

DOCTRINAL STATEMENT

I. BIBLIOLOGY

- The Bible is the inspired and preserved Word of God. – *Ps. 12:6-7, Jer 36:2, Ez. 1:3, Matt. 24:35, Ac 1:16, 28:25, 2 Tim. 3:16, 1 Pe 1:23,25, 2Pe 1:21, Re 1:1*
- God used men to write down His Word. The Bible is the absolute authority laid down for us by God Himself. - *1 Thess. 2:13, 2 Tim. 3:16, 2 Peter 1:21*
- God's Word is pure and perfect, without any mixture of error. As such It is the rule for what is genuine truth, and all that is good and right. - *Ps. 12:6, 19:7-8, Prov. 30:5, John 17:17*
- The Scriptures are sure and complete requiring no “new” revelation. They have, and will continue to exist, by God's preservation, through the rest of eternity. - *De 4:2, 12:32, Ps. 19:7, 138:2, Prov. 30:6, Matt. 24:35, 1 Pet. 1:23-25, 2 Pet. 1:19, Re 22:18-19*
- God's Word has been given for all. It is used by God to do a work in those who believe. It exists to teach and convict believers in all matters of faith and practice, and to testify of Christ unto the lost. - *Lk. 24:25-27, 44-45, John 5:39, Rom. 15:4, 2 Tim. 3:15-17, 1 Thess. 2:13, 2 Pet. 1:20-21*
- God inspired His Word, and then preserved It for the English speaking people of the world in the King James Version.

II. THEOLOGY

- God is eternal, and has pre-existed all. He is the same, yesterday, today, and forever. – *Gen. 1:1, Ps. 90:2, 1 Tim. 1:17, Rev. 10:6, Jam. 1:17, Heb. 13:8*
- God is the One and Only true God. There is none like unto Him. – *Gen. 17:1, Ex. 20:2-3, Deut. 6:4, Eph. 4:6, 1 Tim. 1:17, Neh. 9:6, Ex. 15:11, 1 John 4:4*
- God is omnipotent, omniscient, and omnipresent. God is Sovereign. – *Gen. 17:1, Job 42:2, Ps 115:3, 135:6, Neh. 9:6, Isa 43:13, Hab 3:6, Mt 19:26, Mr 14:36, Lu 1:37, Rev. 4:11, Re 19:6, Job 26:6, 31:4, 34:21, Ps 147:5, Heb 4:13, 1Jo 3:20, De 4:39, Ps 139:8, Pr 15:3, Isa 66:1, Jer 23:24, Ac 17:27, Rom. 8:29, Eph. 1:11*
- God is three-in-one, otherwise known as the Trinity. – *Matt. 28:19-20, John 15:26, 1 Cor. 12:4-6, 2 Cor. 13:14, Eph. 2:18, 1 John 5:7, John Matt. 28:19-20, John 15:26, 1 Cor. 12:4-6, 2 Cor. 13:14, Eph. 2:18, 1 John 5:7, John 4:24, John 10:30, 1 Cor. 8:6, Phil. 2:5-6, Acts 5:3-4*

III. CREATION

- God created the Universe, and all therein. *Gen. 1, Ex. 20:11, Job 12:9, 26:7, Ps 24:2, 33:6, 95:5, 102:25, 104:5, Neh. 9:6, Isa 40:28, 45:12, 48:13, Jer. 10:12, John 1:1-3, Ac. 4:24, 7:50, 14:15, 17:23-26, Heb 11:3*
- God created man. *Gen. 1:26-27, Gen. 2:7,21-23, 5:2, De 4:32, Job 33:4, Ps 8:5, 100:3, Isa 51:13, Mal 2:10, Ac 17:28*
- God created the world in six literal 24 hour days. *Ge 1:5,8,13,19,23,31; 2:2, Ex. 20:11, 31:17*
- God created the world by the power of His spoken Word; NOT via evolutionary process. *Gen. 1:3,6,9,11,14,20, 24,26,29*

IV. ANTHROPOLOGY & HARMARTIOLOGY

- Man has been created in God's image. *Gen. 1:26-27, 5:1, 9:6, 1Co 11:7, Jas 3:9*
- Man was given dominion over the earth. *Gen. 1:26-28, Ps. 8:4-9, 82:6, Mt 6:26, 12:12, Ge 1:26, 9:2, Ps 8:6, Heb 2:8, Jas 3:7*
- God has given man a free-will to choose. *Gen. 2:16-17, Eph. 2:2, 8-9, Jn. 8:24, Prov. 16:9, Eph. 2:2, Rom. 13:2, Ac. 2:38, Lk. 13:3, Josh. 24:15, Jn. 7:17,*
- Man chose to sin. *Gen. 3:1-6, 1Co 15:21, 1Ti 2:14*
- Sin has been passed upon all men; All people sin. *Rom. 3:10,23, 5:12,17-21, 6:23, Gal. 3:22, Eph. 2:1-3*

V. ANGELOLOGY

- Angels do exist. *Matt. 5:20-37, 13:41, 18:10, 26:53, Mark 8:38, 13:32, Coll. 2:18, 2 Thess. 1:7*
- Angels are created beings. *Neh. 9:6, Coll.1:16*
- There are various strengths and classes of angels. *Dan. 10-12-13, Matt. 25:41, 1 Thess. 4:16, Jude 9*
- The angels chief purpose is to minister. *Rev. 5:11, 8:3-4, Gen. 19:11, 1 Kings 19:5-8, 2 Kings 6:18, Dan. 6:22, Matt. 4:11, Lk. 22:43, Acts 5:19, 8:26, 10:3, 12:8-11, 27:23-24*
- There are angels that have fallen. *Job 4:18, Matt. 25:41, 2Pe 2:4, Jude 6, Rev. 8:3-4, 12:9*

VI. CHRISTIOLOGY

- Jesus Christ is God & LORD of all. His existence is eternal. – *John 1:3, Phil. 2:5-11, Coll. 1:15, 1 Tim. 3:16, Titus 2:13, Mic. 5:2, John 1:1-2*
- He was born of a virgin, and became a man. – *Is. 7:14, Matt. 1:18, Lk. 1:26-35, Gal. 4:4-5, John 1:14, Phil. 2:5-11*
- He lived a righteous and perfect life as a man. – *Heb. 4:15, Mk. 1:13, Mt. 4, Lk. 4,*
- He was crucified and killed on the cross for the salvation of sinners. – *Matt. 28:5-6, Rom. 5:6-11, 8:34, Phil. 2:5-11, 1 Thess. 4:13-18, 1 Pet. 2:24, 3:18*
- He was buried and rose from the dead. – *Matt. 28:5-6, Rom. 1:4, 8:34, 1 Thess. 4:13-18, 1 Pet. 1:3, Isa 25:8, Ac 2:27, 1Co 15:4, Rev. 1:18*
- He is the propitiation for our sins. We are bought by His blood. He bore our sins upon the cross that they might be paid for. He is the only way of salvation – *Rom. 3:19-25, Gal. 4:4-5, Eph. 1:7, 2:5-11, Tit. 2:13-14, Heb. 7:25-26, 9:24-28, 10:10, 1 Pet. 1:19, 2:24, 3:18, 1 John 2:1-2, Is. 43:11, John 1:4,12,29, Mt 26:28, Joh 6:56, 19:34, Ac 20:28, Ro 5:9, Col 1:20, Heb 9:14, 1Pe 1:18-19, 1Jo 1:7, Re 1:5, 5:9, 7:14, 12:11, Isa 53:12, Joh 10:11, 12:23-24, Ro 5:6, 14:9, 1Co 15:3, 2Co 5:15, Col 1:22, Heb 2:9, Re 5:9*
- He ascended into heaven where He is seated at the right and of the Father, making intercession for us. – *Ac. 1:9-11, 1 Thess. 4:13-18, 1 Tim. 3:16, Rom. 8:34, 1 Tim. 2:5, Heb. 7:25-26, 9:24, 1 John 2:1-2, Ps 68:18, Mr 16:19, Lu 24:51, Joh 6:62, 20:17, Ac 1:9, Eph 4:8, Heb 4:14, 9:24, 1Pe 3:22*
- He will one day rule and reign as king of all, upon the throne of David. – *Lk. 1:32-33, Phil. 2:5-11, Rev. 20:1-6*

VII. SOTERIOLOGY

- Mankind has fallen into sin. **Gen. 3:1-6, 1Co 15:21, 1Ti 2:14**
- All people have sinned. **Rom. 3:10,23, 5:12,17-21, 6:23, Gal. 3:22, Eph. 2:1-3**
- Death is the penalty for man's sin. **Rom. 6:23, Eph. 2:1, Jn. 3:14-18, Rev. 20:11-15, 21:8,**
- Christ freely gave His life for the salvation of souls. **Jn 10:18, 1 Cor. 15:3, Gal. 1:4, Phil. 2:7-8, Heb. 9:11-15, 12:2, 1 Tim. 1:15**
- The Payment for sin is found in Christ, and His blood. **Rom. 3:24-25, 2 Cor. 5:21, Gal. 1:4, Heb. 9:11-15, 1 Pet. 2:24, 3:18, 1 Jn. 2:2, 4:10, Is. 53:11, Ac. 13:39, Rom. 5:1,9, Gal. 3:11-13, 1 Pet. 1:18-19**
- Jesus Christ is the only payment for sin. **Heb. 7:25, 9:12-15, Jn. 3:3,6,7, Eph. 2:4-5,8-9, Ac. 20:21, Tit. 3:5-6, 1 Jn. 5:9-13**
- Salvation is accomplished when:
 - There is belief in Jesus Christ, the Son of God. **Jn. 3:16, Heb. 12:2, Ac. 16:30-31, Jn. 3:18,14-15,36, 5:40, Rom. 10:13, Jn. 6:37-40**
 - There is repentance of sin. **Is. 55:7, Ez. 18:21, (Matt. 9:13, Mk. 6:12, Lk. 5:32) Ac. 2:38, 3:19, 17:30, 20:21, Jas. 4:8-10**
 - There is acceptance of Christ's payment for sin. **Ps. 51:1-4, Mk. 1:15, Lk. 12:8, 18:13-14, Ac. 20:21, Rom. 10:9-13, 1 Jn. 5:9-13**
- Salvation is the product of a loving, gracious, and merciful God. **Jn. 3:16,6:37-40 1 Jn. 4:10,5:1, Rom. 5:32,6:23, Is. 55:6-7, Tit. 3:5-6, Ac. 15:11, Eph. 2:4-5,8-9, 1 Cor. 15:10**
- Christ's purpose in coming to earth was the salvation of the lost. **Matt. 18:11, Jn. 3:14-18,6:37-40, 1 Tim. 1:15, 1 Jn. 4:10**
- Salvation is available to all. **Lu 3:6, Jn. 3:16, Ac 2:21, Ro 5:18, 10:13, 1Ti 2:4, Tit 2:11-12, 2Pe 3:9, Rev. 22:17**

- Good works cannot bring salvation. *Eph. 2:8-9, Rom. 4:1-8, Gal. 3:11-13, Tit. 3:5-6, Mt 7:22-23*
- An individual's salvation is secure. (It cannot be lost) *Jn. 10:27-30, Ac. 20:21, Rom. 8:1,38-39, Eph. 1:13, 1 Pet. 1:4-5, 1 Jn. 5:9-13*

VIII. THE ETERNAL STATE

- Heaven is a place prepared by Christ for all the saved. It is the eternal dwelling place of all believers. ***Matthew 5:26, John 5:29, 11:25-26, 14, Revelation 21-2***
- Hell is a place prepared for the devil and His angels. It is the eternal dwelling place of those who reject Christ. It is a place of fire and torment. ***Matthew 25:46, Luke 16:19-26, John 5:29, 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9, Revelation 20:12-15, Mark 9:43-48, Luke 16***
- When those who are saved physically die, they are immediately present with Christ. ***2 Corinthians 5:8, Philippians 1:23***
- All men will be resurrected in the end of time as we know it. Some to eternal bliss with the Lord, and others to eternal torment. ***Matthew 25:41-46, John 5:28-29, 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17***

IX. PNEUMATOLOGY

- The Holy Spirit is God. He is part of the divine Trinity.
Gen. 1:2, 1 Sam. 11:2, John 1:13, 14:26, 15:26, 2 Cor. 13:14, 1 John 5:7
- The Holy Spirit is the Comforter promised by the Father, and sent by Christ.
Luke 24:49, John 14:16-17,26, 15:26-27, Acts 5:32
- The Holy Spirit testifies of Christ.
John 15:26-27, Acts 5:30-32, Romans 8:14-16
- He convicts the lost of sin, righteousness, and judgment.
John 16:8-11
- The Holy Spirit indwells and guides those who have trusted Christ.
Matt. 3:11, Mark 1:8, Luke 3:16, John 1:33, Acts 1:5, 11:16, Romans 8:9, 1 Cor. 3:16, 6:19-20, John 16:13, Acts 8:29, Romans 8:14-16
- The Holy Spirit seals the believer unto the day of redemption. He is the earnest of our salvation. ***Eph. 4:30, 1 Cor. 1:22***

X. ECCLESIOLOGY

- Christ is the foundation, founder, builder, and leader of the church.
Matt. 16:16-18, Coll. 1:18, Eph. 1:22-23, 1 Cor. 3:9
- The church is the body of Christ.
Eph. 1:22-23, Coll. 1:24
- Within the church there are two scriptural offices. – ***Phil. 1:1***
 - Pastor – ***Acts 14:23, 1 Tim. 3:1-15, Ac. 20:17, 28-32, Titus 1:5-16, 1 Pet. 5:1-4***
 - Deacon – ***Acts 6:5-7, Phil. 1:1, 1 Tim. 3:8***
- Christ gave His church two ordinances – ***1 Cor. 11:2***
 - Baptism – ***Acts 2:41, Mk. 16:16, Ac 2:38, 10:48***
 - Lord's Table – ***1 Cor. 11:17-33, Mt 26:26, Mr 14:22, 1Co 10:16, 11:23***
- The Local church is to be autonomous and free from any earthly, outside authority. ***.Matt. 16:18, 18:17, Acts 6:3, 13:1-3, 15:19-31, 20:28, Coll. 1:18, 1 Pet. 5:1-4***
- We do not believe in an invisible, universal church.

XI. ESCHATOLOGY – **Rev. 19:1 – 20:6**

- Christ will return and take believers to heaven to be with Him. This is commonly known as the Rapture.
Matt. 24:30, Jn. 14:2-3, 1 Cor. 15:51-58, Phil. 3:20-21, Coll. 3:4, 1 Thess. 1:10, 4:13-18, Rev. 3:10
- The second coming of Christ will be like unto His ascension.
Ps. 89:3-4, Zech. 14:1-11, Mk. 16:19, Lk. 24:51, Acts 1:9-11, Coll. 3:4, 1 Thess. 5:1-9, Titus 2:13
- No one knows the time of the Lord's Return.
Matt. 25:13, Js. 5:8
- Christ will rule over the entire earth during the Millenium.
Ps. 72:8, Is. 9:6-7, 11:4-5, Zech. 14:1-11, Lk. 1:32, 1 Cor. 15:25
- Believers will rule with Christ in the Millenial Kingdom.
Matt. 24:47, Rev. 3:21,

XII. CONTEMPORARY ISSUES

A. Music

- The Bible establishes for our spiritual use psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs.
Eph. 5:19, Coll. 3:16
- Music in the church should be used for praise of our Lord, admonition and teaching of the saints, and personal devotion.
Ps 81:1, 95:1, Isa 30:29, 1Co 14:15, Eph. 5:19, Coll. 3:16, Jas 5:13
- Caution must be exercised in what our music identifies and associates us with.
Pr 1:15, 4:14, 22:24, 23:6, 24:1, 1Co 5:9,11, 2Co 6:14, 2Jo 1:10
- Regarding the Contemporary Christian Music movement, there are a number of problematic concerns.
 1. Musical style.
The musical needs to be such that it does not distract from the worship of God, or promote ungodly feelings or thoughts.
 2. Vocal style.
The vocal style of our music needs to be such that it directs the attention to the Saviour, not to the person performing.
 3. Lyrical style.
The lyrics of our music need to be Christ centered, and God honoring. Lyrics need to be written with scriptural integrity and spiritual depth in mind.
 4. Associations of Music.
Separation from the world must be guarded carefully in the realm of music. Music in the church should not be readily associated, or paired with the ungodly music the world has to offer. It is also important that the character and lifestyle of the original singer/writer of the song is not such that it might bring reproach upon the cross of Christ.

