

Christian Family Fellowship International Church Doctrinal Statement

I

We believe the Bible is the inspired Word of the Living God, the expressed will of the Father. IITim 3:16,17; IIPet.1:19-21. That these scriptures are the Word of Truth. IITim 2:15 and have creative power, Prov, 4:20- 22, as well as cleansing power. John 15:3,

II

We believe there is but one true and living God, the Lord God Almighty, and in the unity of the Godhead there are three, equal in every divine attribute: executing distinct but harmonious offices in the great work of redemption. IJohn 5:7. God the Father. Isa43:10; Isa44:8; Matt 5:16, 45; Matt 6:9; Luke 11:2; Matt. 23-9: Matt 25:34; Mark 13:32; John 1:14;etc.

God the Son. Co-existent with the Father. Conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary; took upon Himself the likeness of sinful flesh; was crucified; died, was buried; rose again from the dead and ascended into Heaven; will return again to this earth as He went away. John 1:1- 3; Matt 1:23; John 3:16; Isa 43:11; IThess 4:15-18. He is the One Mediator between God and man. ITim 2:5 God the Holy Spirit. The Third Person of the Godhead. He testifies of Christ, John 15:26. Convicts of sin, of righteousness And of judgment. John 16:7-14; 1John 5:7; 1Cor13,14; Mat 28:19; rom 8:11, etc.

III

We believe In the Fall of man. Gen 1:27: Rom 5:12: Rom 5:19; John 3:6; Psa 51-5; rom 3:9-18; Rom 1:18, 32; Rom 2:1-16; Matt 20:15

IV

We believe God has a plan for the Redemption of mankind; that Jesus is the Christ (Messiah) the Son of God, who died for us; the Just for the unjust; died in our place; that whosoever will I may be pardoned of all sin and become a Son of God and an heir and joint-heir with Jesus Christ. Isa 53-5, 7: Titus 2:14; Heb 7:25; Isa 1:18

V

We believe salvation is through grace as the result of repentance for sin and acceptance of Jesus Christ as the Redeemer, the Lord of our lives Eph 2:8; Rom 3:10; Isa 64:6; John 6:47; Rom 6:23. We believe the work of redemption was finished on Calvary and is not augmented by personal sacrifices. John 17:4; John 19:30; 1John 19; Rom 5:1, 8; Rom 8:1; Lake 1:77-79; John 6:37; Titus 2:11, Eph 2:58

VI

We believe except. a man be born again, he cannot see kingdom of God,” and “expect a man be born of water and of the spirit, he can not enter into the kingdom of God.” John 3:3,5. There is only one way of salvation. Acts 4:12. This new birth brings forth a new creature, a son of God. IICor 5:17

VII

We believe earnest adherence to the scriptural teaching And example will bring forth persecution, John 15:19; Ps 1:1, 2: Gal 2:20

VIII

We believe we are to be partakers of the Holiness of Jesus Christ. IICor 7:1, and the spirit, soul and body are to be preserved blameless unto the coming of Our Lord Jesus Christ. IThess 4:3; Thess S:23; Prov 4:18; Heb. 6:1

IX

We believe water baptism is the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, according to the command of our Lord, Is an outward sign of an inward work; that as we are buried with Him so shall we also be raised with Him to newness of life. Matt 28:19; Acts 10:47,48; Rom 6:4; Col 2:2-12; IPet 3:20, 21; Acts 22:16; Acts 2:41

X

We believe In the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Matt 3:11; Mark 1:8; Luke 3:16; Mark 10:39; Acts 1:5,8; Acts 2:1- 4; Acts 11:15,16; 1Cor 12:13; Luke 11:13; Luke 12:12; Acts 10:38-47; Acts 15:8. We believe that his baptism of the Spirit is the incoming of the promised Comforter in mighty and glorious fullness, John 15:26; to endue the believer with power to glorify and exalt the Lord Jesus Christ; to give inspired utterance in witnessing for Him: to lead into all truth; to equip the individual and the church for practical, efficient soul-winning. May it be said of us as the early believers, The Holy Ghost fell on them as on us at the beginning. John 14:16, 17; Acts 15:8; Acts 2:1-4; Acts 8:17; Acts 10:44-46; Acts 2:38.

XI

We believe we are to live a daily Christian life; that our moderation should be known of all men. Phil4:5; Eph 4:14,15. We believe that selfishness is the cause of foolishness, fanaticisms, unseemly manifestations, back-bittings, murmurings, criticisms and other ungodly acts, and as such as displeasing to and condemned by the Lord. Prov25:23; Rom 1:30; Psa 15:3; 1Tim 4:7. We believe that as we are filled with the Spirit we are live and walk the Spirit. Eph 4:30-32 with Eph 6:18; Rom 12:1,2; 1John 2:6; Gal5:16, 25 1Cor 3:16,17.

XIII

We believe what as Christ has given to the Church apostles prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers so apostles prophet, the the individual believer: the word of wisdom the word of knowledge, faith, gifts of healing, miracles, prophecy, discerning of spirits, tongues and interpretation of tongues. Eph 4:11-13, 1Cor 12:1, 4-1; 1Cor 14:12; Rom 11:29; Rom 12:6-8 We believe these gifts are to be earnestly desired and coveted and that the fruit of the Spirit will be produced as evidence of the Spirit-filled life.

XIV

We believe in the commemoration and observance of the Lord's Supper by the sacred use of the broken bread and the juice of the vine: that the serving and receiving of these emblems of the broken Body and shed Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ should always be preceded by the most

solemn heart-searching self-examination, that none partake unworthily, ICor 11:23-24; ICor3-5; John 15:12-14.

XV

We believe in the visible church upon earth. Acts 2:47; Acts 16:5. We believe that such visible church is a congregation of believers who has associated themselves together in Christian fellowship and in the unity of the Spirit observing the ordinances of Christ and working harmoniously together for the purpose of worshipping Him sending forth the gospel to the heathen everywhere to provide a spiritual environment for children and in every way co-operating for the edification and encouragement of believers as well as presenting the gospel to the world.

XVI

We believe one can only become a member of the true church of Christ through the New Birth. Acts 2:47; Eph. 5:25,29, Col 1:18,24.

XVII

We believe in Divine Healing; that Jesus Christ is not only the Savior of the soul, but the Healer of the body, the great and perfect Physician; He is the same yesterday, today and forever and heals the sick and afflicted in answer to believing prayer; the prophecy of Isa 53:1-7 is fulfilled in Matt 8:17; Matt 9-5; Acts 4:29,30; Luke 10:1, 17-20. We believe He commissions believers to pray for the sick. James 5:13-16; Mark 16:15-18

XVIII

We believe the Second Coming of Jesus Christ is personal and He will return in exactly the same manner as He went away. Acts 1:11; Titus 2:12,13. "But of that day and hour knoweth no man." Matt24:36,42,44. We believe His personal return to this earth to be near at hand, and each day should be lived as though He might appear at any moment, yet in obedience to His explicit command to "occupy till I come: we are to continue His work and His program until "the trump

of God shall sound and the dead in Christ shall rise first", etc. IThess sound and the dead in Christ shall rise first", etc. IThess 4:16,17; Luke 12:35,37.

XIX

We believe in two coming resurrections, the resurrection of the justified and of the resurrection of the damned. The justified are those names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life. Rev 20:4-6, 11-15; Rev 21:27; 22:18,19. "He that believeth not shall be damned." Mark16:15,16; IICor 5:10; Matt13:41-43.

XX

We believe that Hell is a place. Matt 13:41,42; Mark 9:43,44. This place was prepared for the devil and his angels. Matt 25:41. Those who follow Satan will follow him to his doom. Ezek33:11, and share his fate. Rev14:10,11; Rev 20:12-15 with Rev 21:7,8.

XXI

We believe Heaven is a place. John 14:2; Rev 22:5; ICor 2:9; Rev 21:4; Rev 7:15-17

XXII

We believe God approves of Civil Government, but that the perfect society will never be established until Jesus Christ returns to rule as King of Kings and Lord of Lords. In the meantime, we believe civil government is for the good order of human society and that we must earnestly and regularly pray for those who have authority over us. Rom13:13; Acts 5:29; Matt10:28; Dan3:15-18; Dan 6:7-10; Acts 4:18-20; Matt23:10, Rev 19:16.

XXIII

We believe in World Wide Missions. Mark16:15. We believe it to be the Will of God that every person on earth should hear the gospel message of salvation by grace and the gloriously good news of John 3:16,17. We believe one-tenth of the income of saint and sinner belongs to God and should be used for the purpose of carrying the gospel to every person on the earth. We believe the whole world could be evangelized in one generation if God's tithe were thus used; that there are sufficient God-called ones who would gladly go with the message if the means

were thus provided. Mel 3:8-10; Mark 16:15-18; Luke 10:2. We believe 100 percent of missionary funds should go to their designated field.