

Statement of Faith: Tabernacle of God for All Nations

At Tabernacle of God for All Nations, our vision is built upon the foundational pillars of Truth, Triumph, and Transformation. We believe that genuine encounters with God's truth lead to spiritual triumph in our lives, resulting in profound personal and communal transformation. Our beliefs, rooted in the infallible Word of God, guide every aspect of our faith and conduct.

The Holy Bible

We believe the Bible, as originally given, is without error, the fully inspired, infallible Word of God, and the supreme and final authority in all matters of faith and conduct. The New Testament is our sole rule for discipline and governance.

(2 Timothy 3:15-17; 2 Peter 1:21)

The One True God: The Trinity

We believe in one true God, eternally existing as three co-equal and co-eternal Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. These three are one God, sovereign in creation, providence, and redemption.

(John 10:36; 14:26; 20:21-22)

The Lord Jesus Christ

We believe in the true and proper deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, His virgin birth, His real and complete humanity, His sinless life, His authoritative teaching, His substitutionary and atoning sacrifice through His shed blood, His bodily resurrection, His ascension to the right hand of the Father, His heavenly intercession, and His personal, physical, and visible return to receive His Church and reign in power and glory.

(Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:18, 23; Luke 1:34-35)

Special Creation

We believe that the triune God created the universe from nothing, without any evolutionary process. We affirm the historicity of the first eleven chapters of Genesis.

(Genesis 1:1; Nehemiah 9:6; Psalms 102:25; Acts 14:15)

Satan

We believe that Satan, originally a perfect being, rebelled against God. As a result, he became depraved, the devil, and adversary of God and His people, leading a host of

fallen angels. Satan was judged and defeated at the cross and awaits his ultimate doom at the conclusion of the Millennial Reign after Jesus Christ's Second Advent.

(Ephesians 2:2; 1 Thessalonians 3:5; 1 Peter 5:8; Revelation 12:9; 20:1-3; 7-10)

Humanity and The Fall

We believe in the inherent dignity and value of every person, created in God's image and likeness, male and female, to be in fellowship with God and serve His purposes.

However, due to the universal sinfulness of all people from the Fall, humanity willingly transgressed, incurring not only physical death but also spiritual death—separation from God. Consequently, humanity is subject to God's righteous wrath and condemnation.

(Genesis 1:26-27; 2:17; 3:6; Romans 5:12-19)

The Holy Spirit and Sanctification

We believe in the deity of the Holy Spirit, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. His work is essential in the conviction of sin, repentance, regeneration, and sanctification. Believers are promised an endowment of power, a gift of Christ through the baptism in the Holy Spirit, evidenced by speaking in other tongues, as the Spirit gives utterance (Acts 2:4; 10:46; 19:6). This empowers believers for fuller participation in the Church's ministry, worship, evangelism, and service, bringing an overflowing fullness of the Spirit, a deepened reverence for God, and an active love for Christ, His Word, and the lost. Sanctification is both an act of separation from evil and dedication to God, obtainable as a definite work of grace received by faith in Christ's blood and realised by recognising our identification with Christ in His death and resurrection, offering every faculty to the Holy Spirit's dominion.

(Romans 6:1-11,13; 8:1-2,13; Galatians 2:20; Philippians 2:12-13; 1 Peter 1:5; John 7:37-39; Acts 4:8; Mark 16:20)

Salvation

We believe that humanity's only hope of redemption is through the shed blood of Jesus Christ.

Salvation is received through repentance towards God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Through the washing of regeneration and the renewing of the Holy Spirit, being justified by grace through faith, sinners are pardoned, accepted as righteous in God's sight, and become heirs of God according to the hope of eternal life. This justification, imputed by God's grace through Christ's atoning work, is received by faith alone and evidenced by the Fruit of the Spirit and a holy life.

(Luke 24:47; John 3:3; Romans 8:16; 10:13-15; Ephesians 2:8; 4:24; Titus 2:11, 3:5-7; 2:12)

The Church and Its Mission

We believe in the spiritual unity and the priesthood of all believers in Christ, comprising the universal Church, the Body of Christ. The Church, the habitation of God through the Spirit, has a divine appointment for fulfilling its great commission: to evangelise the world, worship God, and build a body of believers being perfected in the image of His Son. We emphasise the New Testament apostolic pattern of teaching and encouraging believers to be baptised in the Holy Spirit, enabling them to evangelise with supernatural signs, deepen their worship, and fully express the Holy Spirit's fruit, gifts, and ministries for the edification of the body.

(Ephesians 1:22-23; 2:22; 4:11-16; Hebrews 12:23; Acts 1:8; Matthew 28:19-20; Mark 16:15-16, 16:15-20; 1 Corinthians 12:13, 12:28, 14:12; 2:10-16; 13; 14; 4:29-31; Hebrews 2:3-4; Galatians 5:22-26; Colossians 1:29)

The Ministry

We believe in the ministries Christ has set in His Church: apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers, and in the present operation of the manifold Gifts of the Holy Spirit according to the New Testament. A divinely called and scripturally ordained ministry is provided to lead the Church in evangelisation, worship, and building up the saints.

(1 Corinthians 12:1-31; Mark 16:15-20; John 4:23-24; Ephesians 4:11-16)

The Ordinances and Practices of the Church

We believe in the following ordinances and practices:

- **Baptism in Water:** The immersion of believers in water in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, in obedience to Christ's command. This publicly declares their death with Christ and resurrection to newness of life. (Matthew 28:19; Mark 16:16; Acts 10:47-48; Romans 6:4)
- **Holy Communion:** The Lord's Supper, using bread and the fruit of the vine, as a symbol of our sharing in Christ's divine nature, a memorial of His suffering and death, and a prophecy of His second coming, observed by all believers until He returns. (2 Peter 1:4; 1 Corinthians 11:26)
- **Foot Washing:** While scripturally sound, its practice in the local assembly is optional. (John 13:4-17)

- **Child Dedication:** We encourage presenting children to the Lord in dedication and blessing until they are old enough to make their own decision. (Luke 2:27; Mark 10:13-16)

Divine Healing

We believe that divine healing is an integral part of the Gospel. Deliverance from sickness is provided for in the atonement of Christ and is the privilege of all believers.

(Isaiah 53:4-5; Matthew 8:16-17; James 5:14-16)

The Blessed Hope

We believe in the imminent and blessed hope of the Church: the resurrection of those who have fallen asleep in Christ and their translation together with those who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord.

(1 Thessalonians 4:16-17; Romans 8:23; Titus 2:13; 1 Corinthians 15:51-52)

The Millennial Reign of Christ

We believe in the catching away of the prepared and waiting saints, followed by the Great Tribulation, and then the return of our Lord with His saints and holy angels in power and great glory to reign on earth for a thousand years. This reign will bring the salvation of national Israel and the establishment of universal peace.

(Ezekiel 37:21-22; Zephaniah 3:19-20; Romans 11:26-27; Isaiah 11:6-9; Psalms 72:3-8; Micah 4:3-4)

The Future State and Final Judgment

We believe in the resurrection of the dead and the final judgment of the world. There will be an eternal conscious bliss for the righteous and an eternal conscious punishment for the wicked.

Whosoever is not found written in the Book of Life, along with the devil and his angels, the beast, and the false prophet, will be consigned to everlasting punishment in the lake of fire and brimstone, which is the second death.

(Matthew 25:46; Mark 9:43-48; Revelation 19:20; 20:11-15; 21:8)

The New Heaven and the New Earth

According to His promise, we look for new heavens and a new earth where righteousness dwells.

(2 Peter 3:13; Revelation 21:1)

Tithes and Offerings

We believe the needs of the New Testament Church, its various ministries, and its God-ordained leadership are to be met by the tithes and offerings of believers.

(Matthew 23:23; 1 Corinthians 16:1; 2 Corinthians 9:6-7)

Biblical Marriage

We believe the Bible is the highest authority for both church and life. God, in constituting the first accredited institution in society, defined marriage as exclusively between one man and one woman.

(Genesis 1:27, 2:18, 23-24; 2 Timothy 3:16-17)

