# REDEMPTION COMMUNITY BIKER CHURCH - DAYTONA BEACH, FL ARTICLES OF FAITH

## I. SCRIPTURE

We believe that the Holy Bible, all sixty-six books, from Genesis to Revelation is the very word of God. These books were written by men supernaturally inspired, the supreme standard by which all human conduct and opinions should be tried. We believe the word of God contains no error, shall remain to the end of the age and is the only complete and final revelation of the will of God to man.

## **II. THE HOLY TRINITY – THE GODHEAD TRIUNE**

In the unity of the Godhead there are three persons, God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit, equal in every divine perfection, and executing distinct roles in the great work of redemption.

# A. GOD THE FATHER

We believe there is one, and only one, living and true God, an infinite, omniscient Spirit, the maker and supreme ruler of heaven and earth; inexpressibly glorious in holiness and worthy of all possible honor, confidence and love.

#### **B. GOD THE SON – JESUS CHRIST**

We believe that Jesus Christ is the one true Son of God. He was born to a virgin, lived as 100% man, was tempted as we are tempted, was crucified, died and was resurrected to life on the third day. He is both the Son of God and God, the Son. It is only through His sacrificial death on the cross man may be forgiven of sin.

#### C. GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT

We believe that the Holy Spirit is a divine person; equal with God the Father and God the Son, and of the same nature; He was active in the creation; He convicts of sin, of judgment and of righteousness; He bears witness to the Truth of the Gospel in preaching and testimony; He seals, guides, teaches, witnesses, sanctifies and helps the believer.

### **III. THE FALL OF MAN**

We believe man was created in innocence under the law of the Father, but chose sin by disobeying God. Thus, all mankind is now born into sin and willfully chooses sin; and therefore, under just condemnation without defense or excuse.

# **IV. THE VIRGIN BIRTH**

We believe that Jesus Christ was begotten of the Holy Spirit in a miraculous manner; born of Mary, a virgin, as no other man was ever born or can ever be born of a woman.

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#### **V. THE RESSURECTION**

We believe Jesus Christ was crucified, physically bore all the sins of humanity and died. After three days, He was resurrected, interacted with His disciples and was seen by many other people. He ascended into heaven and is now seated at the right hand of the Father.

#### VI. SATAN AND HELL

We believe Satan was once holy, and enjoyed heavenly honors; but through pride and ambition to be as the Almighty, fell and drew after him a host of angels; that he is now the malignant prince of the power of the air, and the unholy ruler of this world– destined however to final defeat at the hands of God's own Son, and to the judgment of an eternal justice in hell, a place prepared for him and his angels.

## **VII. GRACE IN CHRIST – THE ATONEMENT FOR SIN**

We believe the salvation of sinners is wholly of grace; that the Lord Jesus Christ freely took upon Him our nature without sin, and died as the atoning, sacrificial offering for our sin; that He bore our sins in His own body on the cross, after having risen from the dead, and is now enthroned in heaven and seated at the right hand of the Father.

#### **VIII. SALVATION**

We believe in God's electing grace; that the blessings of salvation are made free to all by the Gospel; that sinners must be spiritually born again by confessing Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and are then transformed into a new creation in the Lord Jesus Christ. The believer then becomes spiritually dead in trespasses and in sins, receives eternal life - the free gift of God and evidence of this change appears in the fruits of his/her life.

## **IX. JUSTIFICATION**

We believe the great Gospel blessing which Christ secures to those who believe in Him, is Justification; that Justification includes the pardon of sin, and the gift of eternal life; it is bestowed not in consideration of any works of righteousness which we have done; but solely through faith in Jesus Christ, His righteousness is imputed unto us.

#### X. BAPTISM AND THE LORD'S SUPPER

We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; is performed with the authority of the local church as an expression of a believer's obedient faith through the symbolized death, burial and resurrection of the old sinful man, to a new creation in Christ. We also believe we should celebrate The Lord's Supper periodically by consuming bread and grape juice together in remembrance of Jesus Christ's sacrifice for us.