

What We Believe

We believe in God

We believe there is one God, the triune God—eternally existent and manifested in three persons: Almighty Father, Divine Son and Holy Ghost. (*1 John 5:7; Genesis 1:1; John 1:1, 4:24; Matthew 10:20; 2 Corinthians 3.17-18*).

We believe in the formal and intentional praise and worship of the Almighty God as a proper spirit led component, acknowledgement, and response to His person and work. (*Psalms 46-50; John 4: 23*).

We believe in the Bible

We believe in the Bible as the inspired, infallible word of God as the only rule of faith, guide for practice and indisputable and ultimate authority of the revelation of God, His will and His way. (*2 Timothy 3:16-17; Psalms 19: 7-11; 2 Peter 1:16-21*).

We believe in Jesus Christ

We believe in the Deity of Jesus Christ, the incarnation of the Father, born of a virgin, very God for whom and by whom all things were created. (*1 John 1:1-10*).

We believe in the substitutionary atonement of the Lord Jesus Christ, that He by the grace of God tasted death for every man and that all must be born again through faith in Him or are forever lost. We believe that redemption is accomplished by the cross and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, by grace, through faith, believing in the heart that God raised Him from the dead.

We believe in the physical resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ and that He ascended bodily into the heaven and is now at the right hand of the Father as our mediator, high priest and advocate. (*Acts 3:12-26; John 20; Hebrews 9:24; 1 Corinthians 15: 12-28*).

We believe that salvation is obtained through Jesus Christ and none other, for God has highly exalted Him and given Him a name which is above every name and that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven and of those on earth and of those under the earth and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (*Hebrews 2: 9, John 3:1-18, 6:44-49; Ephesians 2:8; Romans 10:9; Philippians 2:9-11*).

We believe in the personal, visible, imminent return of Jesus Christ both “for” His Saints and “with” His saints in reign to victory. (*1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; 1 Corinthians 15: 50-55; Revelation 19: 19-20, 20:1-16*).

We observe the church ordinances.

We believe in water baptism and Holy Communion—the Lord’s Supper—as the ordinances of the church to be observed as public declarations of salvation through Jesus and in commendation of his death, burial, and resurrection in victory over Satan, death, hell and the grave.

We believe in the authority of the believer over the enemy.

We believe in the personality and the reality of Satan as an enemy of the Kingdom of God and the Saints of the Lord; and in his ultimate defeat by the Lord Jesus Christ and potential defeat in the lives of Spirit filled believers clothed in the armor of God. (*Revelation 12:9-10; Matthew 4: 2-11; Isaiah 14:12-17; John 8*).

We believe in the authority of the believer over the enemy, Satan, and victory to be gained by the exercise of that authority in the areas of deliverance, healing, and holiness. (*Ephesians 1:20-23, 6:10-17*).

We believe in the Holy Spirit

We believe in the Divine personhood of the Holy Spirit and His presence day ministry to believers which includes the sovereign distribution of spiritual gifts to believers for empowerment for service in the contemporary church. (*1 Corinthians 12*).

We believe in the indwelling of the Holy Ghost for all Christians; it is in fact the indwelling of the Holy Ghost that verifies and validates the believer as a part of the Body of Christ, for He only indwells believers. (*Romans 8:14-27*).

We believe in the spirit filled life as desirable, valuable and an issue of obedience for all believers who are commanded to be filled with the Holy Ghost. We acknowledge that within the body of Christ, the term filled with the Holy Ghost is often used interchangeably with the term baptism of the Holy Ghost. When referring to the controlling presence and power of the Holy Ghost as a result of the submissive will and desire of the believer we allow such alternations of terms. We believe it is the will and command of God that every believer be filled with the Holy Ghost. (*Ephesians 5: 18*).

We believe that all believers are exhorted to be filled, walk in, be led by and live in the power of the Holy Ghost. (*Ephesians 5: 18; Galatians 5: 16, 18, 25*).

We believe that it is God’s desire that all believers live their lives under the control of or being continuously filled with the Holy Ghost. We believe that there are many fillings and there is to be the ongoing filling ministry of the Spirit in the life of the believer for

empowerment to effectively and victoriously live a life that glorifies God. (*Acts 1:8, 2-4, 3:10; 4:8; 4:31*).

We believe the Holy Ghost fills or empowers believers for service in the kingdom of God. Being filled with the Holy Ghost is the result of continuing submission to Divine power and control. (*Acts 1:8; Ephesians 5: 18*).

We believe that all believers are baptized with the Holy Ghost and all believers should be filled with the Holy Ghost. (*1 Corinthians 12: 13; Ephesians 5: 18*).

We believe that the baptism of the Holy Ghost and the filling of the Holy Ghost are distinct, separate, valid and valuable ministries of the Holy Ghost which may occur simultaneously at salvation. Being filled with the Holy Ghost may and should occur after salvation in obedience to biblical exhortation. The baptism of the Holy Ghost occurs once and for all, at salvation. Being filled with the Holy Ghost should not only be a continuous reality, but an ongoing characteristics of the believer's consecrated holiness.

We believe in the spiritual gifts.

We believe in the perpetuity and continuing ecclesiastical value of all spiritual gifts for the edification of all believers and the body of Christ until the end of this church age is consummated by the glorious event, the return of our Lord Jesus Christ. (*1 Corinthians 12-14; Romans 12:3-7; Ephesians 4: 11-12; 1 Corinthians 13:10*).