



New Beginnings Christian Fellowship

S T A T E M E N T O F B E L I E F

We Believe in the Trinity, God 3 in 1: The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. . . **We believe** that Jesus Christ is God's only Son, was born of a virgin, lived a sinless life, died on the Cross for the sins of all mankind, rose from the dead on the 3rd day, ascended to the right hand of the Father, and will return again in power and glory. . . **We believe** that the only way to the Father is through Jesus Christ and His Salvation. . . **We believe** in water baptism and the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. **We believe** in receiving the LORD's Supper. . . **We believe** in the Church, which is the Body of Christ coming together in smaller and unique groups under the 5-fold ministry of apostles, prophets, evangelists, teachers and pastors. . . **We believe** in healing for the whole body. . . **We believe** in God's total provision for His people. . . **We believe** in the Resurrection. . . **We believe** there is a physical place of Heaven and a physical place of Hell. . . **We believe** that tithing is a New Testament principle and essential to the welfare and advancement of the local church as well as the welfare and advancement of the Giver. . .

We believe in the Rapture of the Church and the 2nd Coming of Jesus Christ!

1. **WE BELIEVE IN THE HOLY BIBLE.** The Holy Bible is the inspired and the only positive and authoritative written Word of God. (2 Timothy 3:16-17; 2 Peter 1:19-21; Proverbs 30:5; Romans 16:25-26)
2. **WE BELIEVE IN THE TRINITY.** There is one God, eternally existent in three persons: God the Father, God the Son Jesus Christ, and God the Holy Spirit. (Genesis 1:26; Isaiah 9:6; Matthew 3:16-17; Luke 1:35; John 14:8-28; Hebrews 3:7-11; 1 John 5:7; Titus 3:3-8)
3. **WE BELIEVE IN THE DEITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.** Jesus Christ is God the Son, the second person of the Trinity. On earth Jesus was 100% God and 100% man. He was born of a virgin, lived a sinless life, performed miracles, died on the cross (shedding His own blood) for all mankind—in our place and made amends for our sins. He rose from the dead on the third day, ascended to the right hand of the Father, and will return again in power and glory. (Isaiah 9:6; John 1:1,14; 20:28; Luke 1:26-38; Acts 2:22; 32-33; Romans 5:8; 14:9; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Philippians 2:5-6; Colossians 2:9; Hebrews 4:15; 1 Timothy 2:5; 3:16)
4. **WE BELIEVE IN 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 human works or of any human efforts. However, our works will determine our future rewards. (Acts 16:31; Romans 10:9-10; Galatians 2:16; 3:8; Ephesians 2:8-9; 4:12; Hebrews 6:10; 9:22; Titus 3:5; Revelations 22:12)
5. **WE BELIEVE IN REPENTANCE.** Repentance is 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)
6. **WE BELIEVE IN 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. (John 1:29; Romans 3:10-12, 23; 5:9; Colossians 1:20; 1 John 1:7; Revelation 1:5; 5:9)



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7. **WE BELIEVE IN 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 3:16; 28:18-20; Mark 16:15-16; John 3:23; Acts 8:36)
8. **WE BELIEVE IN RECEIVING THE LORD'S SUPPER.** A unique time of communion in the presence of God when the elements of bread and wine (representing the body and blood of the Lord Jesus Christ) are taken in remembrance of Jesus' sacrifice on the cross. (Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 14:12-26; 16:16; Luke 22:1-23; Acts 8:12, 36-38; 10:47-48; 1 Corinthians 10:16; 11: 23-25)
9. **WE BELIEVE IN THE BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT.** Given at Pentecost, the Baptism in the Holy Spirit is the promise of the Father, sent by Jesus after His ascension, to empower the Church to preach the Gospel through the whole earth. We believe the evidence of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit is the gift of speaking in tongues. (Joel 2:28-29; Matthew 3:11; Mark 16:17; Acts 1:5; 2:1-4, 17, 38-39, 44-47; 10:44-46; 11:15-17; 19:1-6; Ephesians 5:18)
10. **WE BELIEVE IN 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. (Romans 1:11; 12:4-8; 1 Corinthians 12:1-31; 14:1-40; Ephesians 4:16; Hebrews 2:4; 1 Peter 4:10; 2 Timothy 1:5-16)
11. **WE BELIEVE IN THE CHURCH.** The Church is the Body of Christ, the habitation of Christ through the Spirit, with divine appointments for the fulfillment of His great commission. Every person who is born-again through Christ 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. (John 17:11, 20-23; Ephesians 1:22; 2:19-22; Hebrews 12:23)
12. **WE BELIEVE IN THE 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 all Believers. It is also part of Jesus' work on the cross and one of the gifts of the Spirit. (Psalm 103:2-3; Isaiah 53:5; Matthew 8:16-17; Mark 16:17-18; Acts 8:6-7; Romans 11:29; 1 Corinthians 12:9, 28; James 5:14-16)
13. **WE BELIEVE GOD'S WILL FOR PROVISION.** The redemptive work of Christ on the cross provides total wholeness for the Believer
 - Spiritually (John 3:3,11; Romans 10:9-10; 2 Corinthians 5:17-21)
 - Mentally and emotionally (Isaiah 26:3; Romans 12:2; Philippians 4:7-8; 2 Timothy 1:7)
 - Physically (Isaiah 53:4-5; Matthew 8:17; 1 Peter 2:24)
 - Financially (Deuteronomy 28:1-14; Joshua 1:8; Psalm 34:10; Malachi 3:10-11; Luke 6:38; 2 Corinthians 9:6-10; 3 John 1:2; Luke 6:38; Philippians 4:19)
 - Socially (Proverbs 3:4; Luke 2:52)
14. **WE BELIEVE IN THE RESURRECTION OF THE DEAD.** 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; Acts 24:15; 1 Corinthians 15:42, 44; Philippians 1:21-23; 3:21)



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15. WE BELIEVE IN THE PLACE OF HEAVEN. Heaven is the eternal dwelling place for all Believers as recorded in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. (Matthew 5:3, 12, 20; 6:20; 21:4; Acts 24:15; 1 Corinthians 15:42, 44; Philippians 1:21-23; 3:21)
16. WE BELIEVE IN THE PLACE OF 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)
17. WE BELIEVE IN THE RAPTURE OF THE CHURCH. We believe that before the Second Coming of Christ, the dead in Christ will rise first, and those who are alive and remain shall be *caught up* to meet Jesus in the air. (1 Corinthians 15:51-54; 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17; Revelations 3:10)
18. WE BELIEVE IN THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS CHRIST. 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; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-8; Revelation 1:7)
19. WE BELIEVE IN TITHING AND BRINGING OFFERINGS INTO THE LOCAL CHURCH. We believe in the bringing of the tithe to support God's work in the local church, giving alms, and caring for the poor, sick, homeless, and otherwise unfortunate. (Malachi 3:10; Matthew 22:21; 1 Corinthians 16:2; Leviticus 27:30; 2 Corinthians 8 & 9)