## Grace Christian School Faith Statement

- 1. We believe in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as verbally, plenary, inspired by God and inerrant in the original writing, and that they are of supreme and final authority in faith and life. (II Timothy 3:16-17; II Peter 1:21; I Corinthians 2:13)
- 2. We believe in one God, eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (John 4:24; Mark 12:29; Matthew 28:19-20; II Corinthians 13:14)
- 3. We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, His virgin birth, His sin less life, who is true God and true man. (John 1:1-2; Matthew 1:20; I Timothy 3:16; Isaiah 7:14; John 14:6; Isaiah 53:4-6; Heb 2:9; Romans 1:4)
- 4. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit whose primary work to the sinner is to convict of sin, righteousness, and judgment, hopefully bringing him to Christ; and Who indwells each believer at the moment of conversion, primarily to establish God's work of redemption in him; simultaneously, to join him to the body of Christ with equal privileges with all other believers without additional works of grace. (John 14:16-17; John 15:26; John 16:13-14; Romans 8:9; Acts 1:8; Ephesians 1:13-14)
- 5. We believe that man was created in the image of God; that he sinned, and thereby incurred not only physical death but also spiritual death which is separation from God; and that all human beings are born with a sinful nature and in the case of those who reach moral responsibility, manifest themselves as sinners in thought, word and deed. (Genesis 1:26; Gene sis 2:17; Ephesians 2:1-3; I John 3:8; Romans 5:12-19; Jeremiah 17:9; Psalm 14:1-3; Romans 8:6-7)
- 6. We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures; Who is our substitutionary sacrifice; and that all who believe in Him are justified on the ground of His shed blood. (Ephesians 1:7; II Corinthians 5:21; Romans 5:15-21)
- 7. We believe in the physical resurrection of our crucified Lord, in His ascension into heaven, and in His present life there for us, as High Priest and Advocate. Romans 1:4; 1 Corinthians 15:1-21; Heb 4:14-16
- 8. We believe in "that blessed hope", the personal pre-millennial and imminent return of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. (Acts 1:11; I Thessalonians 4:13-18; I Corinthians 15:51-52)
- 9. We believe in the security of the believer and that all who receive by faith the Lord Jesus Christ are born again of the Holy Spirit and thereby become children of God. Ephesians 2:8-9; Romans 3:24; John 10:28-29)
- 10. We believe in the bodily resurrection of the just and the unjust, the everlasting blessedness of the saved, and the everlasting punishment of the lost. (II Corinthians 5:8; Revelation 14:13; Philippians 3:20-21; Luke 16:19-26; Revelation 20:11-15; II Thessalonians 1:7-9)
- 11. We believe God created the Heavens and the Earth and all that is in them in 6 regular days and rested on the seventh to demonstrate a pattern for his creation. Our planet is thousands of years old, not millions. Humanity was created in the image of God both male and female.

Marriage defined by Jesus is one man and one woman joined together by God and the marriage should not be separated. Any form of sexual activity outside of marriage between one man and one woman is immoral. God is the author of creation even that which takes place in the womb. What man sees as birth defects, Jesus calls opportunities for the glory of God to be revealed. Like any other part of our being, our gender, either male or female, is a defined gift of God that we are given to glorify our Lord with. (Genesis 1-2; Exodus 20:11; 31:17; Psalm 139:13-18; Jerimiah 1:4-8; Ezekiel 3:4-11; Matthew 19:3-9; John 9; I Corinthians 6:9-20; Hebrews 13:4)