# **Doctrinal Statement**

## Bible:

- Verbally inspired by God. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)
- Without error. (Psalm 119:160)
- Central theme is to present Christ as Savior. (John 20:30-31)

#### God:

- Three in one; the Father, the Son (Jesus Christ) and the Holy Spirit. (Matthew 28:19; 1 John 5:7)
- Created the heavens and the earth by the spoken word. (Genesis 1 and 2)
- Jesus is God in the flesh. (John 10:30; Colossians 2:9)
- Jesus died so that all people might be saved. (Isaiah 53:6; Hebrews 2:9)
- Jesus rose from the dead, ascended to heaven, and will return to earth (Acts 1:11)
- The Holy Spirit is that which comforts and guides saved people and true churches (John 14:16-17; Acts 2:1-4)

#### Salvation:

- All need salvation (Romans 3:23; Galatians 3:22)
- A free gift from God that cannot be earned by good works. (Ephesians 2:8; John 3:18)
- Available only by placing one's faith in Jesus Christ, acknowledging Him as Savior and Lord. (John 3:16-18)
- All believers are preserved eternally. (1 Peter 1:5, John 10:27-30)
- Those rejecting Christ will suffer severe eternal punishment. (Matthew 25:46; Romans 6:23)

### Church:

- A scriptural church is a visible assembly of baptized believers united to carry out the Great Commission. (Matthew 28:18-20)
- No other body may exercise authority over a church, such as associations and committees. (Matthew 20:25-28)
- The ordinance of baptism is immersion of a believer, administered by a church. (Acts 2:41, 8:12, 38-39)
- The Lord's Supper is a memorial ordinance practiced by church members. (1 Corinthians 11:23-27)