

CHRISTIAN FAMILY BAND MAGAZINE STATEMENT OF FAITH AND PRACTICE

We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative Word of God and inerrant in the words of the original documents. We further believe that there is no person or organization that speaks directly for Christ today but that Scripture teaches that there is but one mediator between God and man, Jesus Christ.

We believe that there is one God, and only one, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We believe in God as the Creator of heaven and earth and all created beings through means of special creation and reject evolution as a paradigm for creating man or cosmic origins. We understand evolution in all of its forms, to be a contradiction to the clear teaching of Scripture.

We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory.

We believe in salvation by grace through faith in the atoning work of Christ on the Cross as the only means of salvation. We believe salvation is personal, that is between the individual and God and is not determined by one's family, religious, or church affiliation.

We believe that for the salvation of lost and sinful people, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential. (You must be born again. John 3:3)

We believe that true saving faith results in a life of good works that are pleasing to God. Whereas the believer will not be perfected until they are glorified, true saving faith imbibes a spirit of adoption whereby the will is being sanctified and there results a desire to live a life in obedience to God. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit, by whose indwelling, the Christian is enabled to live a godly life.

We believe in the unity of every believer in Christ and the corresponding opportunities and responsibilities for fellowship, mutual accountability, and service. Understanding that we are all commanded to grow in unity into a mature man, we seek to work together with other individuals as much as our conscience allows and to pursue that practical unity. This means accepting our freedom in Christ and Christian liberty to guide us in secondary issues where God's salvific purposes are not at stake, and where Scripture is not abundantly clear. (Eschatology, for example, would be one of those areas). In our disagreements, we seek to disagree agreeably, in love, and pursue the gentleness of wisdom while holding to the dictates of our conscience and Scripture, as we believe the Spirit leads us individually.

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.

Regarding social issues of marriage, we believe that marriage is between one man and one woman, ideally and by His design, for life. We reject co-habitation, polygamy, and homosexuality as contradictions to the clear teaching of Scripture.