Gloucester Point Baptist Church Statement of Faith*

As Baptists it has often been said we have no creed but the Bible. This is true, for Baptists have preferred to have confessions of what we believe dating back to 1644. The focus of a creed is on whom we believe. Since we hold the Bible as our creed, it is important to know what we confess to as a community of believers. Each week we highlight a different aspect of our statement of faith/confession, with a brief, simplified explanation at the bottom.

XI. EVANGELISM AND MISSIONS

It is the duty and privilege of every follower of Christ and of every church of the Lord Jesus Christ to endeavor to make disciples of all nations. The new birth of man's spirit by God's Holy Spirit means the birth of love for others. Missionary effort on the part of all rests thus upon a spiritual necessity of the regenerate life and is expressly and repeatedly commanded in the teachings of Christ. The Lord Jesus Christ has commanded the preaching of the gospel to all nations. It is the duty of every child of God to seek constantly to win the lost to Christ by verbal witness undergirded by a Christian lifestyle, and by other methods in harmony with the gospel of Christ.

Genesis 12:1-3; Exodus 19:5-6; Isaiah 6:1-8; Matthew 9:37-38; 10:5-15; 13:18-30, 37-43; 16:19; 22:9-10; 24:14; 28:18-20; Luke 10:1-18; 24:46-53; John 14:11-12; 15:7-8,16; 17:15; 20:21; Acts 1:8; 2; 8:26-40; 10:42-48; 13:2-3; Romans 10:13-15; Ephesians 3:1-11; 1 Thessalonians 1:8; 2 Timothy 4:5; Hebrews 2:1-3; 11:39-12:2; 1 Peter 2:4-10; Revelation 22:17.

What does this mean?

It is the duty of every born-again follower of Jesus Christ and of every church to make disciples of all people everywhere. It is the command of Christ for every believer to seek constantly to win the lost to Christ by personal effort and by all other methods in harmony with the gospel of Christ. At Gloucester Point Baptist Church, we believe our purpose is to **Love God, Love Others, and Serve in the World.**

Matthew 28:18-20 says: And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Welcome To Gloucester Point Baptist Church



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Dillon Evans Margaret Sarratori Connie Stewart Dr. Paul R. Garber Members Pastor Director of Music CYM Coordinator Pastor Emeritus Ministers We thank God you are here and hope you get to know Jesus by receiving His love and His church's ministries. Please fill out a "Welcome or C.A.R.E. Card" & place it in the offering plate.

11:00 am WORSHIP September 24, 2023

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP * 533 vs 1 & 2 "He Lives"

HYMN OF PRAISE * 9 vs 1—3 "Holy Is the Lord"

WELCOME/ANNOUNCMENTS
Sonya Anthony, Deacon
MINISTRIES/PRAYER
Pastor Dillon Evans

ANTHEM Chancel Choir

PARALLEL SCRIPTURE: Deuteronomy 7:6-8 Chase Mitchell

HYMN OF OFFERING * 559 vs 1 & 2 "Rescue the Perishing"

OFFERTORY PRAYER Sonya Anthony, Deacon

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY * Hymn 253

SCRIPTURE: * Acts 13:13-52 Pastor Dillon Evans

SERIES: Acts: To the Ends of the Earth

MESSAGE: "Gospel Driven, Spirit Empowered Believers"

HYMN OF INVITATION * 547 "I Stand Amazed in the Presence"

(please use your hymnals)

CLOSING PRAYER Pastor Dillon Evans
CLOSING CHORUS * 544 "Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It"

"As you go, make disciples..." Matthew 28:19 Pray, call, visit, minister, witness with members and others.

POSTLUDE Please take this time to greet one another

*Congregation Stands

CLOSING CHORUS # 544

"Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It"

Redeemed, (redeemed), Redeemed, (redeemed), Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb; Redeemed, (redeemed), redeemed, (redeemed), His child, and forever, I am.

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SERMON NOTES:

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