



STATEMENT OF FAITH

1. **I believe** in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as verbally inspired by God, as inerrant in the original writings, and as the supreme and final authority in faith and life. II Tim. 3:16-17; Psalm 19:7; Isaiah 8:20; II Peter 1:21
2. **I believe** in one God, eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Isaiah 45:21-22; Jeremiah 10:10; Genesis 1:26; Matthew 28:19; John 14:16; Matthew 3:17
3. **I believe** that Jesus Christ was begotten by the Holy Spirit, was born of the Virgin Mary, and is true God and true man, and is the only Mediator between God and man. Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 1:26-38; Luke 2:1-7; John 1:1-14; Galatians 4:4; I Timothy 2:5
4. **I believe** that man was created in the image of God; that he sinned and thereby incurred physical death and spiritual death, which is separation from God. Genesis 1:27; 31; 2:7; 2:16-17; Genesis 3; I Cor. 15:21; Romans 6:23
5. **I believe** in the vicarious death of the Lord Jesus Christ as a substitutionary sacrifice for our sins, and that all who believe in Him are justified on the grounds of His shed blood. I Peter 1:18-19; 2:24; Acts 16:31; Ephesians 1:7; I John 1:7; Ephesians 2:13; Revelation 1:5; 12:11.
6. **I believe** that all who receive the Lord Jesus Christ by faith are born again of the Holy Spirit and thereby become children of God. All such are indwelt by the Holy Spirit, and baptized by Him into that spiritual body (church) of which Christ is the head. John 3:3-7; 1:12-13; 14:16-17; I Corinthians 12:12-13; Colossians 1:18-24
7. **I believe** in the eternal security of all who trust in our Lord Jesus Christ. John 3:16; 36; 10:28-29, Romans 8:35-39; II Timothy 1:12; Jude 1
8. **I believe** in the resurrection of the crucified body of our Lord, in His ascension into heaven, and in His present life, there for us as High Priest and advocate. Psalm 16:10; Matthew 28; Mark 16; Luke 24; John 20:21; Acts 2:22-36; I Cor. 15; Acts 1:10-11; Hebrews 5:1-10; 7:23-28; I John 2:1
9. **I believe** in (a) "that blessed hope," and in the personal and visible (b) return of our Lord Jesus Christ to the earth to establish His Kingdom.
 - (a) Rapture - Titus 2:11-13; John 14; I Thess. 4:13-18
 - (b) Return to earth - Psalm 24; Isaiah 9:6; 24:22-23; Zachariah 14:4; Acts 1:10-11; Jude 14-15; Revelation 20

10. **I believe** that baptism is the immersion of a believer in water, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, setting forth the essential facts of redemption - the death, burial and resurrection of Christ; and also the essential facts in the experience of the believer - death to sin and resurrection to newness of life; and that the Lord's Supper is a commemoration of the Lord's death until He comes. Matthew 28:19-20; Acts 8:34-39; Acts 16:30-33; Romans 6:1-11; Matthew 26:26-29; I Cor. 11:20-34.
11. **I believe** that a local New Testament Church consists of a company of baptized believers who have voluntarily associated themselves for worship, for instruction, and for service, for our Lord. Acts 2:41; Phil. 1:1; Col. 1:2
12. **I believe** that a local New Testament Church is a self-governing body, and must be free from interference by any Convention or any other ecclesiastical or political authority. Therefore, the Church and State must be kept separate as having different functions, each fulfilling its duties free from the dictates or patronage of the other. Acts 6:3-6; Acts 4:19-20; Acts 5:29; Acts 13:2-4; Acts 15:2; 22-31
13. **I believe** in the bodily resurrection of the saved and lost. The saved shall appear in Heaven at the Judgment Seat of Christ to receive rewards and to dwell with Him for all eternity. The lost shall be judged at the Great White Throne and be cast into eternal hell. John 5:29; I Thess. 4:13-18; Ephesians 2:8-9; I Cor. 3:11-15; I Cor. 15; Luke 16:19-31; Rev. 20:11-15
14. **I believe** that every human being is directly responsible to God in matters of faith and life, and that each should be free to worship God according to the dictates of his conscience. I believe, however, that only those are properly entitled to be called Baptists who believe in and subscribe to the historic Baptist faith.

I am in complete agreement with the above Statement of Faith.

Pastor's Signature

Date

Church Clerk

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Church Name _____

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