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# Statement of faith

The Authentic Word Ministries/Zion Temple Celebration Center has adopted the following statement of Faith as its standard and official expression of its doctrine. This Statement of Fundamental Truths is intended simply as a basis of fellowship among us (i.e., that we all speak the same thing, 1 Corinthians 1:10; Acts 2:42). The phraseology employed in this Statement is not inspired nor contended for, but the truth set forth is held to be essential to a full-gospel ministry. No claim is made that it covers all Biblical truth, only that it covers our need as to these fundamental doctrines.

#### **1**. God

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#### We believe in one God

One God eternally existing in the three persons (commonly known as the Trinity); namely, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. The one true God has revealed Himself as the eternally self-existent "I AM," the Creator of heaven and earth and the Redeemer of mankind. He has further revealed Himself as embodying the principles of relationship and association as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Deuteronomy 6:4; Isaiah 43:10-11; Matthew 28:19; Luke 3:22; 1 Corinthians 8:6; Colossians 1:16; Hebrews 1:2

## 2. The Scriptures Inspired

#### We believe in the verbal inspiration of the Bible

The Scriptures are inspired by God and declare His design and plan for mankind. The Scriptures, both the Old and New Testaments (66 books), are verbally inspired of God and



are the revelation of God to man, the infallible, authoritative rule of faith and conduct. 2 Timothy 3:13-17, 1 Thessalonians 2:13, 2 Peter 1:20-21; 1 Corinthians 15:1-2

#### 3. The Fall of man

We believe that all have sinned and come short of the glory of God and that repentance is commanded of God for all and necessary for forgiveness of sin.

Man was created good and upright; for God said, "Let us make man in our own image, after our likeness." However, man by voluntary transgression fell and thereby incurred not only physical death but also spiritual death, which is separation from God. Genesis 1:26-27; 2:17; 3:6-7; Romans 3:23; 5:12-21;

## 4. The Deity of the Lord Jesus Christ

We believe in the Deity of the Lord Jesus Christ

Jesus Christ is the only begotten Son of the Father, conceive of the Holy Ghost, and born of the Virgin Mary. That, as God's son Jesus was both human and divine. He was crucified, buried, and raised from the dead; He ascended to heaven and is today at the right hand of the Father as the Intercessory.

- His virgin birth: Matthew 1:23, Luke 1:31, Luke 1:35
- His sinless life: Hebrews 7:26, 1 Peter 2:22
- His miracles: Acts 2:22, Acts 10:38
- His substitutionary work on the cross: 1 Corinthians 15:3, 2 Corinthians 5:21
- His bodily resurrection from the dead: Matthew 28:6, Luke 24:39, 1 Corinthians 15:4
- His exaltation to the right hand of God: Acts 1:9-11, 2:33, Philippians 2:9-11, Heb 1:3



• His ministry of intercession: Hebrew 7:24-25

#### 5. Salvation of Man

We believe that every person can have restored fellowship with God through 'Salvation' Salvation, Justification, regeneration and the new birth are wrought by faith through the blood of Jesus. Man's only hope of redemption is through the shed blood of Jesus Christ the Son of God. Romans 10.8-13; 1Corinthians 15.3-4, Acts 26.18; Titus 2.11, Romans 8.16, Ephesians 4.24, Galatians 5.22

#### 6. Sanctification

#### We believe in the sanctification

Sanctification subsequent to the new birth, through faith in the blood of Christ; through the Word, and by the Holy Ghost, the holiness is to be God's standard of living for His people. Sanctification is an act of separation from that which is evil, and of dedication unto God. Romans 12:1-2, 2 Thessalonians 5:23; Hebrews 12:14, 23; 13:12; 1 Peter 1:2;15-16; 1Thess.5.22, 1 John2.6.

## 7. Baptism and Holy Communion

We believe in the Ordinances of the Church: Baptism in Water and Holy Communion

Baptism in Water

The ordinance of baptism by immersion is commanded by the Scriptures. All who repent and believe on Christ as Saviour and Lord are to be baptized in the name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Thus they declare to the world that they have died with Christ and



that they also have been raised with Him to walk in newness of life. Matthew 28:19, Mark 16:16, Acts 10:47, 48, Romans 6:4

Holy Communion

The Lord's Supper, consisting of the elements --bread and the fruit of the vine-- is the symbol expressing our sharing the divine nature of our Lord Jesus Christ (2 Peter 1:4, a memorial of his suffering and death (1 Corinthians 11:26), and a prophecy of His second coming (1 Corinthians 11:26), and is enjoined on all believers "till He come!"

### 8. The Baptism of the Holy Spirit

We believe that the Baptism in the Holy Spirit is a Special Experience Following Salvation
The Baptism in the Holy Ghost empowers believers for witnessing and effective service
today, just as it did in New Testament times. Among the physical evidences of the Baptism in
the Holy Spirit is the speaking of tongues. Acts 2.4-8, 38-39, Acts 1.8,10, 44-46, 19.6

## 9. Spiritual Gifts

We believe that the Holy Spirit bestows the gifts to the believers

Believers who accept the validity of these gifts touched the lives of both believers and the unbelievers. 1Corinthinas.12.1-14; 14, Ephesians 4.11-12

#### 10. Deliverance:

We believe that a man can be under the control of the power of darkness; therefore, he needs deliverance.

A believer can be under control of the devil and evil spirits either through heredity curses, unconfessed sin. Though sometimes this bondage cannot prevent someone to inherit the



eternal life but can hinder him from living an abundant, prosperous and victorious life. We therefore believe that God has given to the church the authority over demons and the power to rebuke all the power of darkness that exercises their influence to the people of God; and the authority to bind and rebuke the demons and declare the inner and physical healing in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth. Matthew 18:18; Mark 5.6-13, 9. 14-27, Acts 8:13-24; 16.16-17, John 11.43-44.

### **11**. The Church

#### We believe that the Church is the body of Christ

The church is an assembly of the believers who confess their faith in Jesus Christ. It is built upon the person of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. The doctrines and practices of the church are based upon His teachings. The church has a mission to seek and save all who are lost in sin; and to be the light and the salt of the world. Each believer, born of the Spirit, is an integral part of the General Assembly and Church of the Firstborn, which are written in heaven. Ephesians 1:22-23, 2:22, Hebrews 12:23, Acts 2: 41-42, 1Corinthians 10: 16-17,

## **12**. The fivefold ministry

We believe in the fivefold ministry.

The fivefold ministry is still working today –Apostle, Prophet, Evangelist, Pastor and Teacher was given by God to equip the church for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ. Ephesians 4:11-16



## **13**. Hope

#### We believe in the blessed hope

The resurrection of those who have fallen asleep in Christ and their translation together with those who are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord is the imminent and blessed hope of the church. 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17, Romans 8:18-25; Titus 2:13, 1 Corinthians 15:51-52; Revelation 20.11.

## 14. The Millennial Reign of Christ

## We believe in the Millennial Reign of Christ

Jesus will return with His saints at His second coming and begins His benevolent rule over earth for 1,000 years. This millennial reign will bring the salvation of national Israel and the establishment of universal peace. Zechariah 14:5, Matthew 24:27,30; Revelation 1:7; 19:11-14; 20:1-6; Isaiah 11:6-9; Psalms 72:3-8, Micah 4:3-4

## 15. Judgement

#### We believe that a final judgment will take place

There will be a final judgment in which the wicked dead will be raised and judged according to their works. Whosoever is not found written in the Book of Life, together with the devil and his angels, the beast and the false prophet, will be consigned to the everlasting punishment in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone, which is the second death. Matthew 25:46, Mark 9:43-48, Revelation 19:20, Revelation 20:11-15



## 16. New Heavens and a New Earth

We believe in the perfect coming of New Heavens and a New Earth

New Heavens and New Earth that Christ is preparing for all people, of all time, who have accepted Him as Lord and Saviour of their lives and they shall live and dwell with Him forever in Eternity. 'And so shall we forever be with the Lord!' Revelation 21:1