



# STATEMENT OF FAITH

We believe in:

- 1 The Lordship of Christ.** Christ alone is head of the Church and not any human authority or power. He rules by His Word.
- 2 A regenerate Membership.** The local Church consists of people who have made a credible profession of faith and seek to live in obedience to Christ.
- 3 Liberty of conscience.** We recognise the God-given right of religious liberty for people.
- 4 The priesthood of all believers.** The right of every believer to approach God through the Lord Jesus Christ without any other human intermediary.
- 5 The responsibility of the local Church to manage its own affairs.** Each Church is charged with the responsibility and given the resources to be responsible for its own life and Ministry.
- 6 Baptism by immersion.** Baptism is a full immersion in water signifying union with Christ in His death, burial and resurrection.
- 7 The one, true and living God who eternally exists in three Persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit who are of the same substance and equal in power and glory.** Genesis 1:26; Exodus 3:26; Deuteronomy 6:4; Psalm 2; John 1:1-18; 10:30; Romans 9:5; Colossians 2:9.
- 8 The sovereignty of God in creation, revelation, redemption, and the final judgment; and that humankind was created in the image of God.** Genesis 1:1-20; Psalm 135:5-15; Daniel 4:34, 35; Ephesians 1:11.
- 9 The Bible as God's word written, and therefore an infallible, true and trustworthy, powerful to accomplish God's purpose in giving it to us.** It is the sole authority in all matters of faith and practice. Psalm 19:7-11; Isaiah 55:1; 2 Timothy 3:15-17; Peter 2:19-21.
- 10 The universal sinfulness and guilt of humankind since the Fall, rendering every person deserving of eternal punishment.**

- 13** Redemp on from the guilt, penalty and the power of sin only through the sacrificial death of one and for all men of our representative and substitute, Jesus Christ the only mediator between God and man. John 14:6, Ephesians 1:7-8, Timothy 2:5, Hebrews 7:26-28, 9:11-15
- 14** Justification as God's act of undeserved mercy in which sinners are pardoned all their sins, and accepted as righteous in God's sight, only because of the righteousness of Christ imputed to them, this justification being received by faith alone. Romans 3:21-30, Galatians 2:11-20
- 15** The need for the Holy Spirit