

Doctrinal Statement of Cedar Lane Missionary Homes

We believe:

1. That the Old and New Testaments are verbally inspired by God, inerrant in the original writings, and are the supreme and final authority in faith and life.
2. That there is one God, eternally existent in three coequal persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
3. That Jesus Christ, who is God the Son, became man, begotten by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary and throughout eternity continues to be true God and true man.
4. That man was created in the image of God; he willfully sinned and thereby incurred both physical and spiritual death; all men are born with a sinful nature, and consequently become sinners in thought, word and deed.
5. That the Lord Jesus Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures, as a substitutionary sacrifice; that all who believe in Him are saved on the grounds of His shed blood.
6. The crucified body of our Lord was resurrected; He ascended into Heaven and lives there as our High Priest and Advocate before the Father.
7. That all who receive by faith the Lord Jesus Christ are born of the Holy Spirit, become children of God, and are forever kept secure in their salvation.
8. That those who are born of the Spirit are to live the Christian life solely by the power of the indwelling Holy Spirit.
9. That the true living Church is composed of all regenerated believers and its supreme mission is to fulfill Christ's Great Commission by preaching the Gospel to all people.
10. That God wonderfully and immutably creates each person distinctly male or female, and that these two distinct and complementary genders together reflect the image and nature of God.
11. We believe that God created marriage to be exclusively the union between one man and one woman, and that intimate sexual activity is to occur exclusively within that union.
12. That believers are to observe the ordinances of Baptism and the Lord's Supper and to unite in evangelical churches and continue faithfully in this fellowship.
13. That our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will return to the earth personally, bodily, visibly and gloriously, and that all believers should look for His coming which is the blessed Hope of the Church.
14. That the bodies of the dead, both of the just and the unjust, will be resurrected; the saved to enjoy everlasting blessedness and the lost to endure everlasting conscious punishment.

The statement of faith does not exhaust the extent of our beliefs. The Bible itself is the inspired and infallible Word of God that speaks with final authority concerning truth, morality and proper conduct of mankind, is the sole and final source of all we believe. For purposes of Cedar Lane Missionary Home's faith, doctrine, practice, policy, and discipline, our board of directors is our final interpretive authority on the Bible's meaning and application.