

TRCS STATEMENT OF FAITH

1. We believe the Bible to be the only inspired, infallible, authoritative, inerrant Word of God (2 Timothy 3:15, 2 Peter 1:21).
2. We believe there is only one God, eternally existent in three persons- Father, Son and Holy Spirit (Genesis 1:1, Matthew 29:19, John 10:30).
3. We believe in the deity of Christ (John 10:33), His virgin birth (Isaiah 7:14, Matthew 1:23, Luke 1:35),
4. His sinless life (Hebrews 4:15, 7:26), His miracles (John 11:25, 1 Corinthians 15:4), His ascension to the right hand of the Father (Mark 16:19), His personal return in power and glory (Acts 1:11 and Revelation 19:11).
5. We believe in the absolute necessity of regeneration by the Holy Spirit for salvation because of the exceeding sinfulness of human nature and that men are justified on the single ground of faith in the shed blood of Christ and that only by God's grace and through faith alone are we saved (John 3:16-19, 5:24; Romans 3:23, 5:8-9; Ephesians 2:9-10; Titus 3:5).
6. We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost, they that are saved unto the resurrection of life, and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation (John 5:28-29).
7. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ (Romans 8:9, 1 Corinthians 12:12-13,
8. Galatians 3:26-28).
9. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life (Romans 8:13-14, 1 Corinthians 3:16, 6:19-20, Ephesians 4:30, 5:18).

Interdenominational Policy

In order to serve the greater Christian community, the school takes no official position regarding the areas listed below. Students are encouraged to seek direction from their parents and church regarding their specific beliefs. In honoring the purpose and community outreach of the school, there shall be no attempt by students, staff or parents to promote a specific denominational position regarding the listed issues within the school setting.

1. Church government-authority, discipline
2. Time and mode of baptism
3. Security of the believer
4. Timing of future events
5. Second work of grace-baptism of the Holy Spirit
6. Sinless perfection
7. Charismatic gifts such as: tongues, interpretation of tongues, and discerning of spirits

I affirm the above TRCS Statement of Faith:

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Northlake Baptist Church Statement of Faith (adopted 1996)

Preamble

American Baptist Evangelicals, in accordance with the historic Baptist tradition, hold to Believers Baptism by immersion, Liberty of Conscience, the Separation of Church and State, and the Priesthood of the Believer. We also affirm the following distinctives;

The Authority of Scripture

The Bible is the inspired, authoritative and infallible Word of God and is our sole rule of faith and practice. It is the standard by which all human conduct and creeds should be tried.

The Trinity

There is only one true and living God who is manifested in three eternal and coequal persons; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. God possesses holiness, omnipotence, omniscience, omnipresence, love, mercy, and all other perfections. All humankind owes to Him supreme faith and obedience.

Humankind

Humankind has been created in the image of God but through Adam's fall is now sinful, lost and condemned. By deliberate choice all participate in sin, which is open rebellion to God's law. Notwithstanding the fall, all human life through creation has value and dignity.

Justification by Faith

Human beings can be forgiven of sin and justified solely through the redeeming work of Jesus Christ who died for sinners and rose again from the dead. Only by repentance from sin and faith in Jesus Christ the Lord can acceptance with God be attained.

Regeneration

Regeneration is the work of the Holy Spirit by which the believer receives a new nature from God. Christian growth or sanctification is the continuation of the new life principle which begins in the new birth.

The Church

The church in its widest sense includes all believers of all ages. The church is manifested visibly in the local body of baptized believers who covenant together to worship, observe the ordinances, and evangelize.

Human Destiny

Jesus Christ will eventually return visibly at which time He will raise the dead and judge all people. Believers will enjoy an eternal state of blessedness in heaven while unbelievers will experience eternal separation from God in hell.

Evangelism and Social Concern

The church has been called to preach the gospel so that individual people can receive salvation. Also the church is to become involved in the improvement of society by advocating Biblical principles which militate against poverty, racism, violence, and all forms of injustice against humankind.

Human Sexuality

God's design is that man and woman either be joined together in a perpetual monogamous relationship or live in a single state. The practice of extra-marital sex, adultery or homosexuality is inconsistent with biblical teaching.

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