# **Worship Strategies Statement of Faith**

#### The Bible

The Bible is Holy Word of God, written by His people and inspired through the Holy Spirit, free from error, and is the final authority in all matters for His church.

#### God

God exists eternally as one being, united in three, co-equal Persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Each Person is distinct in their relationship and role to each other, but together, they embody unchangeable and infinite attributes of being, knowledge, wisdom, sovereignty, power, truth, holiness, love, justice, goodness, and faithfulness.

## **Jesus Christ**

Jesus Christ is the Son of God, fully divine and fully human. He lived a perfect, sinless life, died, was buried, rose from the dead, ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father, from which He will come to judge the living and the dead upon His return.

# The Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is our Helper and is the one who works salvation for sinners, enacting spiritual rebirth, indwelling, sanctification, and empowering those who receive saving faith with gifts, sealing them until the day of Christ's return.

## **Condition of Man**

The condition of man is one that, apart from rebirth, is wholly separated from God, due to the Fall of Adam. Man was created in God's own image, and the effects of sin have affected physical and spiritual death, the saving from which only comes through God.

# Salvation

Salvation comes by faith in Jesus Christ, gifted by the Holy Spirit, totally apart from human works and merit.

#### Resurrection

Resurrection was one of the chief means through which Jesus Christ demonstrated His divine power during His earthly ministry, and it was through this that He demonstrated His defeat of death.

# **The Second Coming**

The Second Coming is the literal, visible return of Jesus Christ, signifying the complete restoration of God's creation and culmination of His redemption story.

# **Final Judgment**

The Final Judgment occurs after the Second Coming, in which just and unjust persons are bodily resurrected, judged, and passed to eternal blessedness with God for the just and eternal suffering apart from God for the unjust.

# **Evangelism**

Evangelism is how God spreads His Gospel to the world, of which all believers are called to administer.

## The Church

The Church is the body of Christ, which exists universally and is manifested locally.