The fundamental truths of Christianity as contained in the Bible include the following:

> Holy Scripture, the Old and New Testaments, is God's written Word and contains all things necessary for salvation. Being God's means of revealing Himself to mankind, it is the supreme authority in all matters of faith and conduct and provides the framework for our understanding of God's creation and His purposes within it.

> Holy Scripture is intelligible in itself but our understanding of its truth is brought about only as the Holy Spirit reveals it to us. It still remains essential that God's people draw to one another's attention the plain meaning of Scripture and its implications for life, and witness to its truthfulness in experience.

> There is one true God who in the unity of His God-head exists in three persons, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

> God's sovereign authority in His creation is exercised in infinite wisdom and goodness.

> Mankind has chosen to rebel against the sovereign God. This event has cosmic significance: it has affected the environment in which man lives, it has marred man's nature including his mind and will, it has distorted his perception of his place in the world and has broken his relationship with God.

> Man by himself no longer has the power to enable him to act in a way that is pleasing to God; from birth man's nature is self-centred and not God-centred, thereby rendering him deserving of God's anger and condemnation.

> God the Son became man and lived in His world. He is known as the man Jesus Christ who is both truly God and truly man. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

> Because of His obedience in life and unto death, Jesus has been bodily raised from death and given all authority. This authority is not recognised by rebellious man, but will be clear to all when Jesus returns in person to judge the world.

> Jesus, the perfect man, died to reconcile the Father to us. His death is the once for all, perfect, propitiatory, substitutionary and satisfactory sacrifice not only for original guilt but also for all actual sins of men. Through the death of Jesus, God Himself has removed the barrier which prevented His full relationship with mankind. We await the final manifestation of this truth.

> Men, women and young people are declared righteous by God as they commit their lives to Jesus in repentance and faith. This conscious commitment is made possible only by the work of the Holy Spirit within the individual; it is not a meritorious work.

> The Spirit of God now lives within everyone who confesses that Jesus is Lord; baptism of the Spirit is not subsequent to a personal confession that Christ is Lord.

> God expects His people to assemble together regularly in the name of Christ for Bible teaching, thanksgiving and prayer to God. Spiritual gifts are exercised not selfishly or egotistically but in the service of and for the edification of the Church.

> Christian parents have the responsibility of disciplining and instructing their children in the Lord. Parental responsibility includes the total welfare of their children: spiritual, mental, physical and cultural.

> The education of children of Christian parents should be God-honouring, being Christ-oriented and Bible-centred.