**THE POWER HOUSE STATEMENT OF FAITH**

**WE ARE A CHRIST-CENTERED ORGANIZATION**

**WHAT WE BELIEVE**

**ABOUT GOD**

God is the Creator and Ruler of the universe. He has eternally existed in three persons: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. These three are co-equal and are one God.

Genesis 1:1,26,27; 3:22; Psalm 90:2; Matthew 28:19; 1 Peter 1:2; 2Corinthians 13:14

**ABOUT GOD THE FATHER**

God the Father is an infinite, personal Spirit, perfect in holiness, wisdom, power and love yet He concerns himself mercifully in the affairs of men. He bears and answers prayer. He saves from sin and death and all who comes to Him through Jesus Christ.

Matthew 6:9; Isaiah 6:3; Romans 11:33-39; Psalm 138:5-6; Isaiah 55;6-7

**ABOUT JESUS CHRIST**

Jesus Christ is the Son of God. He is co-equal with the Father. Because of His great love, He left heaven and came to earth and lived a sinless human life and offered Himself as the perfect sacrifice for the sins of all men by dying on a cross. He arose from the dead after three days to demonstrate His power over sin and death. He ascended to Heaven’s glory and will return again to earth to reign as King of kings, and Lord of lords.

Matthew 1:22,23; Isaiah 9:6; John 1:1-5, 14:10-30; Hebrews 4:14,15; 1 Corinthians 15:3,4; Romans

1:3,4; Acts 1:9-11; 1 Timothy 6:14,15; Titus 2:13

**ABOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT**

The Holy Spirit is equal with the Father and the Son as God. He is present in the world to make men aware of their need for Jesus Christ. He also lives in every Christian from the moment of salvation. He provides the Christian with power for living, understanding of spiritual truth, and guidance in doing what is right. The Christian seeks to live under His control daily. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit and in the exercise of all the Biblical gifts of the Spirit.

2 Corinthians 3:17; John 16:7-13, 14:16,17; Acts 1:8; 1 Corinthians 2:12, 3:16; Ephesians 1:13; Galatians 5:25; Ephesians 5:1

**ABOUT MAN**

Man is made in the spiritual image of God, to be like Him in character. He is the supreme object of God’s creation. Although man has tremendous potential for good, he is marred by an attitude of disobedience toward God called "sin". This attitude separates man from God.

Genesis 1:27; Psalm 8:3-6; Isaiah 53:6a; Romans 3:23; Isaiah 59:1,2

**ABOUT SALVATION**

Salvation is a gift from God to man. Man can never make up for his sin by self-improvement or good works. Only by trusting in Jesus Christ as God’s offer of forgiveness can man be saved from sin’s penalty. Eternal life begins the moment one receives Jesus Christ into his life by faith. All people are sinners by nature and are therefore under condemnation. God regenerates and baptizes by the Holy Spirit those who repent of their sins and confess Jesus Christ as Lord.

Romans 6:23; Ephesians 2:8,9; John 14:6, 1:12; Titus 3:5; Galatians 3:26; Romans 5:1

**ETERNITY**

Man was created to exist forever. He will either exist eternally separated from God by sin, or in union with God through forgiveness and salvation. To be eternally separated from God is Hell. To be eternally in union with Him is eternal life in Heaven. Heaven and Hell are literal places of eternal existence.

John 3:16; John 2:25; John 5:11-13; Romans 6:23; Revelation 20:15; 1 John 5:11-12; Matthew 25:31-46

**ABOUT THE BIBLE**

The Bible is God’s word to all men. It was written by human authors, under the supernatural guidance of the Holy Spirit. It is the supreme source of truth for Christian beliefs and living. Because it is inspired by God, it is truth without any mixture of error.

2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:20,21; 2 Timothy 1:13; Psalm 119:105,160, 12:6; Proverbs 30:5

**ABOUT BAPTISM AND COMMUNION**

We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ committed two ordinances to the Church: baptism; and the Lord's Supper. We believe in water baptism and communion open to all believers, who have a profession of faith and follow Jesus’ teaching.

Acts 2:38, 1 Corinthians 11:23-30, Luke 3:3

**ABOUT EMPOWERING FOR SERVICE**

We believe also in the laying on of hands for empowering of the Holy

Spirit, for receiving healing, and for recognition and empowering of those whom God has ordained to lead and serve the church.

Acts 13:3, Mark 6:5, 1 Timothy 4:14, H Timothy 1:6

**ABOUT FUNDAMENTAL CHRISTIAN FAITH**

We believe in what is termed **'The Apostle’s Creed" as embodying fundamental facts of Christian faith, and endorse the historic orthodox creeds of the church.**

**THE APOSTLE’S CREED**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and was buried; He descended into hades. On the third day He rose again; he ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.