

Western Plains Christian Convention inc.

Articles of faith

Each member of the Committee believes:-

- a. in the Divine inspiration, authority and sufficiency of the Bible¹.
- b. in the unity of the Godhead with the distinction of three persons in that unity, namely the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit to whom equal honour is due².
- c. that the Son of God truly became man, being begotten of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary³, that his death was a sacrifice to God and a propitiation for the remission of sins⁴, that he was raised from the dead⁵, that he ascended to the right hand of God and is now the all sufficient High Priest of his people⁶, and that he will come again to receive his people unto himself and to set up his kingdom⁷.
- d. that as a consequence of the fall of Adam man became lost and at enmity with God, that he is also without strength to do the will of God.⁸
- e. that the work of the Holy Spirit is in regeneration and sanctification; and is not manifested through a second baptism experience. Further, no one gift of the Spirit is mandatory for all Christians⁹.
- f. that the justification of the sinner before God is by faith alone¹⁰, that every justified one is also born of God¹¹, and that such new birth results in and is made evident by holiness of life and good works¹².
- g. that at death the spirit of man does not cease to exist or become unconscious¹³, and that the dead will be raised to life or to condemnation and that the blessedness of the righteous and the punishment of the unrighteous will be alike- eternal¹⁴.

¹ 2Tim 3.15-17; 1Pet 1.10-12; 2Pet 1.20-21; Ps 19.7-11

² Deut 6.4; Gen 1.2, 26; John 1.2, 5.17,22-23, 14.25-26, 16.7,27-28; Phil 2:6; Heb 1.1-3, 8

³ John 1.1; Rom 8.3; Gal 4.4; Matt 1.20-25; Luke 1.35

⁴ Rom 4.25; 2Cor 5.21; Heb 9.24-28, 10.12-14

⁵ Matt 28.5-7; 1Cor 15.20

⁶ Mark 16.19-20; Luke 24.50-51; Acts 1.9; Eph 4.8-10; Heb 4.14-16, 7.25

⁷ John 14.3; 1Thess 4.13-18; Luke 1.32-33; Is 9.6,7; Dan 2.44-45, 7.13-14

⁸ Ps 53.2-3; Lk 19.10; Rom 3.19, 5.6, 12-19, 8.5-7

⁹ John 3.5-8, 16.8-11; Tit 3.4-7; 2Thess 2.13-14; 1Pet 1.2

¹⁰ Rom 3.21-26, 4.4-5, 5.1; Gal 2.16

¹¹ John 1.12-13; James 1.18; 1Pet 1.23

¹² Eph 2.10, 4.24; Tit 3.4-8

¹³ Ecc 12.7; Lk16.19-31, 23.43; 2Cor 5.6-8

¹⁴ 1Cor 15.51-57; Phil 3.20-21; Rom 14.9-10; 2Cor 5.10; Dan 12.2; Acts 17.31; Rev 20.11-15; Matt 25.46