Valley Christian Fellowship Statement of Faith

- 1. We believe in the Scripture in the Old and New Testaments as being verbally and completely inerrant in the original writings and of supreme and final authority in faith and life.
 - 1.1. 2 Timothy 3:16-17; 1 Corinthians 2:12-13; 2 Peter 1:21, 3:2,15-16; John 17:17; 1 Thessalonians 2:13; Psalm 19:7–14, 119; Mark 13:31
- 2. We believe in one God, eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
 - 2.1. Genesis 1:1-2; Deuteronomy 6:4; Isaiah 43:10-11, 45:1-6, 48:12-16; Malachi 3:6; John 1:1-5, John 1:19, 10:30; Revelation 22:13; 2 Peter 1:21
- 3. We believe that Jesus Christ was begotten of the Holy Spirit and born of a virgin, and is true God and true man.
 - 3.1. Matthew 1:18; Luke 1:34-35; Isaiah 7:14, 9:6; John 1:9-16, 20:28; Titus 2:13; Hebrews 1:8; Romans 1:2–4,20; 1 John 4:2–3; 1 Timothy 1:17
- 4. We believe the Holy Spirit was sent by the Father as promised to convict the world of sin, to glorify Jesus and to transform the lives of believers into the likeness of Christ.
 - 4.1. John 16:8,13-15, 14:16, 15:26; 1 Corinthians 2:10-12, 6:19-20; Romans 8:9; Titus 3:5; 1 Peter 1:2; Galatians 5:22-23; 2 Corinthians 3:18
- 5. We believe that Man was created in the image of God.
 - 5.1. Genesis 1:26-27, 2:7, 9:6; James 3:9; Ephesians 4:24; Colossians 3:10
- 6. We believe that Man sinned and thereby incurred not only physical death but also that spiritual death which is separation from God; and that all human beings are born separated from God with a sinful nature.
 - 6.1. Genesis 3:16-19; Jeremiah 17:9; Isaiah 64:6; Proverbs 14:12, 22:15; Psalm 51:5, Psalm 58:3; Romans 3:9-12, 3:23, 5:12, 8:7-8; Ephesians 2:1-3; 1 Corinthians 2:14
- 7. We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures as a representative and substitutionary sacrifice
 - 7.1. Romans 3:23-26, 5:6; 1 Peter 2:24, 3:18; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Hebrews 9:26, 10:10; Isaiah 53:5-6; John 3:16; Colossians 1:22; 1 Corinthians 15:3–4; Acts 26:22–23
- 8. We believe that all who believe in Jesus are redeemed and justified on the ground of faith in his substitutionary sacrifice.
 - 8.1. John 3:17-18, 5:24; Romans 3:28, 5:1, 11:6; Ephesians 2:8-10; Hebrews 7:25, 9:12; 1 John 1:7; Galatians 3:22

- 9. We believe that all who receive the Lord Jesus Christ by faith are born of the Holy Spirit and thereby become children of God,
 - 9.1. John 1:12-13, 3:3-6; 1 John 3:1; Ephesians 1:5, 2:19; Romans 8:14-15; Titus 3:5; Ezekiel 36:26; 2 Corinthians 5:17
- 10. We believe that our relationship with the Lord is eternally secure.
 - 10.1. John 6:39-40, 10:27-29; Jude 1:24; Ephesians 4:30; Romans 8:38-39; Mark 3:27; 2 Timothy 1:12; 1 Peter 1:5,23
- 11. We believe in the resurrection of the crucified body of our Lord, His ascension into heaven, and His present life for us as High Priest and Advocate.
 - 11.1. Matthew 28:2-7; Mark 16:5-7,19; John 20:25-27; Luke 24:39, 51; Acts 1:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:3-9; Hebrews 4:14-16; 1 John 2:1
- 12. We believe in "that blessed hope," the personal and imminent return of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.
 - 12.1. Titus 2:13; John 14:3; Revelation 19:11–16; Hebrews 9:28; Matthew 24:30; Acts 1:11; 1 Thessalonians 4:16; 1 Corinthians 1:7
- 13. We believe in the bodily resurrection of the just and the unjust; the everlasting blessedness of the saved, and the everlasting conscious punishment of the lost along with Satan and the other fallen angels.
 - 13.1. 1 Corinthians 15:20-23,51-53; Romans 6:8-9,23; Hebrews 9:27; Acts 24:15; John 3:36, 5:25-29; Revelation 20:10-15, 22:12; Mark 9:47–48; 2 Thessalonians 1:9
- 14. We believe that the Church is a spiritual organism made up of all believers in Christ; that in its local manifestation it is an autonomous assembly of believers;
 - 14.1. Romans 12:5; 1 Corinthians 10:17, 12:12, 12:27; Colossians 1:18,24; Ephesians 1:22-23, 4:15-16; Titus 1:5-7; Acts 15:2; 1 Peter 2:25, 5:1-4
- 15. We believe the ordinances for the Church are Baptism and the Lord's Supper.15.1. Matthew 28:19-20; Luke 22:19-20; Matthew 3:13-17; 1 Corinthians 11:23-27
- We believe the Lord's Supper shall be observed on a regular basis.
 16.1. Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:17-34; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17
- 17. The mode of Baptism is full immersion and it shall be administered only to individuals who have made a personal profession of faith in Jesus Christ. Every member is encouraged to observe this ordinance.
 - 17.1. Matthew 28:19-20; Matthew 3:13-17; Mark 16:16, Luke 24:43; Romans 6:4; John 3:23; Acts 8:38-39