

# CALVARY FELLOWSHIP STATEMENT OF FAITH

WE BELIEVE that there is one living and true GOD, eternally existing in three persons; The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, equal in power, and glory; that this triune God created all, upholds all, and governs all.

(Genesis 1:1; Deuteronomy 6:4; Isaiah 44:8, 48:16; Matthew 28:19-20; John 10:30; Hebrews 1:3)

WE BELIEVE that the SCRIPTURES of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, fully inspired without error in the original manuscripts, and the infallible rule of faith, and practice.

(Isaiah 28:13; Nehemiah 8:8; John 17:17; 2 Timothy 3:16-17; Hebrews 4:12; 1 Peter 1:23-25; 2 Peter 1:3-4, 1:21)

WE BELIEVE in GOD THE FATHER, an infinite, personal Spirit, perfect in holiness, wisdom, power, and love; that He concerns Himself mercifully in the affairs of men; that He hears and answers prayer; and that He saves from sin and death all who come to Him through Jesus Christ.

(Deuteronomy 33:27; Psalms 90:2, 102:27; John 3:16, 4:24; 1 Timothy 1:17; Titus 1:3)

WE BELIEVE in JESUS CHRIST, God's only begotten Son, conceived by the Holy Spirit. We believe in His virgin birth, sinless life, miracles, and teachings, His substitutionary atoning death, bodily resurrection, ascension into heaven, perpetual intercession for His people, and personal visible return to earth.

(Isaiah 7:14; Micah 5:2; Matthew 1:23; Mark 16:19; Luke 1:34-35; John 1:1-2, 8:58, 11:25; 1 Corinthians 15:3-4; 1 Timothy 3:16; Hebrews 1:8; 1 John 1:2; Revelation 1:8)

WE BELIEVE in the HOLY SPIRIT, Who came forth from the Father and Son to convict the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment, and to regenerate, sanctify, and empower for ministry, all who believe in Christ; we believe the Holy Spirit indwells every believer in Jesus Christ.

(Acts 1:8; 2 Corinthians 3:18; John 16:8-11; Romans 8:26, 15:13,16; Hebrews 9:14)

WE BELIEVE the Holy Spirit indwells every believer in Jesus Christ and that he is an abiding helper, Teacher, and Guide. (John 6:13, 14:16-17, 16:8-11; Romans 8:26)

WE BELIEVE in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit and in the exercise of all the Biblical gifts of the Spirit according to the instructions given to us in 1 Corinthians 12-14)

(1 Corinthians 14)

WE BELIEVE that all PEOPLE are sinners by nature, and choice, and, therefore, are under condemnation; that God saves and regenerates based upon faith by the Holy Spirit, those who repent of their sins, and confess Jesus Christ as Lord; that Jesus Christ baptizes the seeking believer with the Holy Spirit and grants power for service.

(Acts 8:15-17; Ephesians 2:1-3, 8-9; Romans 3:23, 5:8; Titus 3:5)

WE BELIEVE in the universal CHURCH, the living spiritual body, of which Christ is the Head and all who are born again are a part of the Body of Christ.

(1 Corinthians 12:12-13; Ephesians 4:15-16)

WE BELIEVE that the Lord Jesus Christ instituted two ordinances for the Church; 1) full immersion water baptism of believers, and 2) the Lord's Supper. Matthew 28:19; Luke 22:19-20; Acts 2:38; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26) We believe in communion open to all believers. We also believe that the Lord Jesus Christ validated the ordinance of marriage

(Matthew 19:4-5; John 2:1-11)

WE BELIEVE also in the LAYING ON OF HANDS for the baptism of the Holy Spirit, as well as the ordination of pastors, elders, and deacons, and for the receiving of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. (Acts 6:6, 8:17; 1 Timothy 4:14)

WE BELIEVE in the Second Coming of Jesus Christ which is His personal, visible return to earth and the establishment of His Kingdom, in the resurrection of the dead; the final judgment, and eternal blessing of the righteous and endless suffering of the wicked. ([Matthew 16:27](#); [Acts 1:11](#); [Revelation 19:11-16, 20:11-15](#))

WE BELIEVE in a literal Heaven and a literal Hell and that all those who place their faith, hope, and trust in Jesus Christ will spend eternity in Heaven with the Lord, while those who reject Jesus' free gift of salvation will spend eternity separated from the Lord. ([Psalm 9:17](#); [Matthew 5:3, 5:22, 18:9, 25:31-34](#); [Mark 9:42-49](#); [Luke 12:5](#); [John 3:18](#); [Hebrews 12:23](#); [1 Peter 1:4](#); [Revelation 14:10-11, 20:11-15](#))

WE BELIEVE in what is termed "THE APOSTLES' CREED" as embodying fundamental facts of Christian faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy universal Church,

the communion of the saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.