

STATEMENT OF FAITH

Please read the following beliefs held by New Life Church of Jackson and Family Christian School and complete the information on the back side of this form.

1. The Scriptures*

The Bible is the inspired Word of God, the product of the holy men of old who wrote and spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit. The New Covenant, as recorded in the New Testament, is what we accept as our infallible guide in matters pertaining to conduct and doctrine (1 Thessalonians 2:13, 2 Timothy 3:16, 2 Peter 1:21)

2. The Godhead*

Our God is one, but is manifested in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be co-equal (1 John 5:7). God the Father is greater than all, the Source of the Word (Logos), and the Begetter (John 1:14; 14:28; 16:28). The Holy Spirit proceeds forth from both the Father and the Son and is eternal (John 15:26).

3. Man: His Fall from Redemption*

Man is a created being, made in the likeness and the image of God, but through Adam's transgression and fall, sin came into the world. "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). "As it is written, there is none righteous, no, not one" (Romans 3:10). Jesus Christ, the Son of God, was manifested to undo the work of the devil, to give His life and shed His blood to redeem and restore man back to God (1 John 3:8). Salvation is the gift of God to man, separate from the works of the Law, which is operative by grace through faith in Jesus Christ, producing works acceptable to God (Ephesians 2:8).

4. Eternal Life and New Birth*

Man's first step toward salvation is godly sorrow which works repentance. The new birth is necessary to all men, and when fulfilled, produces eternal life (John 3:3-5, 2 Corinthians 7:10, 1 John 5:12)

5. Hell and Eternal Retribution*

The one who physically dies in his sins without Christ is hopelessly and eternally lost in the Lake of Fire and, therefore, has no further opportunity of hearing the Gospel or repenting. The Lake of Fire is literal. The terms "eternal" and "everlasting" used in describing the duration of the punishment of the damned in the Lake of Fire carry the same thought and meaning of endless existence as used in denoting the duration of joy and ecstasy of saints in the presence of God (Hebrews 9:27, Revelation 19:20).

6. Resurrection of the Just and the Return of our Lord*

The angel said, "This same Jesus...shall so come in like manner" (Acts 1:11). His coming is imminent. When He comes, "The dead in Christ shall rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air..." (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17). Following the tribulation, He shall return to the earth as King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Then together with His saints, who shall be kings and priests, He shall reign for a thousand years (Revelation 20:6).

Numbers 1 through 6 indicate major doctrines.

Check all that apply:

___ Active members of NLC since _____
(Date)

___ Attending NLC regularly since _____
(Date)

___ Member of _____
(Church Name) (Address) (Pastor's Name)

___ Parents actively involved in _____
(Department or Area of Service)

___ Committed to regular financial support of a church (tithe, offerings)

___ Attend one or more church(es) but am not committed to one particular church

___ Not attending church regularly (at least one service per week) at this time

___ Student has made a profession of faith in Jesus as Savior

___ Father/guardian has made a profession of faith in Jesus as Savior

___ Mother/guardian has made a profession of faith in Jesus as Savior

I have read and understand the Statement of Faith of New Life Church and Family Christian School. I understand that all classroom instruction, chapel services, devotions, and Bible curriculum will uphold the Major Doctrines of this Statement of Faith, and I will support instruction at FCS, which is aligned accordingly.

Student Signature

Date

Father/Guardian Signature

Date

Mother/Guardian Signature

Date