ch3:1-**5-10** / Colossians ch2:8-**14-15** / Hebrews ch9:1-**12-14-28** / 1 Timothy ch2: 5-6 / Romans ch3:21-**25-28** / 1 John ch4:8-**10** / 2 Corinthians ch5: 19-21 / Hebrews 2:5-**17-18** / 1 Corinthians ch15:3-4 / Romans ch5:8-9

5. Jesus is the one and only way to salvation. Neither is there salvation in any other.
John ch5:17-**24-29** / John ch13:33-ch14:1-**6-14** / John ch3:22-**36-38** / Romans ch10:1-**9-21** / Acts ch4:1-**12-22** / Acts ch16:16-**30-31-40** / John ch3:1-**16-21** /
6. Christ's death and resurrection were absolutely necessary for salvation to be made available to man. If Christ be not raised, we are yet in our sins.
1 Corinthians ch15:1-**12-17-58** / 1 Thessalonians ch4:13-**14-18** / Romans ch8:1-**11-17** / 1 Peter ch1:1-**3-13**
7. Salvation is not forced, it is offered. Ultimately, it is the choice of the individual whether or not they will be saved, not God. Whosoever will may come.
John ch3:1-**16-21** / Romans ch10:1-**9-13-20** / Acts ch2:1-**41-47** / Revelation ch22:6-**17-21**
8. Salvation is received only by grace through faith and has nothing to do with any physical action, work, or ceremony. **(We believe works-based salvation, and baptismal regeneration is heresy)**. Believe on the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved.
Titus ch3:1-**5-7-11** / Ephesians 2: 1-**8-9-10** / Romans ch4 / Hebrews Ch11 / Romans ch10:1-**13-20** / Romans ch5:12-**17-18-21** / Philippians ch3:1-**9-11** / Galatians ch2:11-**16-17-21**
9. A person needs only to be saved once, and never again. There is nothing an individual can do to lose their salvation after they receive it. Once saved, always saved. Nothing can separate us from the love of God, ye are sealed with that holy Spirit of promise until the day of redemption. We have eternal security.
Galatians ch4 / John ch5:1-**24-29** / Jude ch1:**24-25** / 1 John ch5/ Ephesians ch4:17-**30-32** / 2 Corinthians ch1:12-**22-24** / John ch10:22-**27-28-42** / Ephesians ch1:13-14
10. The position of an individual at salvation changes from condemned to justified, from a child of the devil to a child of God, and from lost to redeemed. Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.
Galatians ch4 / Titus ch3:1-**7-11** / 2 Corinthians ch5:11-**17-21** / Romans ch6:1-14 / Galatians ch2:11-**20-21**

11. The promises to the saved are: justification (positionally declared righteous, clean, perfect in the eyes of God), sanctification (daily being conformed to the image of Christ in word, deed, and thought as life continues in a sin-cursed flesh and world), glorification (the promise of future translation from the sinful flesh and world to a perfect body and perfect dwelling place). We shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.
1 Corinthians ch6:1-**8-11** / 2 Timothy ch2:14-**21-26** / Philippians ch1:3-**6-11** / Romans ch8:18-**30-39** / Philippians ch3:1-**21** / 1 John ch3:1-10
12. The dwelling place of the saved after death is in heaven with God (**we do not believe in soul sleep, purgatory, reincarnation, or new Eden inheritance**) until the Lord returns to the Earth and establishes His kingdom and eventually New Jerusalem. He goes to prepare a place for you.
John ch14 / 2 Corinthians ch5:1-**8-10** / Revelation ch7:9-17 / Luke ch13:22-30 /

Pneumatology

The Holy Spirit is co-equal with all other parts of the Godhead. He is a person, not a force. He works in the hearts of men to convict them of sin and draw them to repentance. He personally indwells permanently in the New Testament believer and seals them until the day of redemption. The Holy Spirit is God, and He works in a very specific way in our time. The following is the doctrinal position this church holds pertaining to the Holy Spirit, that Holy Spirit of promise:

1. The Holy Spirit is the third part of an equal trinity that makes up the God-head (the three persons of God). The Holy Spirit is a deity equal to Father and Word. The Holy Spirit is God. The Spirit of Truth.
Acts ch5:1-**3-4-16** / 2 Corinthians ch3:1-**17-18** / Psalm ch139:1-**7-24** / Genesis ch1:1-**26-31** / 1 John ch5:1-**7-21** /
2. The Holy Spirit is not a force, He is a person. He may abide with you forever.
Acts 5: 1-3/ Ephesians ch4:17-**30-32** / John ch16:1-**13-15** / John ch14:1-**17-31**
3. The Holy Spirit's ministry to the believer in New Testament times is as follows: He teaches, indwells, guides, intercedes, fills, baptizes, gives gifts, convicts, seals, assures, and produces fruit in the believer. He will teach you all things whatsoever Christ has said to you.
John ch14:1-**18-31** / Romans ch8:1-17-**26-27-39** / 1 Corinthians ch6:12-**19-20** / John ch14:1-**17-31** / 2 Timothy ch1:1-**14-18** / Ephesians ch1:1-**13-14** / Ephesians ch4:17-**30-32** / 1 Corinthians ch12:1-**13-31** / Ephesians ch5:1-**18-20** / Galatians ch5:1-**22-26**
4. The Holy Spirit's ministry to the lost in New Testament times is as follows: He restrains, convicts, and draws. He will reprove the world of sin.
John ch16: 1-**7-11-15** / 2 Thessalonians ch2:1-**7-12**

5. The Holy Spirit glorifies Jesus. He shall speak nothing of Himself.
John ch16: 1-**7-11-15**
6. Christ baptizes believers with the Holy Spirit, which is synonymous with salvation. For by one Spirit are ye all baptized into one body.
Matthew ch3:1-**11-12** / Mark ch1:1-**8** / John ch1:19-**33-42** / Luke ch3:1-**16-20** / Acts ch1:1-**5-14** / Acts ch11:1-**16-18** / Acts ch10:1-**47-48**
7. We DO NOT believe that the Apostolic (pertaining to the apostles) power such as healing, prophesying, and speaking in tongues that is evident in the book of Acts is available to believers today. The reason for this is that signs and wonders served their purpose in the transitional time of the Book of Acts. Now, they are no longer edifying to the church-age believer. We have the completed Word of God that gives us our authority and have no further need of signs and wonders to validate our message, thus the Holy Spirit does not work in that way anymore. Signs were for the Apostles and with the passing of the Apostles there is no more need for signs.

2 Peter ch1:1-21 / Revelation ch 22:6-**19-21** / 2 Timothy ch3:16-17 / 1 Corinthians ch14:1-**6-8-9-19-23-40** / 1 Corinthians 15:1-8

Further proof that “faith healers” and “tongue speakers” “apostles” and “prophets” are no longer gifts or positions that are in effect

Mark 16:1-**17-18-20** (those that can heal and speak in tongues can also be bit by serpents and drink poisonous substances without being hurt. Additionally, those that heal don't pray, they don't call down the Spirit they just lay their hands on the sick, and they are healed)

Acts ch1:15-**21-22-26** (apostles must have followed Jesus during His life and seen Him after His resurrection, thus there are no apostles today, and none that possess apostolic power)

Acts ch3:1-10 / Matthew 4:18-**23-24-25** / Matthew ch26: 47-**51-56** / Mark ch6: 1-**5-6** / Acts ch5:1-**15-16** / John ch5: 1-16 (1. Healing was not always by faith, all that came got healed, and some that didn't even believe still got healed 2. There were no duds, mistakes, or failures in healing. Every Time there was a healing it was successful.)

Anthropology

Mankind is the creation of God and the image bearer of God through Adam. Mankind is the only creation that carries in it the breath of God and is the only creation that can claim the inheritance of Jesus Christ. Mankind is the crown of creation and is lovingly made absolutely unique from any other of God's creations, spiritual or physical. For God hath made man a little

lower than the angels and hath crowned him with glory and honor. The following is the doctrinal position this church holds pertaining to mankind:

1. Adam is the father of all mankind and every human thereafter was made in the image of Adam. God created man in His own image, and Adam begat sons after his own image. 1 Corinthians ch15:1-**22-45**-58 / Genesis ch2:4-**7**-25 / Genesis ch1: 26-27 / Romans ch5:12-**14-21** / Isaiah ch43:22-**27**-28 / Genesis ch5: 3
2. Adam and Eve lived in perfect paradise. They had perfect bodies with a perfect relationship with God, but they both exercised their free will and chose to sin. Thus cursed all mankind and the Earth itself with corruption. For by one man sin entered into the world and death by sin.
Genesis 2 / Genesis 3 / 1 Corinthians ch15:1-**22**-58 / Romans ch5:**12-19**-21
3. Every human being that ever has and ever will exist (excluding the Lord Jesus Christ) has and will continue to sin until they receive their glorified bodies in Heaven. It is the nature of man, after the fall, to sin. Our righteousness is filthy rags.
Romans 3:1-**10-23**-31 / Psalm ch14:1-3 / Psalm ch53:1-3 / Ecclesiastes ch7:1-**20**-29 / Psalm 58:1-**3**-11 / Colossians ch 3:1-**5-9-10**-17 / Romans ch8: 1-17 / 1 John ch1:5-10 /
4. This church does not believe in the idea of original sin, meaning mankind is charged with the sins Adam committed. No man is guilty for the sins of another. There are consequences for sin that extend to another, but the condemnation of sin rests on the one who commits sin. Thus this church believes that infants are not charged with the sins of Adam or their father and do not need salvation until they, knowing right, choose to transgress the law of God. Adam gave us the nature to sin, but every man shall be judged by his own works, not the works of another.
Ezekiel ch18:19-**20**-23 / Deuteronomy ch24:16 / Romans ch2:6-9 / Matthew ch16:21-28 / Jeremiah ch21:29-30 / Revelation ch20:12 /
5. Mankind, the nation of Israel, and the body of Christ were created for God's pleasure and to bring Him glory. All things were created by Him and for Him.
Isaiah ch43:1-**7**-21 / Ephesians ch2:8-**10** / Titus 2:11-**14**-15 / Ephesians ch1: 1-14
6. Man is a free moral agent, meaning God has allowed them to act in accordance to their own free will. Though God in His sovereignty certainly has the right to override man's free will and imposes His perfect and holy will, in His love He allows all mankind to freely dictate certain aspects of their life. Chiefly, whether or not they will receive or reject salvation. We are minded of our own free will to act.
Ezra ch7:13 / Deuteronomy ch30 / Genesis ch4:1-**7** / James ch1:13-16 / Proverbs ch1:27-**29**-33 / Acts ch7:**51**-53 / Revelation ch22:17 /

Hamartiology

Sin is the curse that plagues mankind and his dwelling place. Sin is what separates mankind from its Creator. Sin is what condemns all sentient beings to torment. Sin is the opposite of God's holy character. Sin is the cause of death and corruption, and man is the cause of sin on the earth. Sin when it is finished bringeth forth death. The following is the doctrinal position this church holds pertaining to sin:

1. Sin is the transgression of God's law, the opposite of God's character, and moral corruption in the eyes of God. In a broad sense sin is anything that isn't perfect. In relation to man, sin is the idea of man missing the mark. God demands us to be perfectly holy and pure for us to dwell with him, and we have come short of that demand. All have sinned.
Romans ch3:21-**23**-31 / 1 John 3:1-**4**-10 / Numbers ch14 / Number ch21:1-9 / numbers ch25 /
2. A saved individual is no longer considered a sinner positionally. In a practical sense, they are still a sinner who commits sin until their spirit is detached from their body and their soul is made perfect at their death. A saved individual, while still a sinner on earth, can increasingly detach themselves from their sinful desires as they grow closer to God. (we do not believe in sinless perfectionism. As long as man has unglorified flesh, man will have sin). Walk in the spirit and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.
Romans ch6:1-14 / James ch1 / Galatians ch5:13-**16**-26 / 1 Peter ch1:13-**15**-16
3. Sin is committed in the body (action) and soul (thought). The heart is desperately wicked.
James ch2 8-13 / Matthew ch5:21-32 / Mark ch7:15-23 / Jeremiah ch17:1-**9**-18 / 1 John ch3: 11-**15**-17 / Galatians ch5:19-21
4. To sin is the choice of man and the nature of man. If thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door.
James ch4:1-**17** / Genesis ch4: 4-7 / Ezekiel ch19 / Romans ch12: 9 / Leviticus ch26 / Deuteronomy ch28
5. God's holiness cannot tolerate sin. The face of the Lord is against all those who do evil.
Habakkuk ch1:12-**13**-17 / 1 John ch1:1-**5**-10 / Leviticus ch11: 44-47
6. God hates sin and punishes sin. The wages of sin is death.
Genesis ch6 / Revelation ch21:8 / Proverbs ch6:16-19 / Romans ch6:15-**23** / 2
7. Sin always brings death. Sin when it is finished bringeth death.
Hebrews ch9:24-28 / Romans ch6:15-23 / Romans ch5:12-21 / Ephesians ch2:1 / James ch1:12-15 / Romans ch7:7-**13**-25

Because of the culture in the period of time this document was written, there is a need to shed light on things that are socially accepted that the Bible specifically calls sin. It is against our faith to practice or condone sin, and it is our God-given duty to live in opposition to anything God calls sin, such as...

1. Fornication (sex before marriage) and adultery (sex outside of marriage). Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost?
Galatians ch5:**19**-26 / Leviticus ch20:10 / 1 Corinthians ch6:9-11 / 1 Corinthians ch7:1-5 / 1 Corinthians ch6:12-20 / Hebrews ch13:4 / Matthew ch5:37-32 / 1 Thessalonians ch4:3-4
2. Homosexuality (sodomy). For this cause, God gave them up unto vile affections to do that which is against nature.
Leviticus ch20:13 / 1 Corinthians ch6:9-11 / 1 Timothy ch1:9-**10**-11 / Jude ch1:7 / 1 Kings ch14:21-**24** / Leviticus ch18: 22 / Romans ch1:24-27
3. Transgenderism. The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are an abomination unto the Lord thy God.
Deuteronomy ch22:5 / Mark ch10:1- **6-9**-12 / 1 Corinthians ch11:1-16 / 1 Corinthians ch6:**9**-11
4. Abortion. Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee, and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee.
Exodus ch20:13 / Exodus ch21:22-25 / Jeremiah ch1:1-5 / Psalm ch22:10 / Psalm ch106:37-39 / Psalm ch139:13-14
5. Unbiblical Divorce. Let her remain unmarried or be reconciled to her husband.
Luke ch16:18 / 1 Corinthians ch7:10-11 / Malachi ch2:13-17 / Matthew ch19:3-9 / Romans ch7:1-4 / 1 Corinthians ch7
6. Lawsuits between believers. In longsuffering forbear one another in love.
1 Corinthians ch6:1-11 / Ephesians ch4:31-32 / Matthew ch18:15-17 / Romans ch12:1-18-21
7. Abstaining from physically congregating as an assembly. Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together.
Hebrews ch10:24-25 / Matthew ch18:15-**20** / 1 Thessalonians ch5: 11 / Acts ch2:42-47 / Acts ch2:1 / Colossians ch3:16 / Psalm ch89:5 / Psalm ch107:32 / Psalm ch111:1 / Psalm ch149:1

8. Disobedience to civil law that does not contradict the teachings of the Word Of God. Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers.
Romans ch13:1-7 / 1 Peter ch2:13-14 / Mark ch12:14-17
9. Allowance of females in leadership positions over men in the church. Women are not permitted to hold a position of authority within the church unless they are teaching children or other women. There is no circumstance where women are allowed to preach to full-grown men, hold the biblical position of deacon, hold the man-instituted position of trustee, or hold the biblical position of pastor. Suffer not a woman to usurp authority over the man.
1 Timothy ch2:8-15 / 1 Timothy 3:1-15 / Titus ch1 / Titus ch2 / 1 Corinthians ch14:33-35
10. Neglecting to financially support the local church. Thou shalt not muzzle the ox.
1 Timothy ch5:7-18 / Acts ch20:35 / 2 Corinthians ch9:5-15 / 1 Corinthians ch16:1-4 / Acts ch4:32-37 / Proverbs ch3:9-10 / Matthew ch22:15-22 / Mark ch12:41-44 / 2 Kings ch12:1-9-21 /

Ecclesiology

God has established the church to act as His body and representative in the world. The church makes up the grand sum of every New Testament believer and is divided into local autonomous congregations spread throughout the world. The church is both universal in the sense that every New Testament believer is a part of it and autonomous in the sense that individual local bodies are responsible for governing themselves and being independent of all other Christian assemblies. The church of God which He purchased with His own blood.

1. The church is the body and bride of Christ. (the universal church). Christ is the head of the body, the church.
1 Corinthians ch12 / Colossians ch1:15-18-20 / Romans ch12:1-8 / Ephesians ch4:7-12-16 Ephesians 1: 17-22-23b/ Ephesians ch5: 23
2. Every saved individual is placed in the church through the baptism of the Holy Ghost. For by one Spirit are ye baptized into one body.
1 Corinthians ch12:13 / Galatians ch3:26-29 / Galatians ch3:14
3. To be in the body of Christ, you must be baptized in the spirit. The baptism of the spirit began at Pentecost, thus this church believes the universal or spiritual church began at Pentecost with the Apostles. Ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.
Acts ch1:4-8 / Acts ch2:1-4 / Acts ch11:15-17
4. The church is universal or spiritual in the sense of saved individuals being a part of the body of Christ, however, the church will not universally meet till Christ returns to take away his bride (the church) in the rapture. Though it is not commanded, we hold to the

principle that the universal church should gather and operate as independent autonomous, self-governing, separate entities. To the churches.

Revelation ch1:10-11 / 2 Corinthians ch11:7-9 / Galatians ch1:20-24 / 1 Corinthians ch11:1-16 / 2 Corinthians ch8:1 / Galatians ch1:2 / Romans ch16:16 / 2 Corinthians ch12:11-13 / Acts ch16:1-5

5. The individual church has two ordinances and one mission. They are commanded to carry out Baptism and The Lord's Supper as ordinances as they fulfill the commission of reaching the world with the gospel. This is done in remembrance of Christ.
1 Corinthians ch11:1-2 / Matthew ch28:16-20 / Mark ch16:14-18 / Luke ch22:14-30 / 1 Corinthians ch11:17-34
6. Water baptism is done by full immersion. The word baptize means to fully submerge in something. Any other form of baptism is illogical and unbiblical. Jesus went down into the water and came up out of the water.
Matthew ch3:13-17 / Mark ch1:9-13 / Acts ch8:26-40 / Colossians ch2:10-12
7. Water baptism plays no part in salvation. (We understand the scripture does speak of a baptism that is a part of salvation, and we know this to be the baptism of the Holy Spirit that takes place at salvation and not the physical action of water baptism). Christ sent me not to baptize but to preach the gospel.
Acts ch10:44-48 / Titus ch3:5-7 / Ephesians ch2:8-9 / Romans ch4:1-12 / Romans ch10:1-13 / Romans ch5:12-21 / Philippians ch3:9 / Galatians ch2:16-17 / 1 Corinthians ch1:17
8. Baptism is only for those who have been saved. If thou believest thou mayest.
Acts ch8:36-39 / Acts ch2:41 / Acts ch16:30-33 / Acts ch10:44-48
9. The Lord's supper plays no part in salvation. This do in remembrance of Christ.
Titus ch3:5-7 / Ephesians ch2:8-9 / Romans ch4:1-12 / Romans ch10:1-13 / Romans ch5:12-21 / Philippians ch3:9 / Galatians ch2:16-17
10. The church is to be led by the pastor. His role is to oversee the administration, shepherd the people, and teach sound doctrine. Take heed unto the flock which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers.
1 Timothy ch3:1-7 / Hebrews 13: 7 / 1 Timothy ch5:17 / Titus ch1:5-9 / 1 Thessalonians ch5:12-13 / Acts ch20:28
11. The church is to have serving men called deacons to assist the physical ministry of the church. Look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we have appointed over this business.
Acts ch6:1-4 / 1 Timothy ch3:8-16

12. The purpose of the church is the fulfillment of the great commission and the edification of the saints. The church is the pillar and ground of the truth.
Ephesians ch4:11-16 / 2 Timothy ch2:1-2 / Acts ch13 / Matthew ch28:16-20 / Mark ch16:14-18

13. The church has the right to discipline disorderly members. Reasons for discipline and dismissal mentioned in scripture are propagation of, immorality, and unrepentant disobedience of scripture (How and why this church deals with discipline and dismissal are detailed in 5.06). Mark them, avoid them.
2 Thessalonians ch3:6-15 / 1 Corinthians ch5 / Romans ch16:1-17-27 / 2 Corinthians ch11:1-15 / Titus ch3:10-11

The heart of Christ is not condemnation but reconciliation. God seeks to restore, not destroy. For restoration and reconciliation to be possible, the offender must repent. If the offender chooses not to repent, then fellowship must be broken. The heart of this Church is to seek resolution before discipline or dismissal (Galatians ch6:1)

14. The Church has not replaced Israel. The church obviously has not received the same promises that were given to the Jews in the Old Testament of land, seed, and blessing. The church does not play a major role in eschatology after the rapture. Jesus will not sit in the church when He reigns, He will sit on the throne of David in Jerusalem. God has not designed the architecture of New Jerusalem with the church in mind, but with Israel. Israel is the only nation God has ever promised national restoration in His Kingdom. The 144,000 chosen men in the tribulation are all Jewish. Israel is the land chosen for the final battle mentioned in Revelation. The Tribulation exists for Israel. The church is not promised a physical inheritance, but Israel is. Hath God cast away His people? God forbid.
Romans ch11 / Romans ch9:4-5 / Acts ch15:15-16

Eschatology

The church will not last forever. At the end of this age, Christ will bring about a great tribulation, a millennial kingdom, and the eternal physical kingdom on earth.

1. There will be a pre-tribulation rapture (a snatching away of Christ's Church before the beginning of the tribulation). Look for that blessed hope and glorious appearing of the great God and Savior Jesus Christ, even so, come quickly Lord Jesus, for we are not of the night, nor of darkness that the day should overtake us as a thief, we are children of light.
1 Thessalonians ch4:13-18 / 1 Corinthians ch15:51-58 / Revelation ch3:10 / 1 Thessalonians ch1:10 / 1 Thessalonians ch5:9 / 2 Thessalonians ch2:1-12

2. There will be a judgment seat of Christ for all who are saved. This is for their works to be judged, not for salvation, but for reward. We shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ.
1 Corinthians ch3:11-15 / 2 Corinthians ch5:10 / Romans 14: 10 / Matthew ch25 / Ephesians 6: 8 / Revelation ch22: 12
3. There will be a seven-year tribulation upon the earth. Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.
Revelation 6,8,9,16,18 / Daniel 9 / Jeremiah ch30:7
4. There will be 1,000 years that Christ reigns on the earth ending with the Great White Throne of Judgment where all evil is cast into the Lake of Fire. And I saw a great white throne and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away.
Revelation 20 / Zecharia ch14 / Daniel ch7
5. God will make a new Heaven and new Earth where all of His children shall dwell for all eternity.
Revelation ch21

Angelology

Angels, devils, Satan, and spiritual warfare, though unseen, are a major aspect of life. God created other sentient beings besides humans, and they play a very active role in an individual's day-to-day life. The following is what this church believes pertaining to angels.

1. Angels are created beings.
Colossians ch1:16
2. Angels are present in the physical world.
Hebrews ch13:2
3. Angels are servants of God and ministers to us.
Hebrews Ch1 / Psalm 34: 7 / Revelation 19: 10 /
4. Satan was once an angel.
Ezekiel ch28 / Isaiah ch4:4-**12**-14
5. Satan and his devils have real power and authority, and control.
2 Corinthians ch4:3-4 / Luke ch4:1-**6**-13 / Ephesians ch2:1-4 / John 13: 2
6. Satan is the great deceiver and our adversary.

1 Peter ch5:8 / 2 corinthians ch11:1-~~14~~-15 / Revelation ch12:9

7. Everyone who is not saved is a child of the devil.
John ch8:31-47 / 2 Corinthians ch11:3