

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to lead people into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.

OUR VISION

To see every member fully engaged in the process of our mission on a weekly basis.

Connect with God in corporate worship.

Learn to love like Jesus in small groups.

Serve the world in ministry teams.

OUR CORE VALUES

The Bible is our Guide:

We believe God speaks to us through the Scriptures, so the Bible is our ultimate authority, guiding us in thought, word, and action.

(2 Timothy 3:16-17; Psalm 119:105)

The Bible is my guide.

Intimacy with God:

We believe God desires an intimate relationship with every individual. This relationship grows through prayer, meditation, worship, Bible study, listening to and obeying the Holy Spirit. (James 4:8; 1 Chronicles 28:9)

I listen for God's voice.

Salvation of the Next Generation:

We believe our role is to support ministry in environments that appeal to people less than 30 years of age without alienating older men & women. Every generation is necessary to grow a healthy Christian church. (Matthew 18:3-6; Mark 10:16; 1 Timothy 4:12)

I am raising up the next generation to follow God.

Authentic Relationships:

We believe relationships that express care, accountability, and a sense of belonging are critical to progress in our spiritual journey. (Proverbs 27:17; Hebrews 10:24-25)

My relationships are genuine.

Living and Sharing our Faith:

We believe that every believer is responsible for living out their faith in Jesus before others in a tangible way. We also believe sharing our faith in Jesus with words is necessary for others to know the Good News. It is also our responsibility to support those God has called into mission work. (Philemon 6; Romans 10:14-15)

I share my faith.

Serving in the Right Place:

We believe that every believer is gifted by God and responsible for building up the church. We must continually equip, empower and release people into service. Our effectiveness is contingent upon a coordinated, strategic exercising of gifts in the body. (1 Peter 4:10-11; Ephesians 4:11-13)

I am using my spiritual gifts.

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HOLY BIBLE: The Holy Bible, and only the Bible, is 100% the Word of God. It, alone, is the final authority in determining all doctrinal truths. The Bible, in its original writing, is inspired, infallible, and inerrant. (2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:20-21; Proverbs 30:5; Romans 16:25-26)

TRINITY: In one God there are three distinct persons: the Father, the Son (Jesus), and the Holy Spirit. They are all coequal and co-eternal. (1 John 5:7; Genesis 1:26; Matthew 3:16-17, 28:19; Luke 1:35; Isaiah 9:6; Hebrews 3:7-11)

JESUS CHRIST: Jesus Christ is God the Son, the second person of the Trinity. On Earth, Jesus was 100% God and 100% man. He is the only man ever to have lived a sinless life. He was born of a virgin, lived a sinless life, performed miracles, died on the cross for mankind and thus, atoned for our sins through the shedding of His blood. He rose from the dead on the third day according to the Scriptures, ascended to the right hand of the Father, and will return again in power and glory. (John 1:1, 14; John 20:28; 1 Timothy 3:16; Isaiah 9:6; Philippians 2:5-6; 1 Timothy 2:5)

VIRGIN BIRTH: Jesus Christ was conceived by God the Father, through the Holy Spirit (the third person of the Trinity) in the virgin Mary's womb; therefore, He is the Son of God. (Matthew 1:18; Luke 1:27-35; Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:23-25)

REDEMPTION: Man was created good and upright, but by voluntary transgression he fell; his only hope of redemption is in Jesus Christ, the Son of God. (Genesis 1:26-31; 3:1-7; Romans 5:12-21)

REGENERATION: For anyone to know God, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential. (John 6:44, 65)

SALVATION: We are saved by grace through faith in Jesus Christ; His death, burial and resurrection. Salvation is a gift from God, not a result of our good works or of any human efforts. (Ephesians 2:8-9; Galatians 2:16, 3:8; Titus 3:5; Romans 10:9-10; Acts 16:31; Hebrews 9:22)

REPENTANCE: The commitment to turn away from sin in every area of our lives and to follow Christ, which allows us to receive His redemption and to be regenerated by the Holy Spirit. Thus, through repentance we receive forgiveness of sins and appropriate salvation. (Acts 2:21, 3:19; 1 John 1:9)

SANCTIFICATION: The ongoing process of yielding to God's word and His Spirit in order to complete the development of Christ's character in us. It is through the present ministry of the Holy Spirit and the Word of God that the Christian is enabled to live a godly life. (1 Thessalonians 4:3, 5:23; 2 Corinthians 3:18, 6:14-18; 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3; Romans 8:29, 12:1-2; Hebrews 2:11)

JESUS' BLOOD: The blood that Jesus Christ shed on the Cross of Calvary was sinless and is 100% sufficient to cleanse mankind of all sin. Jesus allowed Himself to be punished for both our sinfulness and our sins, enabling all those who believe to be free from the penalty of sin, which is death. (1 John 1:7; Revelation 1:5, 5:9; Colossians 1:20; Romans 3:10-12, 23, 5:9; John 1:29)

JESUS CHRIST INDWELLS ALL BELIEVERS: Christians are people who have invited the Lord Jesus Christ to come and live inside them by His Holy Spirit. They relinquish the authority of their lives over to him thus making Jesus the Lord of their life as well as Savior. They put their trust in what Jesus accomplished for them when He died, was buried, and rose again from the dead. (John 1:12, 14:17, 23; John 15:4; Romans 8:11; Revelations 3:20)

BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT: Given at Pentecost, it is the promise of the Father, sent by Jesus after His ascension, to empower the Church to preach the gospel throughout the whole Earth (Joel 2:28-29; Matthew 3:11; Mark 16:17; Acts 1:5, 2:1-4, 17, 38-39, 8:14-17, 10:38, 44-47, 11:15-17, 19:1-6)

THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT: The Holy Spirit is manifested through a variety of spiritual gifts to build and sanctify the church, demonstrate the validity of the resurrection, and confirm the power of the gospel. The Bible lists of these gifts are not necessarily exhaustive, and the gifts may occur in various combinations. All believers are commanded to earnestly desire the manifestation of the gifts in their lives. These gifts always operate in harmony with the Scriptures and should never be used in violation of biblical parameters. (Hebrews 2:4; Romans 1:11, 12:4-8; Ephesians 4:16; 2 Timothy 1:5-16, 4:14; 1 Corinthians 12:1-31, 14:1-40; 1 Peter 4:10)

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THE CHURCH: The Church is the Body of Christ, the habitation of God through the Spirit, with divine appointments for the fulfillment of Jesus' great commission. Every person who is born of the Spirit is an integral part of the church as a member of the body of believers. There is a spiritual unity of all believers in our Lord Jesus Christ. (Ephesians 1:22, 2:19-22; Hebrews 12:23; John 17:11, 20-23)

TWO SACRAMENTS:

1. **Water Baptism:** Following faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, the new convert is commanded by the Word of God to be baptized in water in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:19; Acts 2:38)
2. **The Lord's Supper:** A unique time of communion in the presence of God when the elements of bread and grape juice (representing the body and blood of the Lord Jesus Christ) are taken in remembrance of Jesus' sacrifice on the cross and one of the gifts of the Spirit. (Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 16:16; Acts 8:12, 36-38, 10:47-48; 1 Corinthians 10:16, 11:23-25)

HEALING OF THE SICK: Healing of the sick is illustrated in the life and ministry of Jesus and included in the commission of Jesus to His disciples. It is given as a sign which is to follow believers. It is also a part of Jesus' atonement on the Cross. (Psalm 103:2-3; Isaiah 53:5; Matthew 8:16-17; Mark 16:17-18; Acts 8:6-7; James 5:14-16; I Corinthians 12:9, 28; Romans 11:29)

GOD'S WILL FOR PROVISION: It is the Father's will for believers to become whole, healthy and successful in all areas of life. But because of the fall, many may not receive the full benefits of God's will while on Earth. That fact, though, should never prevent all believers from seeking the full benefits of Christ's provision in order to better serve others.

1. Spiritual (John 3:3, 11; 2 Corinthians 5:17-21; Romans 10:9-10)
2. Mental and Emotional (2 Timothy 1:7, 2:11; Philippians 4:7-8; Romans 12:2; Isaiah 26:3)
3. Physical (Isaiah 53:4-5; Matthew 8:17; 1 Peter 2:24)
4. Financial (Joshua 1:8; Malachi 3:10-11; Luke 6:38; 2 Corinthians 9:6-10; Deuteronomy 28:1-14; Psalm 34:10, 84:11; Philippians 4:19)

RESURRECTION: Jesus Christ was physically resurrected from the dead in a glorified body three days after His death on the cross. In addition, both the saved and the lost will be resurrected; they that are saved to the resurrection of life and they that are lost to the resurrection of eternal damnation. (Luke 24:16, 36, 39; John 2:19-21, 20:26-28, 21:4; Acts 24:15; 1 Corinthians 15:42, 44; Philippians 1:21-23, 3:21)

HEAVEN: Heaven is the eternal dwelling place for all believers in the Gospel of Jesus Christ (Matthew 5:3, 12, 20, 6:20, 19:21, 25:34; John 17:24; 2 Corinthians 5:1; Hebrews 11:16; 1 Peter 1:4)

HELL: After living one life on Earth, the unbelievers will be judged by God and sent to hell where they will be eternally tormented with the devil and the fallen angels. (Matthew 25:41; Mark 9:43-48; Hebrews 9:27; Revelation 14:9-11, 20:12-15, 21:8)

SECOND COMING: Jesus Christ will physically and visibly return to Earth for the second time to establish His Kingdom. This will occur at a date undisclosed by the Scriptures (Matthew 24:30, 26:63-64; Acts 1:9-11; 1 Thessalonians 4:15-17; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-8; Revelation 1:7.)