



# our statement of *Faith*

We believe . . .

- **In one true God**, the Creator of heaven and earth, the Sustainer of all things; eternally existent in three Persons: God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.
- **In the deity of Jesus Christ**, the Son of God.
- We believe that He was supernaturally conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, lived a perfect, sinless life and died on the cross for the sins of mankind.
- He arose from the dead, appeared to many in His glorified body, ascended to heaven and will return to earth in power and glory.
- **In the Holy Spirit** who convicts the world of sin, of righteousness and of judgement, who brings about the new birth and dwells within believers, enabling them to grow in sanctification.
- We believe that the Holy Spirit is a real Person; and that all believers in Christ can enjoy His fellowship, comfort, leadership, direction and empowerment in their daily lives.
- We believe in the baptism of the Holy Spirit for all believers with the evidence of speaking in tongues and the operation of the gifts of the Holy Spirit in the assembly of believers.

- **In the scriptures** as the inspired and infallible word of God, given for the purpose of directing people to salvation. They are authoritative, without error and the only basis of our faith and fellowship.
- **In the salvation of mankind** through the redeeming work of Jesus Christ and the regenerative work of the Holy Spirit.
- Man was created in the image and likeness of God; but fell from this state of glory through the original sin of Adam and Eve, thereby becoming sinful and depraved in nature.
- By turning from sin to repentance and believing in Christ and in His death and resurrection, people are born again into eternal life.
- **In the church** as the body of Christ whose task it is to take the gospel to all people in all nations and make disciples of them.
- The church consists of all persons who have become new creations through their faith in Jesus Christ, who is the Head of the church.
- **In the ordinances of the church** which are the Lord's Supper and baptism by total immersion in water.
- **In divine healing** as has been provided for by the death of Jesus Christ on the cross of Calvary. All believers can claim the promise of divine healing by personal faith in Jesus Christ.
- **In the consummation of all things**, initiated by the imminent physical return of Jesus Christ to receive His church, the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; the one to eternal life and the other to eternal damnation, and the establishment of God's Kingdom forever.