



## Statement of Faith

These statements form the foundation of beliefs upon which Agathos Classical School has been established. The substance of these statements is considered primary doctrine of Agathos. When other types of doctrine or issues arise, they will be referred to the family and local churches for final authority.

1. We believe the Bible to be the inspired, authoritative Word of God. (II Tim. 3:16)
2. We believe that there is one God, creator of all things, who is eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Deut. 6:4; Gen. 1:1; I John 5:7)
3. We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory. (John 10:30; Matt. 1:18; Heb. 4:15; John 10:32; Rom. 3:25; Matt. 28:6; Rom. 8:34; Luke 21:27)
4. We believe that for the salvation of lost and sinful men, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely necessary. (John 3:3-8)
5. We believe salvation to be a gift of God, attained by grace through faith, apart from any works we may offer. (Eph. 2:8-9)
6. We believe that faith without works is dead. (Jam. 2:17)
7. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose power the Christian is enabled to live a godly life. (Gal. 5:16)

8. We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost: they that are saved to the resurrection of eternal life and they that are lost to the resurrection of eternal condemnation. (I Thess. 4:16,17; II Thess. 1:9)

9. We believe in the spiritual unity of all believers in our Lord Jesus Christ. (John 17:20-23)

10. We believe that God wonderfully and immutably creates each person as male or female. These two distinct, complementary sexes together reflect the image and nature of God. (Gen. 1:26-27.)

Rejection of one's biological sex is a rejection of the image of God within that person.

We believe that the term "marriage" has only one meaning: the uniting of one man and one woman in a single, exclusive union, as delineated in Scripture. (Gen. 2:18-25.) We believe that God intends sexual intimacy to occur only between a man and a woman who are married to each other. (1 Cor. 6:18; 7:2-5; Heb. 13:4.) We believe that God has commanded that no intimate sexual activity be engaged in outside of a marriage between a man and a woman.

We believe that any form of sexual immorality (including adultery, fornication, homosexual behavior, bisexual conduct, bestiality, incest, and use of pornography) is sinful and offensive to God. (Matt. 15:18-20; 1 Cor. 6:9-10.)

We believe that God offers redemption and restoration to all who confess and forsake their sin, seeking His mercy and forgiveness through Jesus Christ. (Acts 3:19-21; Rom. 10:9-10; 1 Cor. 6:9-11.)

We believe that every person must be afforded compassion, love, kindness, respect, and dignity. (Mark 12:28-31; Luke 6:31.) Hateful and harassing behavior or attitudes directed toward any individual are to be repudiated and are not in accord with Scripture nor the doctrines of Agathos Classical School.