

ONE WAY CHURCH EXISTS:

4. To ASSIMILATE God's Family (Fellowship)
5. To EDUCATE God's People (Discipleship)

I. WE EXIST TO CELEBRATE GOD'S PRESENCE

- ◉ **Worship:** EXPRESSING LOVE TO GOD!

“Worship the Lord your God, and serve Him only.”
Matt. 4:10

WE EXIST TO CELEBRATE GOD'S PRESENCE

- ◉ Expression of Worship
- ◉ Singing (Eph 5:19)
- ◉ Praying (Ps. 95:6)
- ◉ Hearing the Word (John 17:17)
- ◉ Giving (1 Cor 16:1-2)
- ◉ Baptism (Romans 6:3-4)
- ◉ Meditating (Hab 2.20)
- ◉ Lord's Supper (1 Cor 11:23-26)
- ◉ Commitment (Romans 12:1-2)

II. WE EXIST TO COMMUNICATE GOD'S WORD

- ◉ Evangelism: SHARING THE GOOD NEWS WITH OTHERS!

“His intent was that through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known...”
Eph. 3:10

WHY OUR CHURCH MUST NEVER STOP GROWING

1. Because GOD LOVES PEOPLE!
2. Because God COMMANDS US TO REACH OUT!
3. Because GROWTH IS GOD'S WILL!

We believe our church must grow LARGER and SMALLER at the same time.

III. WE EXIST TO EDUCATE GOD'S PEOPLE

- ◎ Discipleship: BELIEVERS GROW SPIRITUALLY!

“Let us leave the elementary teachings about Christ and go on to maturity...”

Heb. 6:1

IV. WE EXIST TO DEMONSTRATE GOD'S LOVE

- ◉ **Ministry:** MEETING NEEDS WITH LOVE!

“By this shall all men know that you are My disciples — that you have love for one another.” John 13:35

- ◉ The heartbeat of OneWay is to win souls for Christ, develop, equip and sent them forth to continue the process.

- ◉ Every member needs to be a part of one.

IV. WE EXIST TO DEMONSTRATE GOD'S LOVE

- *Every member is a: MINISTER!*
- *Every task is: IMPORTANT!*
- *Every member is a “10” in: SOME AREA!*

OUR STATEMENT OF FAITH WHAT WE BELIEVE

- In essential belief - We have unity. Eph 4:4-6
- In non-essential beliefs - We have liberty Roman 14:1,4,12,22
- In all our beliefs - We show charity 1 Cor 13:2

THE ESSENTIAL WE BELIEVE

- ◉ God is the Creator Ruler of the Universe. He has eternally existed in three personalities: Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. These three are co-equal and are one God.
- ◉ Gen 1:1,26,27,3:22;Ps 90:2;Matthew 28:19

JESUS CHRIST

- ◉ Jesus Christ is the Son of God. He is co-equal with the Father. Jesus lived a sinless human life and He arose from the dead after three days to demonstrate His power over sin and death. He ascended to heaven's glory and will return again someday to earth to reign as King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

Matthew 1:22,23

ABOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT

- The Holy Spirit is co-equal with the father and the Son of God. He is present in the world to make men aware of their need for Jesus Christ. He also lives in every Christian from the moment of salvation. He provides the Christian with power for living, understanding of spiritual truth, and guidance in doing what is right. He give every believer a spiritual gift when they are
- Saved. As Christians we seek to live under His control daily.

ABOUT THE BIBLE

- The Bible is God's Word to us. It was written by human authors, under the supernatural guidance of the Holy Spirit. It is the supreme source of truth for Christian beliefs and living. Because it is inspired by God, it is the truth without any mixture of error.
- 2 Timothy 3:16

ABOUT HUMAN BEINGS

- People are made in the Spiritual image of God, to be like Him in character. People are the supreme object of God's creation. Although every person has tremendous potential for good, all of us are marred by an attitude of disobedience toward God called sin. The attitude separates people from God and causes many problems in life.
- Gen 1:27 Psalm 8:3-6

ABOUT SALVATION

- Salvation is God's free gift to us but we must receive it. We can never make up for our sin by self-improvement or good works. Only by trusting in Jesus Christ as God's offer of forgiveness can anyone be saved from sin's penalty. When we turn from our self-ruled life and turn to Jesus in faith we are saved. Eternal life begins the moment one receives Jesus Christ into his life by faith.

ABOUT ETERNAL SECURITY

- Because God gives us eternal life through Jesus Christ, the true believer is secure in that salvation for eternity. Salvation is maintained by the grace and Power of God, not by the self-effort of the Christian. It is the grace and keeping power fo God that gives us this security.
- John 10:29 Timothy 1:12 Hebrew 7:25

ABOUT ETERNITY

- People were created to exist forever. We will either exist eternally separated from God by sin, or eternally with God through forgiveness and salvation. To be eternally separated from God is Hell. To be eternally in union with Him is eternal life. Heaven and Hell are real places of eternal existence.
- John 3:16 John 14:17 Hebrew 7:25

OUR LIFESTYLE STATEMENT

WHAT WE PRACTICE

- Beliefs are not worth much unless they are
- translated into actions. Based on what the
- Bible teaches, we feel very strongly about the
- Following seven practices:

BIBLE AS OUR SOLE AUTHORITY

- ◉ Since God's Word is the only completely reliable and truthful authority, we accept the Bible as our manual for living. Our first question when faced with a decision is
- ◉ "What does the Bible Say?" We practice daily Bible reading, Bible Study, and Bible memorization. The Bible is the basis for all we believe.
- ◉ 2 Timothy 3:15

AUTONOMY OF EACH LOCAL CHURCH

- Christ is the recognized head of our church, not any person, group, or religious organization. While recognizing the value of associating and cooperating with other groups of Christians, we believe every local church should be self-governing and independent from any denominational control. In relating to our daughter churches that we sponsor, we encourage each congregation to determine its own strategy, structure, and style.
- Colossian 1:18