

Sureway Christian Centre Statement of Faith

As members of the Assemblies of God church, we affirm the Statement of Faith of the Assemblies of God in the UK (1 Corinthians 1:10).

- We believe the Bible (the Old and New Testaments, excluding the Apocrypha) is the inspired Word of God. It is infallible and the all-sufficient rule for faith and practice (2 Timothy 3:15-16; 2 Peter 1:21).

- We believe in one true and living God existing eternally as three Persons - Father, Son and Holy Spirit. He is the eternal, self-existent "I AM" (Deuteronomy 6:4; Mark 12:29; Matthew 28:19; 2 Corinthians 13:14).

- We believe in the virgin birth, sinless life, miraculous ministry, substitutionary atoning death, bodily resurrection, triumphant ascension, and abiding intercession of the Lord Jesus Christ. We believe in His personal, visible, bodily return in power and glory as the blessed hope of all believers (Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:23; Hebrews 7:26; 1 Peter 2:22; Acts 2:22, 10:38; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Hebrews 9:12; Luke 24:39; 1 Corinthians 15:4; Acts 1:9; Ephesians 4:8-10; Romans 8:34; Hebrews 7:25; 1 Corinthians 15:22-24, 51-57; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Revelation 20:1-6).

- We believe humanity fell through voluntary disobedience. Humans were created pure and upright (Genesis 1:26-31, 3:1-7; Romans 5:12-21).

- We believe we are saved by faith in Christ. According to Scripture, Christ died for our sins, was buried, and rose again on the third day. Through His blood, we have redemption (Titus 2:11, 3:5-7; Romans 10:8-15; 1 Corinthians 15:3-4). This experience is also known as being born again by the instantaneous and complete operation of the Holy Spirit upon believing in Jesus (John 3:5-6; James 1:18; 1 Peter 1:23; 1 John 5:1).

- We believe all who have truly repented and believed in Christ as Lord and Savior should be baptised by immersion in water (Matthew 28:19; Acts 10:47-48; Acts 2:38-39).

- We believe in baptism in the Holy Spirit, empowering the believer with power for service. Biblical evidence is speaking in tongues as the Spirit enables (Acts 1:4-5, 8, 2:4, 10:44-46, 11:14-16, 19:6).
- We believe in the operation of the gifts of the Holy Spirit and the gifts of Christ in the Church today (1 Corinthians 12:4-11, 28; Ephesians 4:7-16).
- We believe in living a holy life in obedience to God's commands (1 Peter 1:14-16; Hebrews 12:14; 1 Thessalonians 5:23; 1 John 2:6).
- We believe healing is provided in Christ's atonement. Healing from sickness by divine means (Isaiah 53:4-5; Matthew 8:16-17; James 5:13-16).
- We believe all who have truly repented and believe in Christ as Lord and Saviour should regularly participate in the Breaking of Bread (Luke 22:14-20; 1 Corinthians 11:20-34).
- We believe in the bodily resurrection of all people, the eternal joy of those who believe in Jesus, and the eternal punishment of those not named in the Book of Life (Daniel 12:2-3; John 5:28-29, 1 Corinthians 15:22-24; Matthew 25:46; 2 Thessalonians 1:9; Revelation 20:10-15).