

Church Covenant

I believe...

- in the full, verbal inspiration and authority of the Scriptures (God's Holy Word) and that it is to be my authority by which to live a life pleasing unto God. (Ps. 19:7; 2 Tim. 3:16; 2 Pet. 1:21)
- in the one true God existing in three persons—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. (John 14:9-11, 16-17)
- in the deity, virgin birth, sinless life, substitutionary death, bodily resurrection and present intercession of Jesus Christ. (1 Cor. 15:3-4; Matt. 1:18-25; 2 Cor. 5:21; Heb. 4:15; John 14:7)
- that God created the universe, heavens and earth, and man in the image of God. (Gen. 1:26-27; Rom. 3:10, 23)
- in the personality and deity of the Holy Spirit and His work of convicting, regenerating, indwelling, filling and sealing. (John 16:7-11; Acts 5:3-4; Rom. 8:9; 1 Cor. 12:12-14; Eph. 1:13)
- in salvation through grace, totally apart from works. The only conditions are repentance and faith. (John 10:28; Eph. 1:13; 2:8-9; 1 Pet. 1:5)
- in righteous living and good works in the life of a believer as evidence of salvation, but not as a means for obtaining it. (2 Tim. 1:9; James 2:14-26)
- in the personality of Satan and his present position as the god of this world in opposition to God while limited in power by Him. (Luke 10:18; John 14:30; 2 Cor. 4:4; Eph. 6:11-12)
- in the one true Church composed of all true believers of this age, organized into autonomous but cooperating local churches. (Matt. 28:16-20; Acts 1:6-8; 1 Cor. 12:12-14; Eph. 1:3-6, 22-23)
- in the pre-tribulational return of Jesus Christ for His Church and the visible and personal pre-millennial return with His Church. (1 Thess. 4:13-18; Rev. 20:1-6)
- in the eternal conscious existence of both the saved and the unsaved—the saved in eternal blessedness with Christ, and the unsaved in eternal punishment. (2 Cor. 5:1-10; Rev. 20:11-15)
- it is the Christian's Biblical responsibility to live a life pleasing unto the Lord and that sins such as "fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness, envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, homosexuality" and the homosexual lifestyle and bestiality are against the teachings of the Scriptures. (Rom. 1: 27– 31; Lev. 18:22-23; 20:13; Gen. 19:4-14; Jud. 19:22-23; 1 Cor. 6:9).

- **it is the Christian's Biblical responsibility to love his fellow brother or sister in Christ enough to confront him or her if sin has been committed and there has been no desire to repent. The purpose of this meek and gentle confrontation is to help restore the believer back to full fellowship with God when he or she has erred or strayed from the faith in his or her walk or lifestyle. (Matt. 18:15-20; Gal. 6:1-2)**
- **it is the Christian's Biblical responsibility to honor the Lord through regular church attendance and worship, Bible study and fellowship, giving of tithes and offerings, and sharing of spiritual gifts by participating in the work of the ministry for the glory of God. (Heb. 10:24-25; 2 Tim. 2:15; Malachi 3:8-9; Rom. 12:5-10; 1 Cor. 12:1-7; James 2:14-18; Eph. 4:11-15)**
- **in what the Scriptures declare as it relates to the role of women, women in ministry, young men and the Biblical authority of man. (Gen. 3:16; Rom. 16:1; I Cor. 11:3; Eph. 5: 22-24; 1 Tim. 2:12; 2 Titus 1-8)**