

# Statement of Faith

The educational instruction and all other activities of Family of Faith Christian University shall at all times be based upon and consistent with the following beliefs:

---

The Bible is the mind of Christ and is the inspired, only infallible and authoritative Word of God. (Ps. 119:105, 160; 2 Tim. 1:13, 3:16-17; 2 Pet. 1:20-21)

There is one God manifested in three personalities: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. God is the creator and ruler of the universe. (Gen. 1:1, 26-27, 3:22; Ps. 90:2; Is. 9:6; Matt. 1:22-23, 28:19; John. 1:1-15; 2 Cor.13:14; 1 Pet. 1:2)

The reality of Satan and his present control over unregenerate man does exist. (Jn. 10:10; 2 Cor. 4:4)

Christianity is based upon the following: The deity of our Lord Jesus Christ (Heb. 4:14-15); His sinless life (Rom. 1:3-4); His miracles (Acts 2:22); His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood (Rom. 5:8-11; Is. 53:4-12); His bodily resurrection (1 Pet. 1:3); His ascension to the right hand of the Father (Acts 2:34); His personal return in power and glory as Lord of lords and King of kings (Titus 2:13).

The fall of man and his lost state makes necessary a rebirth through confession and belief in the Lord Jesus Christ. (Rom. 7:23)

The reconciliation of man to God is by the substitutionary death and shed blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Rom. 5:1; 1 Cor. 15:3-4; Gal. 3:26; Eph. 2:8-9)

The resurrection of believers unto everlasting life and blessing in heaven, and the resurrection of unbelievers unto everlasting punishment in the Lake of Fire, which is the second death. (Rev. 2:11, 20:6, 20:14, 21:8; Cf. Jn. 6:50, 11:25; Rom. 8:13; 1 Cor. 15:22; Jn. 5:24, 8:51; Rom. 5:12, 14, 17, 21, 6:13, 21, 23, 7:5, 10, 13, 8:2, 13; 2 Cor. 7:10; 2 Tim. 1:10; Heb. 6:1, 9:14; James 1:15, 5:20; 1 John 3:14, 5:16-17; Rev. 1:18, 2:11, 20:6, 13, 21:8.)

The present supernatural ministry of the Holy Spirit among believers on the earth since the day of Pentecost and continuing until our Lord's return. The Holy Spirit brings conviction, salvation, sanctification, and empowering for the believer and for Christ's church. (Acts 1:8-11; 1 Cor. 2:12, 3:16; 2 Cor. 3:17)

Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. It is an act of obedience symbolizing the believer's faith in a crucified, buried, and risen Savior, the believer's death to sin, the burial of the old life, and the resurrection to walk in newness of life in Christ Jesus. (Matt. 3:13-17, 28:19-20; Mark 1:9-11; Luke 3:21-22; John 3:23; Acts 8:35-39, 16:30-33; Rom. 6:3-5; Col. 2:12)

The Lord's Supper is a mystery established by God in the Church that memorializes the death of Jesus and anticipates His second coming. By partaking in the Lord's Supper one can receive a grace for healing, as well as forgiveness of sins, if the person partakes in faith in the work of Jesus on the cross, i.e. faith in both his blood shed for sin and His body which bore our sicknesses and diseases, and by whose stripes we are healed. (Matt. 3:13-17, 26:26-30, 28:19-20; Mark 1:9-11, 14:22-26; Luke 3:21-22, 22:19-20; John 3:23; Acts 2:41-42, 8:35-39, 16:30-33, 20:7; Rom. 6:3-5; 1 Cor. 10:16, 21; 11:23-29; Col. 2:12)

The church is built by Jesus. The church is His body, and He is filling all things within His church. Jesus is the head of His church. The church is to announce the manifold wisdom of God and is to make disciples of all nations. (Matt. 16:18, 28:18-20; Eph. 1:18-23, 2:19-22, 3:8-12)

The ministry gifts of Ephesians 4:11 are seen as imperative in the building of the church. God has placed

these gifts in His church for its growth and maturity. (1 Cor. 12:28; Eph. 4:11-13)

Oversight by a plurality of elders is to be given to the church. These elders function as equals, with one elder to serve as the first among equals. (Acts 15; 1 Tim. 3:1-7; Titus 1:5; 1 Peter 5:1-5)

The local church is to be autonomous; however, the local elders are to relate to extended eldership for oversight, encouragement, counsel, or correction. (Acts 15)