## **Mission Statement**

We are a Family. A family from different cultures, denominations, and backgrounds doing our best to love God, love people, and promote The Kingdom of Christ above our own.

As Connection Point, we have accepted and adopted the following Statement of Fundamental Truths. We shall seek, by the grace of God, to teach, communicate, and cultivate the doctrines contained in the Statement of Fundamental Truths.

## Statement of Fundamental Truths

- 1. We believe in one triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
  - \* 1 John 5:7 NKJV
    - > 7 For there are three that bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one.
  - Luke 3:22 NKJV
    - ➤ 22 And the Holy Spirit descended in bodily form like a dove upon Him, and a voice came from heaven which said, "You are My beloved Son; in You I am well pleased."
- 2. We believe God is sovereign. He created all things and has reigned, is now reigning, and forever will reign over all things.
  - ❖ Isaiah 43:10 NKJV
    - ➤ 10 "You are My witnesses," says the Lord, "And My servant whom I have chosen, That you may know and believe Me, And understand that I am He. Before Me there was no God formed, Nor shall there be after Me.
  - ❖ Isaiah 45:12 NKJV
    - ➤ 12 I have made the earth, And created man on it. I (My hands) stretched out the heavens, And all their hosts I have commanded.
- 3. We believe God the Son came to us fully God and fully man in Jesus Christ who lived, died on a cross as a sacrifice for our sins, and was physically resurrected to save us from death and to allow us as faithful believers in him to live eternally in God's presence. Jesus Christ alone reigns as head of the church.
  - Matthew 1:23 NKJV
    - ➤ 23 "Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," which is translated, "God with us."
  - ❖ I John 4:10 NKJV
    - ➤ 10 In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.
  - Colossians 1:15-22 NKJV

- ➤ 15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 16 For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. 17 And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist. 18 And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence. 19 For it pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell, 20 and by Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross. 21 And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled 22 in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight
- 4. We believe God the Holy Spirit is present within all of those who believe Jesus is the only true Son of God, to instruct us, empower us, and seal us as God's children.
  - ❖ John 14:16-17 NKJV
    - ➤ 16 And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever— 17 the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.
  - Ephesians 1:13-14 (NKJV)
    - ➤ 13 In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, 14 who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory.
- 5. We believe the Bible is the word of God to all humankind. It was inspired by the Holy Spirit and is the unique and authoritative guide to faith and practice.
  - ❖ 2 Timothy 3:16-17 NKJV
    - ➤ **16** All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, **17** that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.
- 6. We believe Baptism and Communion are both sacraments that were specifically instituted by Jesus Christ and symbolize God's choice to love us. This is symbolic only. No matter the amount of sacraments we do, we cannot earn God's love. Our salvation is dependent solely on God's grace through his gift of faith in Christ.
  - \* Mark 16:16 NKJV
    - ➤ 16 He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.
  - \* Romans 6:4 NKJV
    - ➤ 4 Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.
  - 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 NKJV
    - ➤ 23 For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; 24 and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me." 25 In the same manner He also took the

cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." **26** For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes.

- 7. As believers in Jesus Christ, we are a community of people called to witness for Him in this world through our words and actions. Specifically, we believe that everyone who professes faith in Jesus Christ is called to work in evangelism, discipleship, and caring ministries as ambassadors for God, assisting his plan for reconciling and redeeming the world to Christ.
  - ♦ Matthew 28:19-20 NKJV
    - ➤ **19** Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, **20** teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.
  - ❖ Ephesians 4:11-16 NKJV
    - ➤ 11 And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, 12 for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, 13 till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; 14 that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting, 15 but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ—16 from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.