

#### Article III

# **Statements Of Faith**

### 1.THE SCRIPTURE INSPIRED

1 Timothy 3:16. All Scripture is given by the inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.

# 2.MAN, HIS FALL, AND REDEMPTION

We believe that man was created in the image of God, as recorded in the book of Genesis; and that through disobedience he fell from that exalted position; which necessitated the work of redemption through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

#### 3. WE BELIEVE IN HOLY LIVING

Without holy living no man shall see God. Holy living is wrought in the life of the believer, through a three-fold agency; Sanctification by the blood, Sanctification by the Spirit and Sanctification by the Word. Sanctification being a separation from that which is evil and of dedication to God

### 4. DEITY OF CHRIST

We believe in the deity of Christ and the Virgin Birth of our Lord, and in His atonement for sin, His death, burial, and resurrection. We believe in the one true God, the Creator of heaven and earth and all life. – THE ETERNAL GOD.



# 5. WE BELIEVE IN THE WORK OF THE HOLY GHOST IN EACH BELIEVER'S LIFE.

- **a.** We believe in being born again of the Spirit. If any man hath not the Spirit of Christ he is none of His (Romans 8:9). Each believer has the witness of the Spirit in his life, bearing witness one with the other that we are the sons of God.
- **b.** We believe every believer, at the time of regeneration, is indwelled by the Holy Ghost; yet knowing it's another thing to be filled according to Ephesians 5:18.
- **c.** We believe it is the command of our Lord to be filled with the Spirit, and each believer must desire to be filled that he might have power for service and that his joy might be full.
- **d.** We believe in the gifts of the Spirit. We believe that all nine spiritual gifts spoken of in 1 Corinthians 12:8-10 should be in operation in the ministry today for the edification and the upbuilding of the ministry.
- **e.** We believe in the Fruit of the Spirit. We believe that true salvation will produce real Christian fruit in a believer's life (Galatians 5:22-23) as contrasted with the previous life of the works of the flesh (Galatians 5:19-21).
- **f.** We believe in the Holy Trinity which consists of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

We believe in God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth, and of Jesus Christ; His only begotten Son. Born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. The third day He rose from the dead, ascended into Heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father.



From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. We believe in the Holy Ghost, the comm union of saints, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. **Amen** 

#### 6. WE BELIEVE IN HEALING FOR THE BODY

We believe it's the privilege of the ministry to meet the conditions and claim the promises of James 4:13-18, and we expect the Lord to heal sick bodies, as well as to save sin sick souls.

### 7. WE BELIEVE IN THE SUPPORT OF THE MINISTRY

We believe regular systematic giving in God's plan for the support and work of the ministry. It is called tithing in the Old Testament and is known as the grace of giving in the New Testament.

#### 8. WE BELIEVE IN THE RESURRECTION OF THE DEAD

We believe in the rapture of the church, which is the blessed hope of the believer (1 Thessalonians 4:16-18). We believe the resurrection will be bodily, and that the souls of the righteous that have gone on into the presence of the Lord will be reunited with a perfect resurrected body upon which death shall have no power.

#### 9. WE BELIEVE IN WATER BAPTISM BY IMMERSION

We believe water baptism by immersion is an act of obedience to the command of the Lord (Matthew 29:19). We believe that it is not salvation, but rather that it is an outward sign or symbol of an inward work of grace.



## 10. THE LORD'S SUPPER

We believe the Lord's Supper consists of these elements, unleavened bread, and the pure fruits of the vine. We believe the Lord's Supper ;should be regularly observed in the local assembly (Matthew 26:29). It is a symbol of expressing our partaking of the divine nature of our Lord Jesus Christ(2 Peter 1:4), a memorial of His suffering and death (1 Corinthians 11:16), and is enjoined on all believers until He comes. We believe in the washing of the feet of the Saints as our example of humility, shown by our Lord Jesus Christ (John 13:4-19).

#### 11. WE BELIEVE IN THE PREMILLENNIAL COMING OF CHRIST

We do not believe the church will go through the tribulation period. We believe the church will be translated before the anit-chris is revealed. The tribulation will be a period of seven years. During the last three and one-half years of the tribulation the wrath of God will be poured out upon an ungodly world. We believe at the close of this period there will be the battle of Armageddon. The revelation of Christ will come with His saints to execute the judgement on the earth, to set up His kingdom on the earth, to rule and reign with a rod of iron and of His kingdom there shall be no end.

### 12. WE BELIEVE IN THE JUDGMENT AND IN THE LAKE OF FIRE

We believe in the judgment of the wicked at the Great White throne, and that those whose names are not recorded in the Book of Life will be cast into the lake of fire. We do not believe that there is any future hope of deliverance or escape from this place of judgment and punishment, but rather that throughout eternity the unrighteous, both men and fallen angels, shall consciously suffer in the sorrows of eternal perdition.



# 13. WE BELIEVE IN THE NEW HEAVENS AND THE NEW EARTH

We look for New Heavens and a New Earth wherein dwelleth righteousness (2 Peter 3:13 & Revelations 21 and 22).