

## **Renewal Baptist Church Doctrinal Statement**

- (A)** We are Premillennial Baptist. A Premillennial Baptist believes that Christ will come and awaken His children from the dead, change the living saints, and call them up to meet Him in the air. After which will ensure a period of great tribulation on the earth, and in Heaven, the marriage of the Lamb will take place. After that, Christ will come to earth, establish His millennial kingdom, and reign a thousand years over all the earth.
- (B)** We believe in the Bible as an all-sufficient rule of faith and practice. We believe in the Verbal Inspiration of the entire Bible, that not only the ideas of the Bible are inspired, but the very words are God-breathed. (Acts 1:16, 2 Peter 1:20-21, Acts 28:25-27, Revelation 1:1-2 KJV)
- (C)** We believe in the Virgin Birth of Jesus Christ. He had an earthly mother but God was His Father. We believe that He was both God and man – the God-man. (Isaiah 9:6, Matthew 1:21-23, Luke 1:27-35, John 3:14-17, Luke 19:10, Isaiah 7:14 KJV)
- (D)** We believe in the Genesis account of Creation – that man was created by a special act of God, and we do not believe in the modern theory of evolution with respect to creation. (Genesis 1:27-28, Genesis 2:7, Genesis 10:32, Acts 17:26, Colossians 3:10 KJV)
- (E)** We believe in one Triune God, eternally existing in three persons – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – each co-eternal in being, co-identical in nature, co-equal in power and glory, and having the same attributes and perfections. (Deuteronomy 6:4, Matthew 28:19, John 14:10 & 26, 2 Corinthians 13:14)
- (F)** We believe that Jesus Christ instituted His Church while He was in the world, in person, during His personal ministry. (Matthew 4:12-22, Matthew 10:5-8, Matthew 16:18, Mark 3:13-19, Luke 6:12-19, Matthew 28:19-20, John 3:29 KJV)
- (G)** We believe in the New Testament order of New Testament commandments: (1) Repentance, (2) Faith, (3) Baptism, and (4) The Lord's Supper. We believe the ordinances of the church were given to the church by Jesus Himself during His personal ministry. The ordinances are two, baptism and The Lord's Supper. (Matthew 28:19-20, Luke 22:29-30, John 4:1-2 KJV)
- (H)** We believe in restricted communion, as it should be observed by true believers, and that it is the responsibility of each person to judge himself according to God's Word. (1 Corinthians 11:28 KJV)
- (I)** We believe that the commission to evangelize the world was given by Jesus Christ, in person, to His church. (Matthew 28:19-20, Matthew 16:18, Mark 16:15-16 KJV)
- (J)** We believe that the maintenance of the church, as an institution, is one fundamental. (Matthew 16:18, Matthew 28:19-20, Ephesians 3:21 KJV)

- (K)** We believe that repentance and faith are prerequisites to baptism and essential to the salvation of the soul. (Matthew 3:1-12, Mark 3:1-5, Acts 2:41-42, Acts 3:19, Acts 8:35-39, Acts 10:44-48 KJV)
- (L)** We believe that repentance is more than a mere moral reformation – that it changes the very nature of man and, that after he has genuinely repented, he is a new creature in Jesus Christ. We believe in a regenerated church membership. ((2 Corinthians 5:17, John 3:3-5, Acts 3:19 KJV)
- (M)** We believe that salvation is wholly of grace without any mixture of works whatsoever. (Ephesians 2:8-10, Titus 3:5, Romans 4:1-6, Romans 4:16 KJV)
- (N)** We believe that the redeemed, once born again, are kept by God’s power and are thus eternally secure in Christ forever. (John 3:3 & 16; 6:37-40, 10:27-30, Romans 8:1; 38-39, I Corinthians 1:4-8, I Peter 1:4-5 KJV)
- (O)** We believe that baptism is a complete immersion in water. (Matthew 3:13-17, Mark 1:5-11, John 3:23, Acts 8:36-39, Romans 6:4, Colossians 2:12 KJV)
- (P)** We do firmly believe that baptisms administered by the authority of a Baptist church are Scriptural Baptisms. We believe that the baptism of John the Baptist was a Christian Baptism and besides it there is no other Scriptural baptism. (Mark 1:5-9, Acts 1:22, Acts 19:1-4 KJV)
- (Q)** We believe in the personal second coming of Christ to this earth and, that in connection with His coming, the dead saints will be raised from the dead, the living righteous will be changed (translated) and all caught up together to meet the Lord. (I Thessalonians 4:14-17, I Corinthians 15:51-54, Luke 17:34-36 KJV)
- (R)** We believe in the eternal punishment of the wicked forever in hell. (Mark 9:43-48, Matthew 18:8, Jude 1:7, Matthew 25:41, Revelation 20:10, Revelation 14:11, Matthew 25:46, Daniel 12:2 KJV)
- (S)** We believe there will be two resurrections – one for the righteous and one for the wicked. (Daniel 12:1-2, John 5:28-29, Revelation 20:5-6, Luke 14:13-14, I Corinthians 15:23 KJV)
- (T)** We believe there will be a Millennium of 1000 years in which Jesus Christ, with His people, will reign over the earth in peace and prosperity. (Psalm 10:1-19, Revelation 11:15, Revelation 5:10, Revelation 20:2-7, Matthew 25:31, Jeremiah 23:5, Luke 1:32-33, Isaiah 9:6-7 KJV)
- (U)** We believe that the Bible thoroughly furnishes us unto all good works, hence we do not believe that any means, except Scriptural means, should be employed in missionary work. We believe in and support missions in local, state, interstate and foreign fields. We believe in every phase of the missionary work as taught in the Bible. (Matthew 28:19-20 KJV)

- (V) We believe that the only Scriptural marriage is the joining of one man and one woman. We believe that God has commanded that no intimate sexual activity be engaged in outside of a marriage between one man and one woman. We believe that God disapproves of and forbids any attempt to alter one's gender by surgery or appearance. (Genesis 2:24, Genesis 19:5, Genesis 26:8-9, Leviticus 18:1-30, Romans 1:26-29, Romans 7:2, I Corinthians 5:1 and 6-9, I Corinthians 7:10, Ephesians 5:22-23, I Thessalonians 4:1-8, Hebrews 13:4 KJV)
- (W) We believe that human life begins at conception and that the unborn child is a living human being. Abortion constitutes the unjustified, unexcused taking of unborn human life. Abortion is murder. We reject any teaching that abortions of pregnancies due to rape, incest, birth defects, gender selection, birth or population control, or physical or mental well being of the mother, are acceptable. (Job 3:16, Psalm 51:5; 139:14-16, Isaiah 44:24; 49:1 & 5, Jeremiah 1:5; 20:15-18, Luke 1:44 KJV)
- (X) We believe that Christians are prohibited from bringing civil lawsuits against other Christians, or the church, to resolve personal disputes. We believe the church possesses all the resources necessary to resolve personal disputes between members. We do believe, however, that a Christian may seek compensation for injuries from another Christian's insurance company as long as the claim is pursued without malice or slander. (I Corinthians 6:1-8, Ephesians 4:31-32 KJV)