


CROSS AMERICA STATEMENT OF FAITH

1. We believe the Bible to be the inspired, infallible, inerrant Word of God. Given that truth, we believe it to be our duty to carefully study what it says and apply it as the supreme and final authority on all matters of faith and life. *2 Timothy 3:16-17, Psalms 119:9-11, 2 Peter 1:20-21*
2. We believe that there is one God eternally existing in three Persons - Father, Son and Holy Spirit - equal in nature but differing in roles and functions. *Matthew 3:16-17, Matthew 28:19*
3. We believe that Jesus Christ is God; that He was born on earth as man; that He lived a sinless life; that He died on the cross for our sins; that He literally rose from the dead; and, lives today ready and able to forgive those who trust in Him. *John 3:16, 1 Corinthians 15:3-4, 1 Peter 3:18*
4. We believe that man was originally created by God and in His own image, but that Adam sinned, marring that creation and separating us from God. We believe that man today is born with a sinful nature and is destined to be eternally lost without salvation through faith in Christ. *Romans 5:12, Psalms 51:5, Jeremiah 17:9*
5. We believe that salvation for every sinner comes solely by the grace of God through faith placed in Jesus Christ. We believe that Christ paid the complete penalty for the sins of every man by His death on the cross. We also believe that all who accept His payment for their sins are adopted into the family of God and given new life in Him. *Romans 5:6-11, Romans 10:9*
6. We believe that the gift of salvation is available to all. *Romans 10:11-13, Ephesians 2:8-9* We believe that all who are saved are kept by the power of God and the eternal love of the Father. We also believe that it is the duty of all who are saved to be faithful to their salvation, making Jesus both Savior and Lord. *Romans 8:29-39, Colossians 1:21-23*
7. We believe that marriage is an honorable state, instituted and ordained by God, as set forth in the Bible, as the lifelong union of one man and one woman, as husband and wife. Therefore, the use of our facility for weddings, anniversaries, or any other event honoring marriage shall be for the union of one man and one woman only. *Genesis 2:21-24, Hebrews 13:4, Mark 10:6-9*

I have read the Statement of Faith and agree with it.

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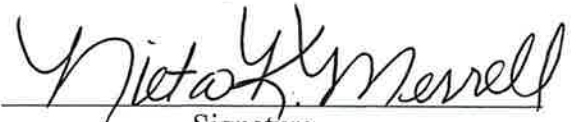
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