

DOCTRINAL STATEMENT of  
COLEBROOKDALE CHAPEL

1. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and the New Testaments as verbally inspired by God and inerrant in the original writings, and that they are of supreme and final authority in faith and life.  
Ps. 119:105; 2 Tim. 2:15; 3:16-17; Heb. 1:1-2; 2 Pet. 1:20-21
2. We believe in One God, eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
Deut. 6:4; Luke 3:21-22; 2 Cor. 13:14; 1 Tim. 1:17
3. We believe that Jesus Christ was begotten by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, and is true God, and true man.  
Isa. 9:6; 7:14; cf Mt. 1:18, 21-23; Luke 1:35; Jn. 1:1-2; 14:9; Col. 2:9; 1 Tim. 3:16
4. We believe that man was created in the image of God; that he 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 with a sinful nature, and in the case of those who reach moral responsibility become sinners in thought, word, and deed.  
Gen. 1:26; Rom. 3:19-23; 5:12; Eph. 2:1-3, 12
5. We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures, as a representative and substitutionary sacrifice; and that all who believe in Him are justified on the ground of His shed blood.  
1 Cor. 15:1-3; Eph. 1:7; 1 Jn. 2:1-2; Rom. 4:25-5:1
6. We believe in the resurrection of the crucified body of our Lord, in His ascension into Heaven and in His present life there for us, as High Priest and Advocate.

Rom. 4:24-25; 1 Cor. 15:1-8; Luke 24:39; Acts 1:9; 1 Tim. 2:5; Heb. 4:14; 7:25

7. We believe that all who receive by faith the Lord Jesus Christ are born again of the Holy Spirit, and thereby become the children of God; that they are indwelt and sealed by the Holy Spirit and so are secured unto the day of redemption.

Eph. 2:8-9; Jn. 3:3; Jn. 1:12; 7:37-39; Rom 5:5; 1 Cor. 6:19; Eph 1:13-14; 4:30

8. We believe that the Church of Jesus Christ was begun at Pentecost; is composed solely of believers; is the Body and Bride of our Lord; is distinct from Israel; and that its business is to complete itself through the winning of lost souls to Christ.

Mt. 16:18 (future to that time); Acts 11:15 (something started at Pentecost); Acts 1:8; Mt 28:18-20;

1 Cor. 12:13 (no such thing in O.T. – shows separate from Israel.)

9. We believe that Jesus Christ instituted the Lord's Supper to commemorate His death till He come. We believe that Water Baptism is an ordained testimony, portraying the believers union with Christ in His death, burial and resurrection.

Mt. 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:23-26; (Baptism) Acts 8:35-38; Mt. 28:18-20 (Immersion is method that pictures union in death, burial, & resurrection.)

10. We believe in "that blessed hope: the personal and imminent coming of our Lord in the air for His saints." We believe in the personal, visible and glorious return of Christ to the earth, with His saints. We believe that between these events shall occur the seven years of Daniel's seventieth week (Daniel 9:27), the last three and one-half years of which mark "The Great Tribulation", culminating in the Battle of Armageddon.

Titus 2:11-13; Jn. 14:1-3; 1 Thess. 1:9-10; Mt. 24:27-31; Zech. 14:1-4; Mt.24:15; Rev. 19:11-19

11. We believe that “the gifts and calling of God are without repentance”, and therefore His covenant people, Israel, now “scattered and peeled”, shall be redeemed and re-gathered to Palestine; and under the personal and millennial reign of Christ upon David’s throne in Jerusalem, shall become the head of the nations, and “the Gentiles shall come to their light and kings to the brightness of their rising.”

Isa. 18:2; Zech. 14:1-4, 16; Ezek. 36:27-28 – Note: They worship the King at Jerusalem; 14:1-4 clearly shows return to earthly Jerusalem.

12. 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.

Jn. 5:25-29; Rev. 20:4-6, 11-15

13. We believe that Satan, a fallen angel, is the god of this age, the adversary of Christ and His Church, and that his destiny is eternal punishment.

Ezek. 28:11-19; Isa. 14:12-17; Mt. 25:41; Rev. 20:10; 2 Cor. 4:3-4; Rev. 12:10; 1 Thess. 2:18

14. We believe that the “sign gifts” of the Holy Spirit, such as the gift of tongues and the gift of healing, were limited to the Apostolic age, and gradually ceased as the New Testament Scriptures were completed and their authority was established.

I Cor. 13:8-11; cf Eph. 2:19-20 (gifts for the foundation period); 2 Cor. 12:12

Set of tapes available to show tongues were temporary.

15. We believe that man was created in the image of God in a state of innocence. Through Adam's sin the whole race fell, became alienated from God and inherited a sin nature. Man is under the just condemnation of death both physical and spiritual, without defense or excuse. Man is helpless in his lost condition apart from the grace of God (Genesis 1:25-27; Romans 1:20; 3:10,23; 5:12, 16-18; Psalm 51:5)
16. We believe that God has commanded that no intimate sexual activity be engaged in outside of marriage between a man and a woman. We believe that any form of homosexuality, lesbianism, bisexuality, bestiality, incest, fornication, adultery, and pornography are sinful perversions of God's gift of sex (Genesis 2:24; 19:5; 13; 26:8-9, Leviticus 18:1-30; Romans 1:26-29; I Corinthians 5:1, 6:9; I Thessalonians 4:1-8; Hebrews 13:4)
17. We believe that the only legitimate marriage is the joining of one man and one woman. (Genesis 2:22-24; Romans 7:2; I Corinthians 7:10; Ephesians 5:22)
18. We believe that men and women are spiritually equal in position before God. We also believe that God has ordained distinct and separate functions for men and women in the home and in the church. The husband is to be the leader of the home and men are to be leaders (pastors, elders, and deacons) of the church. Accordingly, only men are eligible for licensure and ordination by the church. (Galatians 3:28; Colossians 3:18; I Timothy 2:8-15, 3:4-5, 12)