

The Bible does not promote \_\_\_\_\_ It promotes \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus Christ.  
"Why are we called a Baptist Church?"

*Timothy 4:1-7*

**HISTORY LESSON:**

AD 325, Constantine called the Council of Nicea in an attempt to unify Christianity.

Catholic = \_\_\_\_\_

One of the major issues that "True Churches" had with the universal idea was that in Scripture there was no one, controlling, \_\_\_\_\_ over the Churches, Christ was the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Church.

True Churches and believers of the Bible would teach the Gospel, which is the Death, Burial and Resurrection of Jesus. After someone believed, they would follow the example of the Bible and Baptize, dip or immerse, them in water. The Catholic Church created a term for these people, they called them \_\_\_\_\_. The Catholic Church eventually dropped the \_\_\_\_\_ from the name and simply called those who were following Scripture "\_\_\_\_\_".

The \_\_\_\_\_ was a strong effort to reform the Catholic Church. This happened in October of 1517.

In 1612, Thomas Helwys established a Baptist congregation in London. This was the \_\_\_\_\_ known group who identified themselves as \_\_\_\_\_, before that baptists were called that by the Catholic Church.

**BAPTIST DISTINCTIVES.**

\_\_\_\_\_ is the only rule of faith and practice. *2 Timothy 3:15-17, 1 Thessalonians 2:13, 2 Peter 1:20, 21*

\_\_\_\_\_ of the Local Church. *Colossians 1:18, 2 Corinthians 8:1-5, 19, 23*

\_\_\_\_\_ of the believer. *1 Peter 2:5, 9; Revelation 5:9, 10*

\_\_\_\_\_ : Baptism and the Lord's Table. *Matthew 28:19, 20, 1 Corinthians 11:23-32*

\_\_\_\_\_ is the only form of Baptism and it is to occur only after salvation. *Acts 2:41-47; 1*

*Corinthians 12:12, 2 Corinthians 6:14; Ephesians 4:3*

\_\_\_\_\_ Liberty. *Romans 14:5, 12, 2 Corinthians 4:2; Titus 1:9*

\_\_\_\_\_ Offices (pastor, elder, bishop) and Deacon. *1 Timothy 3:1-13; Acts 20:17-38; Philippians 1:1*

Baptists did not write these distinctives, there was no book written by Baptists that list these. The \_\_\_\_\_ wrote those distinctives about the "Bible Believers" who they nicknamed \_\_\_\_\_.

**1. As Christians (not Baptists) we are obliged to "\_\_\_\_\_".**

*Joshua 1:7* Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest.

*Revelation 22:18* For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book. 19 And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.

**2. We are called to \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ, not to be in unity \_\_\_\_\_.**

*Ephesians 4:13* Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ:

*2 Corinthians 11:3* But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtlety, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. 4 For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him.

*Galatians 1:6* I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel: 7 Which is not another, but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ.

*Romans 16:17* Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them. 18 For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.

**Who cares what we call ourselves if we don't live what we believe? JUST LIVE IT!**

**Announcements**

**CONDOLENCES AND PRAYERS** - To Don and Brenda DeKruysher, on the passing of your sister Linda Gibson.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER MEETING** - Today following the morning service. See Jim Deters.

**CHURCH WORK DAY** - On May 6 beginning at 9am we will begin removing the brick from the front side of the church. Volunteers appreciated. We anticipate it taking roughly 8 hours from start to completion.

**APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY FLOWERS** - Wednesday May 10 LAC is sponsoring a trip to Holland Michigan for the Tulip Festival. The bus will leave the church at 9am. 1 hour Trolley Tours are available every 15-30 minutes for \$20 pp and \$8 for children under 12 if interested or you can wonder on foot to quaint downtown Holland and take in the parade, Dutch dancing, floats and marching bands that perform daily. The Bus will depart Holland at 3pm stopping at Russ Restaurant for dinner. This event is open to all, sign up in the Welcome Center.

**ITALIAN THEME POTLUCK** - May 21 after morning worship.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** - Please mark your calendars Monday, July 10 - Thursday, July 13. We need all the help we can get, please see Brooke Camp. Thank you and God bless!

**UGANDA CHILDREN'S CHOIR** - Will be at 12th Street on Sunday July 16. The choir & chaperones will arrive in the evening of July 13 and will depart after the morning service. We are in need of Host Families to house 2-3 children and a chaperone on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening. Detailed information in the Welcome Center. Please see Cheryl Campbell if you have any questions.

**MISSION TRIP TO UGANDA** - The Fegally mission trip to Uganda is scheduled to take place July 12th -27th. They are allowed to prescription medicines, non prescription medicines and vitamins with them (Expired is ok if less than 1 year) Prescription medicines such as antibiotics can not be expired.) Following are items they are accepting donations for to take with them to Uganda: Multivitamin for Children and Adults, Prenatal vitamins, Acetaminophen, Ibuprofen, Antibiotic Cream or Ointment, Allergy medicine, such as Benedryl or Zyrtec, Amoxicillin for children or adults, Robitussin, Zicam cough medicine, Zantac, Prevacid, Prilosec (heartburn) Lisinopril, Imodium, Mefform, Oral Rehydration Salts, Antifungal creams, Lorin. If you have any questions please see Carolyn or Dave Fegally.

**UNITY CHRISTIAN MUSIC FESTIVAL** - Affordable Family Event this summer! August 9-12. Some guests will be, 10th Avenue North, Toby Mac, Matthew West, Casting Crowns, Carrollton, Zach Williams, and Matthew West.. Discounted tickets available in the Church Office. \$25 for 1 day, \$45 for 3 day and \$175 for 3 day Family Pass.

**ANNUAL CHURCH CAMPING TRIP** - August 11th -13th at Fort Custer. Each family needs to reserve their own campsite on line.

**UPCOMING SUMMER CAMPS AT BAIR LAKE** - We have information at the Welcome Center for the following summer camps: Kids 8-11 years old, camps available June 25 - July 1 or June 25- 28 or June 28- July 1. Middle school camp grades 6 - 8 July 16 - 22.

**FOOD PANTRY** - Help others in need of food. See Krista Asher or Lynn Anderson.

**VISIT** [www.12thstreetbaptist.net](http://www.12thstreetbaptist.net) for sermons, bulletin, events and other updated information.

**MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST** - Tuesday 8:30am at McDonald's on 9th Street.

**AWANMA** - Wednesday @ 6pm.

**YOUTH GROUP** - Sunday 5-7pm.

**Nurses**

23 Asher and Arianna  
30 Bekka W, Tami S, Nate Thompson