

CHRISTIANS UNITED FOR BUFFALO, INC. / STEPS MINISTRIES
STATEMENT OF FAITH

1. We believe the Bible to be the inspired and only infallible, authoritative Word of God.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

2. We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

2 Corinthians 13:14

3. We believe in the deity of Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious death and atonement through His shed Blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His present priestly ministry.

1 Timothy 3:16; Romans 3:25-26

4. We believe Salvation has been provided through Jesus Christ for all people; and those who repent, believe in Him and confess Him as Lord and Savior are born again of the Holy Spirit, receive the gift of eternal life, and become the children of God.

2 Corinthians 5:15; John 3:3, 16-21;
Romans 6:23; Romans 8:14-17

5. We believe that sanctification, holiness and the overcoming life is God's design for the Church, which is the Bride of Christ. We believe that a Christian is someone who not only believes in Christ, but lives like Him and abides by the principles of His teaching.

Ephesians 5:25-27

6. We believe that marriage is the uniting of one man and one woman in covenant commitment for a lifetime and a sacred institution established by God.

Matthew 19:4-6

7. We believe that since mankind is created in God's image, human life is of inestimable worth and significance in all its dimensions, from conception to the grave.

Genesis 1:27; Psalm 139:13-14

8. We believe the Church consists of all who put their faith in Jesus Christ. He gave His church the ordinances of Baptism and Communion. We believe the church is one body, called to unite for the purposes of proclaiming the gospel message, defending the vulnerable, feeding, clothing and sheltering the homeless and poor, fighting injustice,

visiting those sick and in prison, in all things expressing the heart of God for the community.

Matthew 25:31-46; Romans 12:4-5

9. We believe that the Holy Spirit is a divine person, sent to indwell, guide, teach, empower the believer and convict the world of sin, of righteousness and of judgement.

John 14:16-17, 26; John 16:8

10. We believe in the Baptism in the Holy Spirit as on the day of Pentecost and in the continuing ministry of the Holy Spirit as evidenced in charismatic gifts and ministries, and in the fruit of the Holy Spirit in the life of the believer.

Acts 2:4, 10:46, 19:6; Ephesians 4:11;
1 Corinthians 12:8-11; Galatians 5:22, 23

11. We believe in the future, bodily resurrection of all humanity. For those who belong to Jesus, they will live with God forever when Heaven is joined with a redeemed earth. For those who reject Jesus, they will be separated from God in Hell forever. In this final act of mercy, God gives them what they've always wanted: to be independent of Him.

John 5:28, 29; Revelation 20:15

12. We believe in Christ's imminent personal return in power and great glory, and in His present and everlasting dominion.

Acts 1:8; Revelation 1:7; Daniel 7:14.