

## Messengers of Messiah Statement of Beliefs

We believe:

In the one and only true God, the Creator, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. God always existed and transcends the universe He created. God is holy, loving, merciful, and just. God is all-powerful, all-knowing, and all-present. God is personal and desires to have a personal relationship with each and every human being He has created.

In the Oneness in essence and unity of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: God the Father and the Holy Spirit are spirit; God the Son, in the person of Messiah Yeshua (Christ Jesus), entered Creation by taking on a human body in order to pay the price for sin.

In the only inspired Word of God – the Old and New Testaments – and in the inerrancy of the original manuscripts. That it contains all that we need to know about God's plan of redemption (salvation) and the way to live a life in accordance with the will of God.

In Messiah Yeshua's full deity, virgin birth, sinless life, and miracles.

In the redemptive work of Messiah Yeshua, that His sacrifice was all sufficient and complete atonement for the sins of humanity; that He descended into Sheol Paradise (not Hell Torment), and resurrected bodily three days and three nights after the death of His physical body; that He ascended to the right hand of God the Father in Heaven; and that He will return to Earth to establish His Millennial Kingdom.

That salvation is by grace alone, in the sacrificial atonement of Yeshua alone, by the work of God's Holy Spirit, by the freewill choice of an individual.

That every person who repents (turns to God and God's way for one's life) and trusts in Yeshua's sacrificial atonement for salvation receives full pardon for sin, becomes "born of above", meaning joins the Family of God and the Body of Messiah Yeshua (the True Church), and that this takes place immediately without any other preconditions or any works of the individual, that the believer's spirit is joined in unity with the Holy Spirit of God (the indwelling of the Holy Spirit).

In the present and continuous ministry of the Holy Spirit, whose presence within each true believer enables the believer to live, free of guilt and condemnation, a life in accordance with God's will.

That all the gifts of the Holy Spirit continue to operate in the Body of Messiah (the True Church) and are under the complete and sovereign control of God.

That water immersion (baptism) in the presence of witnesses is an outward personal testimony and witness of the inward transformation and spiritual restoration of a person to a right relationship with God, but that it is not required for salvation. Yeshua said to the repentant crucified criminal at His side: "Truly, I say to you, today you shall be with Me in [Sheol] Paradise" (Luke 23:43).

In the spiritual unity of all true believers in Yeshua – God, Messiah, Lord, and Redeemer – and that together they comprise the True Church, the Body of Messiah.

Galatians 3:28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Messiah Yeshua (Christ Jesus).

